

The Philippine StarBall

Open International Ballroom Dance Championship



GENERAL RULES

The 1st Philippine Star Ball is conducted under the rules and regulations governing competitions and championships of the Council of United Professional Dance Teachers of the Philippines, Inc. The following rules shall also apply:

1. Competitors may take part in one or more events. Competitors participating in the Pre-Teen, Junior, Under 21 and Pre-Amateur do not qualify for the Beginner's events.
2. No change of partner is allowed in the same event.
3. All competitors must be dressed in appropriate costumes. (See rules on costume attire)
4. All competitors must attend rehearsals or meetings requested by the organizer.
5. The Organizer reserves the right to refuse any entries or admittance into the ballroom.
6. The Organizer reserves the right to change the program of events.
7. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entertained.
8. "No responsibility for loss or theft of articles left in changing rooms, performance or seating areas, can be accepted by the Organizer, Council of United Professional Dance Teachers of the Philippines Inc or by the Games and Amusement Board and neither can they be held liable for injury sustained by persons attending this event. Everyone attending does so at his or her own risk."
9. "All persons attending this event, whether as spectators or as competitors or as officials or guests of the organizers, shall be bound by the Council of United Professional Dance Teachers of the Philippines Inc Rules and Regulations and by participating in this event automatically become obliged to adhere to them."
10. For Professional events identified by the word "Open" or "Open to the World", competitors from any country affiliated with the World Dance Council (WDC) may participate. Competitors from countries not affiliated with WDC should contact the organizers for clarification.
11. Competitors entering amateur events must be registered with the official IDSF recognized amateur organization of their country of residence.
12. All local competitors must be registered with the Council of United Professional Dance Teachers of the Philippines Inc. Fee is P1, 000.

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13. In any professional, pro-am or amateur division with fewer than three (3) couples entered, the Organizers reserve the right to cancel the event. Competitors will be duly notified in advance of such cancellation.

14. Video taping of any event is strictly prohibited except for the official video company as designated by the Organizer. The Organizer has the right to confiscate camcorders/cell phones of individuals breaking this rule.

15. Age Division:

Pre-Teen – Competitors who are 12 years old and younger before February 16, 2008
Pre-Teen competitors may dance up one age classification to the junior category. All pre-Teen competitors will be required to present a copy of their birth certificate.

Junior – Competitors who are 13, 14, or 15 years old

Under 21 – Competitors who are 16, 17, 18, 19 or 20 years old.

16. The Pro-Am division is defined as one registered/licensed Professional dancing with his or her Amateur student. The amateur student is someone who is not earning from his/her dancing whether in terms of teaching or as a hired dance partner.

17. The Age bracket division in the Pro-Am categories is as follows:

A – Age is from 18 to 35

B – Age is from 36 and up

18. No couple is exempt from competing in any round of a Championship event. Any couple who fails to appear at the scheduled time for the first round of any event will be disqualified from the event.

19. The top teacher is given awarded to local teachers. 1 point is given to every student registered under a teacher. Every student that reaches the finals receives the following corresponding points:

5 points – First Place

4 points – Second Place

3 points – Third Place

2 points – Fourth Place

1 point – Fifth, Sixth to Seventh Places

All points will be added up. The teacher that receives the highest number of points will be awarded the top teacher award.

20. in the hip-hop category, there must have a minimum of 6 (six) persons in a group. A maximum of 3 minutes is given for each group to dance. No props are allowed in their routine.