

Red Fern Feis

Presented by Encore Performing Society, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
& McCafferty Academy of Irish Dance

Saturday, April 29th 2023

Location: Chota Conference Center

3307 Seven Clans Ave

Tahlequah, OK 74434

Accommodations:

True by Hilton

3457 Cherokee Springs Rd, Tahlequah, OK. 74464

Holiday Inn Express

2142 Mahaney Ave, Tahlequah, OK 74464

For Room Block please mention: Irish Dance Tahlequah

Register via www.feisworx.com

Schedule:

Dancing competitions begin at 8:00 AM

Championship dancers will compete oldest to youngest

Second chance competitions for Novice, Prizewinner and Preliminary Championship

Dan and Ann Special

Hoe Down Throw Down Special

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 7, 2023

LATE ENTRY DEADLINE WITH ADDITIONAL \$25 FEE: April 17, 2023

Grade exams will be offered on Friday evening at Academy of Performing Arts (17328 S Muskogee Ave Tahlequah, OK 74464).

Fees			
Family Fee	\$25	2 Hand Dan and Ann Special	\$15
Solos /Second Chance Solo	\$12	Non Champ Trad Set Special	\$15
Preliminary Championships	\$50	Champ Trad Set Special	\$15
Open Championships	\$50	Treble Reel Special	\$15
Adult Championships	\$50	Late Fee	\$25
Second Chance Preliminary Championship	\$50	Changes Day of Feis	\$40

First Feis:

The First Feis level has been established for dancers who are competing in their very first Feis. Once a dancer competes in the First Feis category, the dancer must move into Beginner 1 or Beginner 2. AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed)

Dancers competing in the First Feis category are limited to participating in the First Feis Category ONLY

Girls	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	O11
Reel	105RL	106RL	107RL	108RL	109RL	110RL	111RL	112RL
Light Jig	105LJ	106LJ	107LJ	108LJ	109LJ	110LJ	111LJ	112LJ
Single Jig	105SN	106SN	107SN	108SN	109SN	110SN	111SN	112SN
Slip Jig	105SJ	106SJ	107SJ	108SJ	109SJ	110SJ	111SJ	112SJ
Boys	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	O11
Reel	155RL	156RL	157RL	158RL	159RL	160RL	161RL	162RL
Light Jig	155LJ	156LJ	157LJ	158LJ	159LJ	160LJ	161LJ	162LJ
Single Jig	155SN	156SN	157SN	158SN	159SN	160SN	161SN	162SN

Beginner 1:

A dancer who has been dancing for less than one year. A Beginner 1 must move to Beginner 2 no later than January 1st of the dancer's second year of instruction, or may move to Beginner 2 earlier with teacher's permission and provided that the Feis has not closed to changes. Note: a Beginner 1 dancer who starts in September, may continue as a Beginner 1 until December of the following year (16 months) before moving into Beginner 2.

AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed)

Girls	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	O12
Reel	205RL	206RL	207RL	208RL	209RL	210RL	211RL	212RL	213RL
Light Jig	205LJ	206LJ	207LJ	208LJ	209LJ	210LJ	211LJ	212LJ	213LJ
Single Jig	205SN	206SN	207SN	208SN	209SN	210SN	211SN	212SN	213SN
Slip Jig	205SJ	206SJ	207SJ	208SJ	209SJ	210SJ	211SJ	212SJ	213SJ
Boys	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	O12
Reel	255RL	256RL	257RL	258RL	259RL	260RL	261RL	262RL	263RL
Light Jig	255LJ	256LJ	257LJ	258LJ	259LJ	260LJ	261LJ	262LJ	263LJ
Single Jig	255SN	256SN	257SN	258SN	259SN	260SN	261SN	262SN	263SN

Beginner 2:

A dancer who has been dancing for more than one year and who has not won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place as Beginner 2 dancer. A dancer who has won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in a Beginner 2 dance must move into Novice in that dance no later than January 1st of the next calendar year or with teacher's permission as soon as the next Feis (if said Feis has not closed to changes).

AT THIS LEVEL, DANCERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SOLO COSTUMES (only school costumes are allowed). ALL HARD SHOE DANCES ARE PERFORMED AT TRADITIONAL SPEEDS

Girls	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	O13
Reel	306RL	307RL	308RL	309RL	310RL	311RL	312RL	313RL	314RL
Light Jig	306LJ	307LJ	308LJ	309LJ	310LJ	311LJ	312LJ	313LJ	314LJ
Single Jig	306SN	307SN	308SN	309SN	310SN	311SN	312SN	313SN	314SN
Slip Jig	306SJ	307SJ	308SJ	309SJ	310SJ	311SJ	312SJ	313SJ	314SJ
Treble Jig	306TJ	307TJ	308TJ	309TJ	310TJ	311TJ	312TJ	313TJ	314TJ
Hornpipe	306HP	307HP	308HP	309HP	310HP	311HP	312HP	313HP	314HP
Boys	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	O13
Reel	356RL	357RL	358RL	359RL	360RL	361RL	362RL	363RL	364RL
Light Jig	356LJ	357LJ	358LJ	359LJ	360LJ	361LJ	362LJ	363LJ	364LJ
Single Jig	356SN	357SN	358SN	359SN	360SN	361SN	362SN	363SN	364SN
Treble Jig	356TJ	357TJ	358TJ	359TJ	360TJ	361TJ	362TJ	363TJ	364TJ
Hornpipe	356HP	357HP	358HP	359HP	360HP	361HP	362HP	363HP	364HP

Novice:

A dancer moves into Novice as a result of placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in that dance as indicated in Beginner 2. A dancer who wins 1st in a Novice dance must move into Prizewinner level in that dance no later than January 1st of the next calendar year or with teacher's permission as soon as the next feis (if said feis has not closed to changes).

*ALL HARD SHOES DANCES CAN BE DONE AT EITHER TRADITIONAL SPEED OR SLOW SPEED

Girls	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	O15
Reel	407RL	408RL	409RL	410RL	411RL	412RL	413RL	414RL	415RL	416RL
Light Jig	407LJ	408LJ	409LJ	410LJ	411LJ	412LJ	413LJ	414LJ	415LJ	416LJ
Single Jig	407SN	408SN	409SN	410SN	411SN	412SN	413SN	414SN	415SN	416SN
Slip Jig	407SJ	408SJ	409SJ	410SJ	411SJ	412SJ	413SJ	414SJ	415SJ	416SJ
Treble Jig	407TJ	408TJ	409TJ	410TJ	411TJ	412TJ	413TJ	414TJ	415TJ	416TJ
Hornpipe	407HP	408HP	409HP	410HP	411HP	412HP	413HP	414HP	415HP	416HP
2nd chance										
Reel	407RL2	408RL2	409RL2	410RL2	411RL2	412RL2	413RL2	414RL2	415RL2	416RL2
Slip Jig	407SJ2	408SJ2	409SJ2	410SJ2	411SJ2	412SJ2	413SJ2	414SJ2	415SJ2	416SJ2
Treble Jig	407TJ2	408TJ2	409TJ2	410TJ2	411TJ2	412TJ2	413TJ2	414TJ2	415TJ2	416TJ2
Hornpipe	407HP2	408HP2	409HP2	410HP2	411HP2	412HP2	413HP2	414HP2	415HP2	416HP2
Boys	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	O15
Reel	457RL	458RL	459RL	460RL	461RL	462RL	463RL	464RL	465RL	466RL
Light Jig	457LJ	458LJ	459LJ	460LJ	461LJ	462LJ	463LJ	464LJ	465LJ	466LJ
Single Jig	457SN	458SN	459SN	460SN	461SN	462SN	463SN	464SN	465SN	466SN
Treble Jig	457TJ	458TJ	459TJ	460TJ	461TJ	462TJ	463TJ	464TJ	465TJ	466TJ
Hornpipe	457HP	458HP	459HP	460HP	461HP	462HP	463HP	464HP	465HP	466HP
2nd chance										
Reel	457RL2	458RL2	459RL2	460RL2	461RL2	462RL2	463RL2	464RL2	465RL2	466RL2
Treble Jig	457TJ2	458TJ2	459TJ2	460TJ2	461TJ2	462TJ2	463TJ2	464TJ2	465TJ2	466TJ2
Hornpipe	457HP2	458HP2	459HP2	460HP2	461HP2	462HP2	463HP2	464HP2	465HP2	466HP2

Prizewinner:

A dancer moves into Prizewinner as a result of placing 1st place as indicated in Novice.

***ALL HARD SHOES DANCES MUST BE DANCED IN SLOW SPEED**

Girls	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	O15
Reel	507RL	508RL	509RL	510RL	511RL	512RL	513RL	514RL	515RL	516RL
Slip Jig	507SJ	508SJ	509SJ	510SJ	511SJ	512SJ	513SJ	514SJ	515SJ	516SJ
Treble Jig	507TJ	508TJ	509TJ	510TJ	511TJ	512TJ	513TJ	514TJ	515TJ	516TJ
Hornpipe	507HP	508HP	509HP	510HP	511HP	512HP	513HP	514HP	515HP	516HP
2nd chance										
Reel	507RL2	508RL2	509RL2	510RL2	511RL2	512RL2	513RL2	514RL2	515RL2	516RL2
Slip Jig	507SJ2	508SJ2	509SL2	510SL2	511SL2	512SL2	513SL2	514SL2	515SL2	516SL2
Treble Jig	507TJ2	508TJ2	509TJ2	510TJ2	511TJ2	512TJ2	513TJ2	514TJ2	515TJ2	516TJ2
Hornpipe	507HP2	508HP2	509HP2	510HP2	511HP2	512HP2	513HP2	514HP2	515HP2	516HP2
Boys	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	O15
Reel	557RL	558RL	559RL	560RL	561RL	562RL	563RL	564RL	565RL	566RL
Treble Jig	557TJ	558TJ	559TJ	560TJ	561TJ	562TJ	563TJ	564TJ	565TJ	566TJ
Hornpipe	557HP	558HP	559HP	560HP	561HP	562HP	563HP	564HP	565HP	566HP
2nd Chance										
Reel	557RL2	558RL2	559RL2	560RL2	561RL2	562RL2	563RL2	564RL2	565RL2	566RL2
Treble Jig	557TJ2	558TJ2	559TJ2	560TJ2	561TJ2	562TJ2	563TJ2	564TJ2	565TJ2	566TJ2
Hornpipe	557HP2	558HP2	559HP2	560HP2	561HP2	562HP2	563HP2	564HP2	565HP2	566HP2

Adults:

	Beginner 1	Beginner 2	Novice	Prizewinner
Reel	299RL	399RL	499RL	599RL
Light Jig	299LJ	399LJ	499LJ	599LJ
Single Jig	299SN	399SN	499SN	599SN
Slip Jig	299SJ	399SJ	499SJ	599SJ
Treble Jig	299TJ	399TJ	499TJ	599TJ
Hornpipe	299HP	399HP	499HP	599HP

Adult Champs/Masters

Adult Championships	699AC
Adult Masters Preliminary	799MP
Adult Masters Open	799MO

Adult Championships Requirements: Choice of Reel or Slip Jig, Treble Jig or Hornpipe, and Traditional Set. Adults may register for Championship and Solo competition in their respective age level.

Adult Masters Preliminary Requirements: Choice of Reel or Slip Jig, Treble Jig or Hornpipe.

Adult Masters Open Requirements: Choice of Reel or Slip Jig, Treble Jig or Hornpipe, and Contemporary Set Dance

Preliminary Championships:

	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	O17
Preliminary Championship	609PC	610PC	611PC	612PC	613PC	614PC	615PC	616PC	617PC	618PC
2nd Chance	609PC2	610PC2	611PC2	612PC2	613PC2	614PC2	615PC2	616PC2	617PC2	618PC2

Requirement: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars) and Treble Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars)

Open Championship:

	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19	O19
Open Championship	709OC	710OC	711OC	712OC	713OC	714OC	715OC	716OC	717OC	718OC	719OC	720OC

Requirement: Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars) and Treble Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 bars) and any non-traditional set dance, *U9 dances Traditional Set.

Specials

Dan and Ann 2-Hand reel trophy special for all levels.

Dancers must complete 48 bars to a reel music. No special attire is required.

U12	12 & Over	Adults	Family 2-Hand
801	802	803	804

Hoedown Throwdown Treble Reel special for all levels

Dancers must perform 16 bars of treble reel to the music specific for each age group. Music will be announced on our Facebook page/website. 16 bars may be performed as an individual or in a group. Dress in your favorite Western attire. This competition will be at the end of all competitions on Saturday. Sign up and pay side stage. All proceeds from this competition will go toward the scholarship fund for Encore Performing Society. Awards will be announced on stage.

U10	U13	13 & Over	Adults
805	806	807	808

Non-Champ Traditional Set Special:

Dancer`s choice of Traditional Set. All dances will be performed at traditional speed.

U12	12 and Over	Adults
812	813	814

Championship Level Traditional Set Special:

Choice of Traditional Set for PC/OC dancers. All dances will be performed at traditional speed.

U12	12 and Over	Adults
815	816	817

SOUTHERN REGIONAL DANCING COMPETITION RULES

1. In the case of all solo and team competitions in all grades, the age of a competitor on 1st January of the year in which the competition is held will determine the right of entry. For the purposes of this Rule a competitor whose birthday occurs on 1st January shall be deemed to be under the age attained on that date.
2. Competitions are open to all but those holding a TMRF, TCRG, or ADCRG designation. A feis can only accept entries from pupils of teachers registered with An Coimisiun and registered with both the IDTANA and the North American region in which they reside.
3. A competitor may be disqualified for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Conduct unbecoming a lady or gentleman.
 - b. Failure to report on time to compete. (Penalty: disqualification from said event)
 - c. Falsification of age or other important facts – i.e., teaching, award winning, competing under another competitor’s name or number, etc.Penalty for (a) or (c): Competitor will be disqualified from the Feis at which the occurrence happened and from all registered Feiseanna for a period of one year beginning at the date of the occurrence.
4. Competitions may be closed if there are no competitors at the assigned stage ready to compete when the competition is scheduled or announced. This does not pertain to a situation where competitors are involved in stage conflicts, and such conflicts will be handled by the stage monitor.
5. Steel taps or “bubble” heels on dancing shoes and any display of awards is prohibited. Authentic Gaelic dress is desired.
6. First Feis (if offered), Beginner and Advanced Beginner, aka Beginner I and II, must wear a class costume, or a skirt/pants and top. All other categories are excluded from this rule. Modest attire is encouraged when a competitor is not dancing.
7. Competitor’s number must be worn and visible to adjudicators when performing in all competitions. Use of reflective plastic number covers is discouraged.
8. The number of awards given is determined by the Feis Committee and is based on the scores and ranks given by the adjudicator(s).
9. Complaints must be in writing stating names and other factual information and signed by the complainant. A \$50.00 fee must be enclosed and presented to the Feis Chairman within one hour of the occurrence. The fee will be returned if the complaint is upheld.
10. The Feis Committee and any organization affiliated with same, will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage. Destruction of Feis property and/or rental property will be punishable by law.
11. The Feis reserves the right to reject any entry for cause, to cancel all or part of the Feis and to limit competitor’s performing time. The decision of the Feis Committee is final in all matters connected with the Feis.
12. All Feiseanna must have a process to allow parents to request that their child or children’s name(s) not be listed on the posted competitor list prior to the day of the Feis.
13. Competitors must answer all questions as required by the Feis Entry committee, including teacher’s name, and include the entry fee for entry to be accepted. Failure to do so will result in a rejected entry. Entries must be received on or before the closing date or they will be subject to a late fee of _____ (Determined by the Feis).
14. With the exception of First Feis and Beginner 1 the status of the dancer does not change unless there are five or more dancers in the competition.
15. Photography
 - a. With the exception of First Feis, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 (or their equivalent), photography of any kind which has the capability of capturing a dancer’s image while in motion is strictly forbidden.
 - b. A Feis may elect to allow in motion photography for publicity purposes, but the pictures are considered the sole property of the Feis and solely for Feis use only; these are not to be used for personal gain through commercial use or sale, and under no circumstances can they be published on any website or other areas, without the express written permission of the persons involved.
 - c. Additionally, a professional photographer may be formally contracted by a Feis to capture non-motion photographs, such as portrait photography, awards ceremonies, etc. and/or in motion photography provided it is taken at a vendor station or suitable

location:

- i. away from the dancing stages and,
 - ii. requested by a consenting parent, guardian, or dancer (over the age of 18).
16. No block, en Pointe, toe walking movements, stationary or moving is allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group. However, after September 1 of each year an exception is made for those dancers who are 11 dancing in the under 12 age group.
17. No substance that can become airborne should be used on any dance floor in an attempt to improve traction.
18. Respect for fellow competitors on stage is a requirement at all times. Lack of respect or courtesy for fellow competitors by aggressive dancing on stage will be subject to penalty at the discretion of each individual adjudicator.

GRADE LEVEL RULES

1. Solo competitors in First Feis (if offered), Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Novice or Open (Prizewinner), Adult and Master competitions:
 - a. Must compete in their own age group.
 - b. Must be prepared to perform two steps in each event.
2. With the exception of First Feis and Beginner 1, a dancer's level is determined in each dance (Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip-Jig, Hornpipe, Treble Jig, and Traditional Set). Traditional Set Dances are limited to those dances determined by An Coimisiun Le Rince Gaelacha as traditional set dances.
3. A Feis Committee may combine competitions if there are less than 5 competitors entered as follows:
 - a. Two consecutive age groups, combined into the higher of the two groups, within that grade.
 - b. Three consecutive age groups, combined into the highest age group, within that grade.
 - c. All Boys' grades competitions shall be initially entered in single year age groups within that grade.
 - d. If there are less than 5 Boys entered in any one age group within that grade, competitions may be combined in the following order:
 - i. Double, All Boys, age group into the higher of the two groups within that grade
 - ii. If a double, All Boys age group does not create 5 or more entries, the Boys shall be combined into the corresponding single year Girls' age group.
 - iii. If the combined Boys and Girls age group still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined as stated in rule #2 above.
 - e. 100 and 200 level competitions may be combined as follows:
 - i. Ages under 8 and below, CANNOT be combined with other age groups within that grade, but Boys and Girls may be combined in the corresponding single year Girls' age group within that grade.
 - ii. Ages under 9 and above may first be combined into 2 consecutive age groups within that grade. If the combined competition still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined using rules 2, 3 and 4 above.
4. Each region may determine the system for moving dancers from one grade to another, as they see appropriate for their region.
5. The syllabus is to contain all grade categories.
6. Competitors have the option to remain in the same category for the remainder of the Feis year.
7. A dancer, at the discretion of the teacher, may move into the next Grade (not Open Championships) without satisfying the requirements. However, once a dancer competes in the higher level, they can never move back to a lower category, (except as outlined in Rule 1, above).
8. Grade Levels
 - a. **First Feis:** A dancer who has never competed in a Feis. A dancer can only be in this category for a single day and cannot compete at any other level in the Feis. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - b. **Beginner I (Beginner) Grade:** A beginner is a competitor who has not yet taken a full year of Irish Dance lessons, thereby giving beginners a full year with such status. A Beginner must move into the Beginner 2/Advanced Beginner category the next year. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - c. **Beginner 2 (Advanced Beginner) Grade:** An advanced beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance. Competition dances are reel, light jig, slip jig, traditional treble jig and traditional hornpipe, as a minimum requirement. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - d. **Novice Grade:** A novice who wins a 1st place will advance to the Open (Prizewinner) category in that particular dance. In Novice competitions with 20 or more dancers, a dancer who wins 1st or 2nd place in a dance will advance to the Open/PW

category in that particular dance (Dec 2012)

- e. **Open Prizewinner Grade:** A competitor who does not qualify as a beginner, advanced beginner or as a novice.
- f. **Adult:** An Adult dancer is defined as any dancer who started Irish dancing at the age of 18 or older OR any dancer 18 or older who has not competed in at least five years in a youth competition AND has never placed in the top three in a youth Preliminary championship competition of more than five competitors.

9. First Feis (if offered), Beginner I, and Beginner 2 are required to dance at traditional speeds. Novice and Open/Prizewinner dancers may choose between traditional and Oireachtas speeds.

10. The following dance speeds must be adhered to;

	First Feis	Beginner 1	Beginner 2	Novice	Prizewinner
Reel	122	122	122	113	113
Light Jig	115	115	115	115	115
Slip Jig	122	122	122	113	113
Single Jig	124	124	124	124	124
Treble Jig			92	73/92	73/92
Hornpipe			138	113/138	113/138

Traditional Sets	Traditional Speed
St. Patrick's Day	94
Blackbird	144
Job of the Journeywork	138
Three Sea Captains	96
Garden of Daisies	138
Jockey to the Fair	90
King of the Fairies	130

11. First Feis, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 perform only basic steps to coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.

12. Dancers competing in the First Feis category are limited to participating in the First Feis Category only.

CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL RULES

1. First place winners in the Open Championship category cannot return to a Preliminary or Open (Prizewinner) competition. Placing in a Regional or National Oireachtas does not change the status of a competitor. A dancer who moves into Open Championship must stay a minimum of 2 years. If after 2 years they have not placed they are allowed to return to Preliminary. An Open Championship dancer who places is not allowed to return to Preliminary until 2 years after their last placement. The regional syllabus where the Feis is being held may have different qualifications for entry.

2. Entrants in any Championship event may not enter in any other (Grade) events, but may enter in Figure Dances and Specials, ie Treble Reel Competition, etc.

- a. Dancers must qualify for Open Championship via the method now in place for Preliminary Championship, i.e. two 1st place wins.

b. Dancers must compete in the Preliminary Championship competition in order to qualify for Open Championship

3. Preliminary Championships

a. Are open to those who at any CLRG-registered Feis:

- i. Have placed 1st in both an Open (Prizewinner) light and heavy shoe competitions and
- ii. Have never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship.

b. A dancer who lives in the Southern Region and who wins 1st place in a second Preliminary Championship Competition in any Region MAY move up to Open Championship Competitions immediately, at the discretion of their dancing teacher.

c. A dancer who lives in the Southern Region when they win 1st place in a second Preliminary Championship competition MUST move up to Open Championship Competitions no later than the one calendar year anniversary of the second Preliminary Championship win.

d. Preliminary Championship competitions with 26 or more competitors may be split in half according to age. * In Preliminary Championships-Separate boys into a separate competition if there are five (5) or more boys entered in a specific competition within a single age a group.

A Southern region feis may choose to combine boys and girls in Open Championship competitions when there are less than 5 dancers registered in a particular age category. However, if three (3) or more boys are entered in a specific age group in a combined Open Championship competition, the boys and girls MUST be split into separate competitions. If separate Boys and Girls competitions in Open Championships are offered in the syllabus, they may NOT be combined under ANY circumstances on the day of the Feis

4. One of the following statements MUST be in the feis syllabus:

a. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls will NOT be combined.

OR

b. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls WILL be combined.

5. The boys' open championship age categories will match the girls' open championship age categories.

6. Every competitor in Preliminary or Open Championship must have a minimum of 8 rotations or 10 minutes between each of their rounds.

7. In the event the same organization is running 2 feis' in one weekend the following must occur:

- a. On championship competitions, 2/3 of adjudicators must be different from the previous day.
- b. 2nd chance competitions may only be offered on one feis.

FIGURE/CEILI TEAM RULES

1. Teachers or team captains are responsible that their teams are complete and in position when the competition is announced.

a. There are no restrictions on figure age groups

b. Figure age groups will be determined by the oldest dancer.

c. 8 hand teams are allowed to repeat dancers at all Southern Region feiseanna in accordance with the World and Regional Oireachtas rules.

2. The length of 2 hand and 3 hand dances in competition are to be 48 bars of music plus an 8 bar introduction.

3. Only dancers who meet the definition of "Adult dancer" may compete in Adult Ceili competitions. Masters level solo dancers competing in a Ceili must compete in the Youth Ceili categories.

4. In the event that the same organization is running 2 feiseanna in one weekend, the following may occur: Figure and Ceili competitions may be offered at only one of the feis' on that weekend.

ADJUDICATORS & MUSICIANS

1. Musicians and adjudicators cannot be approached during a competition by anyone except the Feis Committee. No one can approach them while a competitor is performing.
2. Musicians employed by the Feis Committee will be solely under the direction and management of the Feis Committee on Feis day.
3. In matters pertaining to adjudication, the decision of the adjudicators is final.
4. Adjudicators are to monitor the quality of music at the stage(s) to which they are assigned.
5. Open Championships and Preliminary Championships require at least three adjudicators.
6. Each Feis is required to list their adjudicators on their syllabus and/or website at least three weeks before the close of entries, one-third of which are to be from outside the region where the Feis is being held.

COSTUME RULES

1. Make up is prohibited on a dancer in the first three grades (First Feis (if offered), Beginner I and Beginner 2 or their equivalent) up to and including the under 12 age group. Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.

Clarification: Both make up rules refer to the age group of the competition, not the actual age of the dancer. For example, 9 year old dancers, competing in a team that is entered Under 12, may wear make-up or at a feis where the youngest Open Championship age group is Under 11, then all dancers in that competition may wear make-up. These rules must also be announced from side stage at the event. Participants should be reminded that should they be in breach of these rules and be required to remove their make-up, that they risk missing their rotation in the competition.
2. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same, will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed aids (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this rule.
3. Competitors in competitions at the First Feis (if offered), Beginner I and Beginner 2 Grade will wear only the competitor's dancing school costume or a skirt/pants and top.
4. Costume Length: Length of costumes must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps. Adjudicators who determine a costume to be too short or to lack modesty may ask a competitor to change into black tights (of a denier not less than 70 per cent) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition.
5. When wearing body suits with skirts (commonly known as black-out attire) black tights (of a denier less than 70) must be worn from the age of 14 and above. Effective date: 1st February, 2020

MODESTY RULES

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Changing costumes, dressing and undressing of dancers will not be acceptable in the halls or public areas. For the sake of modesty and in the interests of safety of young people, dancers will not be permitted to walk around the feis scantily dressed.

Respect for fellow competitors on stage is a requirement at all times.

Lack of respect or courtesy for fellow competitors by aggressive dancing on stage will be subject to penalty at the discretion of each individual adjudicator.

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Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage. Dancers wearing undergarments that do not cover the areas of the body as in the illustrated example will be asked to put on black tights of a denier of not less than 70%. This is monitored by the adjudicator. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator all adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights. (Effective March 1, 2022)

The Feis WILL NOT give any refunds for any reason including consequences for violations of these rules.

Feis Specific rules:

Fees:

Competitors must answer all questions as required by the Feis Entry committee, including teacher's name, and enclose the entry fee when mailing. Failure to do so will result in a reject of the entry. Payment date for the feis is actual date of electronic payment (or postmark date if mailed). Late payments fees are as follows. None if paid on or before April 7, 2023. Late fee of \$25 per individual (\$75 max per family). Payments for corrections to an entry are not subject to late fees.

Maximum competition fee per family is \$150,*excluding specials competitions, non-dance competitions, 2nd Chance Preliminary competitions, dancer level changes, sales, late fees, and Family fee. The Family Fee for the Feis is \$25.

Personal Results are included and will be available Online only. Results will be posted after the feis. Awards must be picked up at the feis. Awards will not be mailed.