

Competition Rules & Guidelines

ENTRIES CLOSE:

Rockingham 1st September 2023 (unless sold out prior)

AGE LIMITS AND CATEGORIES:

Ages cutoffs are applicable as of **30th June 2023** and divisions are as follow:



- 4 and under
- 6 and under
- 8 and under
- 10 and under
- 12 and under
- 14 and under
- 16 and under
- 17 and over

Open and Novice categories will be offered in all solo divisions. In the case that **competitors are against themselves** due to their age or category SNS **may combine** the dancer into another **section relevant** to the style of dance they have registered for.

OPEN CLASSIFICATION: If any dancer has won first place at any competition in the same genre prior to SNS competition entry closing, the dancer **MUST** compete in an open section.

NOVICE CLASSIFICATION: Only dancers who have not won first place at a competition in the same genre prior to SNS competition entry closing are able to enter the Novice division.

UNCLASSIFIED SECTIONS: All 4/u genres will compete in the unclassified sections. Unclassified sections do not apply to any other age group.

INDIVIDUAL AND STUDIO ENTRIES:

Individual & Studio entries are both accepted. Please note an **individual entry does not include free entry for parents assisting** dancers on and off stage. The parent will need to purchase a ticket online prior to the event.

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MUSIC:

Music must be submitted via email before the 10 days before in MP3 format. Changes to music after this date will incur a \$10.00 fee per track.

TIME LIMITS:

Time limits may not exceed 3 mins per solo, duo, Trio or quartet and 3 mins and 30 secs per troupe routine a time violations will incur a five point deduction off the routines total score.



PROPS:

All props must be dropped to the back stage area at the Theatre thirty minutes prior to the commencement of the session and removed immediately after the dancer has performed or at the end of the session to allow space for the the next session.

PERFORMANCE DIFFICULTIES:

If a dancer commences a dance, then stops for any reason other than a technical fault on behalf of SNS, then the dancer is able to dance again at the end of the section.

Dancers who do not appear when scheduled to perform may perform at the end of the section.

However if either of the above situations were to occur, the dancers mark will not count towards the top 3 in that section or towards overall awards such as champion dancer. Dancers will still receive a participation medal & report card for the section.

BACK & SIDE STAGE:

Only dancers and one allocated teacher or parent will be allowed back/side stage. Dancers who require props will need this allocated helper to take props on and off stage. NO additional parents, infants/toddlers or siblings are permitted to come back/side stage.

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APPROACHING THE ADJUDICATORS:

If at any time the adjudicators are approached by any dancer, teacher or family member/spectator before or during the competition this will result in immediate disqualification to the dancer(s) from that particular studio or family involved.

PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY:

Recording or taking photos of any dance performance by anyone other than the official Photographer & Videographer is not permitted. Anyone caught failing to comply will result in the dancer associated with that person being disqualified from that session.

CANCELLATION, REFUNDS & RESCHEDULING:

Any dancer withdrawing from the competition after registration and payment is complete but before entries close, will be given a 50% refund of the entry fee or a 100% credit for future SNS comps. In the event of the competition not taking place for reasons out of SNS's control, the entrant can either accept a 50% refund, take part in an alternative online competition which will run the following month or accept a 100% credit for a future SNS comp.

Failure to adhere to competition guidelines may result in disqualification or a deduction of five points from the dancers routine in that particular session.



Code Of Conduct

SNS takes pride in being a family event that's inclusive & supportive in all aspects. Actions that are inappropriate, unfriendly or unsportsmanlike by students, teachers and parents/spectators will not be accepted and a zero tolerance policy for rude & aggressive behaviour will be enforced. Music with inappropriate lyrics will not be accepted. Conscious thought must be given towards choreography & costuming to maintain a family feel to the event. SNS staff reserve the right to remove the person(s) involved, give deductions or disqualify at any time they see fit.