

2017 NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. This competition is conducted under the SOBHD rules as adopted by the ABHDI.
2. Australian dancers must be currently registered with their State or Regional Committees to be eligible to dance in this competition. Overseas dancers must be currently registered with their relevant SOBHD registration body.
3. Dancers must quote their registration number on the entry form, but registration card must not be sent with entries. Registration card must be brought to the competition to be produced on request.
4. Refunds will only be made if event is cancelled or doctor's certificate provided.
5. If necessary, events may be combined and ages altered to suit entries received. In accordance with an ABHDI ruling, competitors may only enter eight dances on any one day – premierships dances and trophy dances must be included.
6. **RESTRICTED PREMIER RULING:** Open to those dancers who have not placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd overall in an Open Championship and who have not been placed in this event (Special Swords) previously.
7. Age will be taken as at date of competition. Where age is in dispute, registration card must be produced.
8. Competitors entering events when ineligible will forfeit their entry fee.
9. Competitors must dance in own age group and level only.
10. **ALL COMPETITORS COMPETE AT THEIR OWN RISK.** Competitors not ready to compete when called forfeit their right to compete.
11. Any complaint made by an individual against the Organisation or Adjudication of an event must be made in writing, giving complainant's full name and address, and shall be lodged with the Organiser, if possible on the day of the event, and certainly not later than 48 hours after the event. Such complaint is to be accompanied by a fee of \$5.00 which is refundable if the protest is upheld.
12. The Adjudicator's decision is final.
13. During the course of this competition the comportment of the competitors may come under the jurisdiction of the judges, not only whilst dancing, but also when entering or leaving the platform and whilst waiting for the dance to start. Any unseemly behaviour on the part of a competitor or any misdemeanour likely to upset the decorum of the proceedings may be penalised by the judges and could lead to disqualification, but a full report of any such misconduct on the part of a competitor must be submitted by the judges to the organiser.
14. The committee reserves the right to alter or amend this programme if deemed necessary.
15. Video recording is not permitted at this competition.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

•Competition Dress Rules. In order to meet the requirements of the Child Protection Legislation, ALL competitors are to use the allocated dressing rooms to change in. ALL competitors must be modestly attired at all times; a Tshirt, or similar, must be worn if vest or jacket is removed.

•Competitors 18 years and over, and Parents or Carers of those Competitors 17 years and under must sign the Permission to take Photographs section on the entry form.