

EMERALD ASSOCIATION OF PUTNAM COUNTY, INC.

41st ANNUAL FEIS



SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 9 A.M. START
This is an Outdoor Feis, Rain or Shine

PUTNAM COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
GYPSY TRAIL ROAD, CARMEL, NY

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Feis Chairperson: Karyn K. Oster A.D.C.R.G. PutnamCountyFeis@gmail.com
 Feis Co-Chair: Elizabeth Tenbrink Entry Chairperson: Elizabeth Tenbrink

Emerald Association Feis Honoree: TBA

Entry Deadline: May 1, 2023 Late Entry Deadline: May 13, 2023 with \$25 late fee.

| MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL ADJUDICATORS | | |
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| Joan T. Cass – NY | Eileen McDounugh - NY | Patricia Murphy - NJ |
| OUT OF REGION ADJUDICATORS | | |
| Maggie Revis Basenberg – NH | Cathy Spencer Revis – NH | Nora McHugh – CT |
| Kathy Hanley | | Maureen Bakkee - MD |

| MUSICIANS | | | |
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| Niall Mulligan | William Keller | TBA | TBA |

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Feis Tweets: Follow us on social media for all feis information, stage updates & championship results.

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DANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

\$25 Scholarship awarded to all 1st place winners in Preliminary Championship Competitions
 \$50 Scholarship awarded to all 1st place winners in Open Championship Competitions
PUTNAM COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Edward J Kelly Memorial Trophy \$100 Dance Scholarship to 1st Place winner

Please be advised The Putnam County Feis is a private event. The Emerald Association of Putnam County reserves the right to refuse entry to any individual.

Entry Waiver I acknowledge by entering and paying entry fee that I am entering myself/my child in the 2023 Putnam County Feis of my own volition. The Putnam County Feis committee will put reasonable measures in place for attendee safety, but I understand that there are inherent risks to attending including but not limited to injury or illness. I understand that The Putnam County Feis Committee, the Mid-Atlantic Region, IDTANA, CLRG, Veterans Memorial Park and all other organizations affiliated with this event, including my dance school/teachers, will not be responsible for any injury or illness incurred at the Putnam County Feis., I agree to comply to any restrictions or limitations put in place by the Putnam County Feis, Veterans Memorial Park, Putnam County, the State of New York and Center for Disease Control including but not limited to travel restrictions and compliance with any required quarantine.

The Putnam County Feis is a private event and is registered, sanctioned and will be governed by the rules of An Coimisiun, (www.clrg.ie) and The Mid-Atlantic Region (www.mid-atlanticregion.com) The Putnam County Feis, Emerald Association of Putnam County, Veterans Memorial Park, Mid-Atlantic Region and any organization affiliated with same will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage. Destruction of Feis property or rental property will be punishable by law.

BOYS/GIRLS SOLOS: All solos 2 steps, 2 at a time; Age as of 1/1/2023

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| Pre-Beginner Tir Na Nog Boys & Girls | <p>This category is open to Girls & Boys 5 years old and younger, that have never taken formal lessons. This is an "introduction" to a feis for young dancers. 1 step, 1 at a time in REEL or LIGHT JIG. NO SOLO COSTUMES ALLOWED. All dancers will receive the same recognition.</p> |
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| Category | Reel (speed 122) or Light Jig (115) | |
| Under 5 | 1 | |

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| First Feis Boys & Girls | <p>Open to beginner dancers that have NOT competed in a feis before. A beginner is a competitor who has not taken Irish dancing lessons from a registered teacher prior to September 1st of 2021. NO SOLO COSTUMES ALLOWED, Skirt and blouse or school costumes ONLY</p> | |
| | 1 STEP | 3 DANCERS AT A TIME |

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| Category | Reel (speed 122) | Light Jig (speed 115) |
| Under 6 | 2 | 3 |
| 6 and Over | 4 | 5 |

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| SPECIAL NEED Boys & Girls | <p>1 step any dance. Competition # 6</p> |
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| Figures/Teams Boys & Girls | <p>Fee is \$5 per dancer/ per team. 4-Hand & 8-Hand dances should be by the book. 2-hand & 3-hands should not exceed 80 bars of music.</p> | | | |
| Age | 2-Hand | 3-Hand | 4-Hand | 8-Hand |
| Under 8 | 320 | 338 | 348 | 380 |
| Under 10 | 323 | 330 | 340 | 383 |
| Under 13 | 324 | 333 | 343 | 384 |
| 13 & Over | 325 | 344 | 345 | 385 |
| Adult | 399 | 399 | 399 | 399 |
| Family Dance | 399 | 399 | 399 | 399 |

*Family Dance can be a 2, 3, or 4 Hand Dance, Parent or Grandparent with child, No TCRG/ADCRG

Irish Soda Bread: #425 No Fee Bring Bread to Registration Desk in a.m.
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APPROXIMATE SCHEDULE:

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NOTE:

Beginner & Advanced Beginner dancers are to wear school costume, **No solo costume.**

Boys will be judged separately if there are more than 5 per competition.

Reels in all grade categories to be danced 2 dancers at a time

*Adult Competitions May Not Be combined with other age groups in any category **

| Beginner Boys & Girls | A beginner is a competitor who has not taken Irish dancing lessons from a registered teacher prior to September 1st of 2019. Dancer must move into Advanced Beginner the following year. NO SOLO COSTUMES ALLOWED, Skirt and blouse or school costumes ONLY | | | |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| | Reel; Tempo 122 | Light Jig; Tempo 115 | Slip Jig; Tempo 122 | Hop Jig; Tempo 124 |
| Under 6 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Under 7 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Under 8 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Under 9 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| Under 10 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 |
| Under 11 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 |
| Under 12 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 |
| 12 & Over | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
| Adult* | 900 | 901 | 902 | 903 |

| Advanced Beginner Boys & Girls | An Advanced Beginner is a dancer who has taken lessons from a registered teacher for more than 1 year. An Advanced Beginner who wins a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category, in that particular dance, on January 1 of the next year. NO SOLO COSTUMES ALLOWED, Skirt and blouse or school costumes ONLY | | | | | | |
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| | Reel Tempo 122 | Light Jig Tempo 115 | Slip Jig Tempo 122 | Hop Jig Tempo 124 | Heavy Jig Tempo 92 | Hornpipe Tempo 138 | Traditional Set |
| Under 6 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 400 |
| Under 7 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 | 61 | |
| Under 8 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | |
| Under 9 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 401 |
| Under 10 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | |
| Under 11 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | |
| Under 12 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 | 91 | 402 |
| 12 & Over | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | |
| Adult* | 910 | 911 | 912 | 913 | 914 | 915 | |

Traditional Sets: St. Patrick's Day (92), Blackbird (134), Garden of Daisies (134), Job of Journeywork (134), King of the Fairies (134), Jockey to the Fair (92), Three Sea Captains (92).

| Novice Boys & Girls | A Novice is a dancer who has previously placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Advanced Beginner in 2019 or before. A novice who wins a 1st place will advance to the Prizewinner category, in that particular dance, on January 1 of the next year. | | | | | | |
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| | Reel Tempo 113 | Light Jig Tempo 115 | Slip Jig Tempo 113 | Heavy Jig Tempo 92 or 73 | Hornpipe Tempo 138 or 113 | Traditional Set | Treble Reel |
| Under 7 | 100 | 101 | 102 | 104 | 105 | 405 Under 9 | 505 Under 9 |
| Under 8 | 106 | 107 | 108 | 109 | 110 | | |
| Under 9 | 111 | 112 | 113 | 114 | 115 | | |
| Under 10 | 116 | 117 | 118 | 119 | 120 | 406 Under 12 | 506 Under 12 |
| Under 11 | 121 | 122 | 123 | 124 | 125 | | |
| Under 12 | 126 | 127 | 128 | 129 | 130 | | |
| Under 13 | 131 | 132 | 133 | 134 | 135 | 407 12 & Over | 507 12 & Over |
| 13 & Over | 136 | 137 | 138 | 139 | 140 | | |
| Adult* | 920 | 921 | 922 | 923 | 924 | | |

Traditional Sets: St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, Jockey to the Fair, Three Sea Captains.

Treble Reel: 1 Step, 1 at a time.

Schedule Note: Novice Traditional Set & Treble Reel will be dance with Novice Hard Shoe competitions.

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NOTE:

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Boys will be judged separately if there are more than 5 per competition.

Reels in all grade categories to be danced 2 dancers at a time

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| Prizewinner Boys & Girls | A Prizewinner is a dancer who has previously placed 1 st in Novice, in that particular dance. | | | | | |
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| | Reel Tempo 113 | Slip Jig Tempo 113 | Heavy Jig Tempo 92 or 73 | Hornpipe Tempo 138 or 113 | Traditional Set | Treble Reel |
| Under 8 | 150 | 151 | 152 | 153 | 410 Under 10 | 510 Under 10 |
| Under 9 | 155 | 156 | 157 | 158 | | |
| Under 10 | 160 | 161 | 162 | 163 | 411 Under 13 | 511 Under 13 |
| Under 11 | 165 | 166 | 167 | 168 | | |
| Under 12 | 170 | 171 | 172 | 173 | | |
| Under 13 | 175 | 176 | 177 | 178 | 412 13 & Over | 512 13 & over |
| Under 14 | 180 | 181 | 182 | 183 | | |
| 14 & Over | 185 | 186 | 187 | 188 | 934 | 935 |
| Adult* | 930 | 931 | 932 | 933 | | |

Traditional Sets: St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, Jockey to the Fair, Three Sea Captains.

Treble Reel: 1 Step, 1 at a time.

Schedule Note: Prizewinner Traditional Set & Treble Reel will be dance with Prizewinner Hard Shoe competitions.

| SPECIALS Boys & Girls | Girls & Boys 2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time. |
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PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS: Age as of 1/1/23

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Preliminary Championship Awards: 1st Place Dance Scholarship \$25

Sash: All dancers that place

Medal Rounds: 50% in each round

| Preliminary Championships Boys & Girls | | Heavy Round First: Choice of Jig Tempo 72 (48 Bars) or Hornpipe 113 (40 Bars) Light Round Second: Choice of Reel Tempo 113 (48 Bars) or Slip Jig Tempo 113 (40 Bars) | | | | | |
|---|------|---|------|-------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Preliminary | J/R | J/SJ | HP/R | HP/SJ | SPECIAL Traditional Set | SPECIAL Contemporary Set | SPECIAL Treble Reel |
| Under 8 | 608A | 608B | 608C | 608D | 1609 | 2612 Under 12 | 3610 Under 10 |
| Under 9 | 609A | 609B | 609C | 609D | Under 9 | | |
| Under 10 | 610A | 610B | 610C | 610D | 1612 Under 12 | | 3613 Under 13 |
| Under 11 | 611A | 611B | 611C | 611D | | | |
| Under 12 | 612A | 612B | 612C | 612D | 1615 Under 15 | 2614 Under 14 | 3617 13 & Over |
| Under 13 | 613A | 613B | 613C | 613D | | 216 Under 16 | |
| Under 14 | 614A | 614B | 614C | 614D | | | |
| Under 15 | 615A | 615B | 615C | 615D | 1617 15 & Over | 217 17 & Over | 3940 |
| Under 16 | 616A | 616B | 616C | 616D | | | |
| Under 17 | 617A | 617B | 617C | 617D | | | |
| 17 & Over | 618A | 618B | 618C | 618D | 1940 | 17 & Over | |
| Adult* | 940A | 940B | 940C | 940D | | | |

*Preliminary & Open Championships

- Competitions maybe Combined or Split, except for Under 9
- Under 9 must dance a Traditional Set:
 - St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, 3 Sea Captains, Jockey to the Fair.
- Rotation numbers for Preliminary & Open championships will be drawn by computer prior to the day of the feis.
- There will be NO changes allowed the day of the feis.
- Hard Shoe round will be danced first
- Girls & Boys All age groups 14 and under will dance 3 at a time if the stage is 32'X24' or larger.
- Older age groups will dance 2 dancers at a time.
- Choice of Reel (48 Bars) or Slip Jig (40 Bars) and Jig (48 bars) or Hornpipe (40 Bars)
- Video recording is NOT permitted
- Preliminary dancers who win three (3) 1st places in a calendar year, must move to Open Championships the following calendar year. When a third 1st place win is achieved over several calendar years, the dancer must move to Open Championships the following weekend.

Putnam County Championship; Edward J Kelly Memorial Trophy; #1000 (No Addit'l Fee)

Open to all dancers who place Top 5 in ALL Preliminary & Open Championships.

Dancers will perform 2 treble reel steps (1 step, 1 dancer at a time, down the line twice).

The winner will receive the Memorial trophy and dance Scholarship of \$100. The trophy will be retained for 1 year and returned with winner's name engraved on the provided plate. Emerald Feis is always held the 3rd full weekend in May.

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Open Championship Awards: 1st Place Dance Scholarship \$50

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Medal Rounds: 50% in each round

| Open Championships Boys & Girls | | Heavy Round First: Choice of Jig Tempo 72 (48 Bars) or Hornpipe 113 (40 Bars) Light Round Second: Choice of Reel Tempo 113 (48 Bars) or Slip Jig Tempo 113 (40 Bars) Contemporary Set Round Third: (Under 9 age groups MUST dance a Traditional Set) | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|--|------|-------|--|-------------|------|------|
| Girls | J/R | J/SJ | HP/R | HP/SJ | | Boys | J/R | HP/R |
| Under 9 | 709A | 709B | 709C | 709D | | Under 9 | 809A | 809B |
| Under 10 | 710A | 710B | 710C | 710D | | Under 10 | 810A | 810B |
| Under 11 | 711A | 711B | 711C | 711D | | | | |
| Under 12 | 712A | 712B | 712C | 712D | | Under 12 | 812A | 812B |
| Under 13 | 713A | 713B | 713C | 713D | | | | |
| Under 14 | 714A | 714B | 714C | 714D | | Under 14 | 814A | 814B |
| Under 15 | 715A | 715B | 715C | 715D | | | | |
| Under 16 | 716A | 716B | 716C | 716D | | Under 16 | 816A | 816B |
| Under 17 | 717A | 717B | 717C | 717D | | 16 and Over | 817A | 817B |
| Under 18 | 718A | 718B | 718C | 718D | | | | |
| 18 & Over | 719A | 719B | 719C | 719D | | | | |
| Adult* | 950A | 950B | 950C | 950D | | Adult* | 951A | 951B |

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Open Championship Category:

- Under 9 age groups MUST dance a Traditional set dance.
- Girls Open Championships : An under 8 age category can be added to the syllabus, but is not required
- Boys Open Championships: An Open Under 9 age category for boys MUST be offered
 - Single year or double year age groups can be offered Adult Dancers:
- Adult female dancers must wear black tights in all competition categories.
- Adult competitions CANNOT be combined with other age groups



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Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park – Carmel, NY

FEE SCHEDULE: There will be no entry refunds once payment has been received. If the event is canceled for any reason, entries will be carried forward to the 2024 Putnam County Feis. **If payment is not received within 7 days of entry, your entry will be deleted to accommodate for other entries.** You may email PutnamCountyFeis@gmail.com with entry questions.

| Fee Schedule 2023 | |
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| Grade Solos (Tir Na Nog – Prizewinner) per dance | \$10.00 |
| Preliminary Championship | \$40.00 |
| Open Championship | \$50.00 |
| Specials (Treble Reel, Sets) | \$10.00 |
| Teams (Per Dancer/Per Team) | \$5.00 |
| Grade Adults | \$10.00 |
| Adult Championship | \$35.00 |
| Baking (Donation of Baked Goods) | \$0 |
| FeisWeb Fee per Family | \$2 |
| Admission Fee (per Family) | \$25 |

Family Max \$150 (not inclusive of Family Fee)

ENTRY FEES: All fees include the cost of marks.

- Submit all entries and payments online at www.feisweb.com
- Closing date for entries is May 13, 2023
- Entry Fees are **non-refundable** and **non-transferable**.
- Please include Family Admission Fee with entries.
- All registration must be paid via Pay Pal to Emerald Association of Putnam County
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LATE FEES:

- FeisWeb Entries close on May 1, 2023.
- Late Entries May 1-13, 2023 will be accepted at discretion of the registrar and will be subject to a \$25 late fee.
- Any changes made to entries after May 1, 2023 will be charged a \$15 change fee.
- Feis Day entries will be subjected to a \$50 late fee.

Privacy Policy

- Entry information may be shown on the internet prior to the feis will be first name, last name, school and event number(s) entered.
- Placement information will be shown on the internet following the feis may be full name, school, competitor number and winning event number(s).
- Photos may be published on the internet and social media during and following the feis

Rules Governing IDTANA Mid-Atlantic Region, Inc., Feiseanna 1) In the case of all solo and team competitions in all grades, the age of a competitor on the 1st of January of the year in which the competition is held will determine the right of the entry. For the purposes of this rule, a competitor whose birthday occurs on the 1st of 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 Coimisuin, regardless of their domicile, and where applicable, 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 – ie. Teaching, award winning, competing under another competitors name or number, etc. d. Penalty for a or c: Competitor will be disqualified from the Feis at which the occurrence happened and from all MAR – 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 may not pertain to a situation where competitors are involved in stage conflicts. 5) Solo competitors in Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Novice, or Prizewinner competitions: a. Must compete in their own age group b. Must be prepared to perform two (2) steps in each event 6) Steel taps or “bubble” heels on dancing shoes, display of awards, wearing of shorts or other unconventional dress is prohibited. Authentic Gaelic dress is desired. First Feis (if offered), Beginner and Advanced Beginner, must wear a class costume, a skirt and blouse, a shirt and trousers, or a kilt. Modest attire is encouraged when a competitor is not dancing. 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%) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition. When wearing body suits with skirts (commonly known as blackout attire), dancers Under 14 and older must wear black tights (of a denier not less than 70%). 7) A competitor’s number must be worn and visible to adjudicators when performing in all competitions; use of reflective plastic number covers is discouraged. 8) Awards will be determined in proportion to the number of entries in each competition and the degree of proficiency shown. 9) Complaints regarding the running or rules of a Feis must be in writing, stating names and other factual information and signed by the complainant. A \$50 fee must be enclosed and presented to the Feis Chairperson 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 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 competitors 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 enclose the entry fee when registering. 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 determined by the feis. 14) Entrants in any Championship event may not enter in any other (Grade) events, but may enter in Figure Dances and or Ceili Dance. Entrants in Championships should specify on the entry form their choice of set dance. Entrants cannot change competition or category on the day of the competition. a. Dancers must qualify for Open Championships via the method now in place for Preliminary Championships, ie. Three 1st place wins. b. Dancers must compete in the Preliminary Championships in order to qualify for Open Championships. c. The Regional syllabus where the Feis is being held may have different qualifications for entry but MAR dancers must follow MAR rules when dancing out of Region. 15) Open and Preliminary Championships require at least three (3) adjudicators. 16) First Place winners in the Open Championship category cannot return to a Preliminary or Prizewinner competition. Placing in a Regional or National Oireachtas DOES NOT change the status of a competitor. A dancer who moves into Open Championships MUST stay a minimum of two (2) years. If after two (2) years they have not placed they are allowed to return to Preliminary Championship. An Open Championship dancer who places is not allowed to return to Preliminary Championship until two (2) years after their last placement. 17) The status of the dancer does not change unless there are five (5) or more dancers in a competition. 18) The syllabus is to contain all Grade categories. A Feis Committee may combine two (2) consecutive age categories into the higher of the two (2) categories within that Grade when less than five (5) competitors are entered. 19) 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. 20) Musicians employed by the Feis Committee will be solely

under the direction and management of the Feis Committee on Feis day. 21) In matters pertaining to adjudication, the decision of the adjudicators is final. 22) Adjudicators are to monitor the tempo of music at the stage(s) to which they are assigned. 23) The Length of 2 Hand and 3 Hand dances in competition are to be 48 bars of music plus an 8-bar introduction. 24) In consideration of safety and in fairness to dancers performing at a Feis, photography of any kind which has the capability of capturing a dancer's image while in motion is strictly forbidden except for in the Beginner and Advanced Beginner category. 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 of sale, and under no circumstances can they be published on any website or other area without the express written permission of the persons involved. Additionally, a professional photographer may be formally contracted by a Feis to capture non-motion photographs, such as portrait photography, award ceremonies, etc. and/or in-motion photography provided it is taken at a vendor station or suitable location: a) away from the dancing stages and b) requested by a consenting parent, guardian, or dancer (over the age of 18). 25) 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 1st of each year an exception is made for those dancers who are eleven dancing in the Under 12 age group. 26) Makeup is prohibited on a dancer up to and including the Under 10 age group. 27) Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aides and who subsequently refuses to remove same will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed aides (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this rule. 28) Each Feis is required to list their Adjudicators on their syllabus and/or website. If Adjudicators are not listed on the syllabus, they must be posted on the Feis website a minimum of three (3) weeks prior to the Feis date. Once the Feis has closed for entries the Adjudicators names may be removed from the Feis website. One third of the Adjudicators are to be from outside the Region where the Feis is being held. 29) No substance that can become airborne should be used on any dance floor in an attempt to improve traction. 30) Championship stage sizes should be at least 24' wide by 20' deep. Solo and Figure dancing stage should be at least 20' wide by 16' deep. Choreography stages should be at least 24' wide by 20' deep. 31) Championship stage dancing 3 dancers at a time must be at least 32' wide by 24' deep. This is limited to those dancing Under 14. 32) Non-championship stage dancing 3 dancers at a time must be at least 24' wide by 20' deep for each age group as prescribed by CLRG. The Adjudicator has the authority to dance the dancers 2 or 3 at a time unless specified in the syllabus. 33) The MAR Feis Committee must receive in writing any notification of a violation occurring at a MAR approved Feis, identifying the name and contact information of the person submitting the violation. A violation is defined as any instance where a Feis rule was not adhered to, ie. Stage size requirements. A substantiated violation will be presented to MAR Executive Board for their review. The Feis organizer will be given ten (10) days to respond. Any determination resulting in a valid violation will result in written notification to the Feis organizer advising remedy of the violation must occur by or before their next Feis. A representative of the MAR Feis Committee and/or Executive Board must attend the Feis to verify compliance. If the violation is still present the following action will be taken: a. Formal notification (certified mail/return receipt) given to the Feis organizer that their Feis will be suspended the following year. b. Notification regarding the suspension will also be sent to the IDTANA President. c. In order to be reinstated, a written plan to remedy the violation must be submitted to the MAR Feis Committee and/or the MAR Executive Board. d. Further violations, or non-compliance could result in further action left to the discretion of the MAR Executive Board