

The Presidium

2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

LAUSANNE, JUNE 17, 2018

***Presidium's Motions Re:
WDSF Competition Rules***

***PROPOSAL BY Sports
Commission***

MOVED, at the request of the WDSF Sports Commission, that the WDSF Competition Rules be amended:

- 1.) Change all findings of "New Judging System" to "Absolute Judgement System and ensuring 4 heats in quarter-finals and 2 heats in semi-finals for all AJS-related competitions**

Reason: formal change, already executed.

To take effect: immediately

- 2.) Change Rule C.3.6.13 and E.9.1 to implement a break of 30 minutes for all WDSF World and Continental Championships and Grand Slam competitions between Semi-Final and Final.**

Reason: in the mentioned competition couples are currently faced with a lot of stress: they usually change dress, a briefing for the TV production has to be done, the drawing of the solo performances needs to be published.

Remarks: the general rule for a minimum break of 20 minutes in all competitions stays unchanged

To take effect: September 1st, 2018

- 3.) Change Rule C.3.8.2 to ensure mixed heats for ALL type of competitions from round of 96 onwards.**

Reason: Currently, Cups and Grand Slams are formally not covered by this rule

To take effect: immediately

4.) Change Rule C.4.6 to ensure that also in WDSF World Open Competitions ALL adjudicators must represent a different country

Reason: Formal change.

In the document "WDSF World Ranking List Regulations" in WDSF World Open Competitions it is already required to have each adjudicator from a different country and has already been executed in the past.

To take effect: immediately

5.) Change Rule D.2.2.3, 2.2.4 and 2.2.5 ruling the retention time when changing Country or DanceSport System.

Reason: Currently unclear term "12 month", "8 month". Higher transparency.

Remark: In the past already "1 year minus 10 days" was technically in place, in some cases additional exemptions have been given.

New:

Change representing a different country or coming from another DanceSport System:

- Retention period for all WDSF World/Continental Championships and Cups (Grand Slam NOT included):

355 days, under exceptional conditions on discretion of the Sports Director the period can be reduced to 335 days.

(Change from 12 month to 355 days, Grand Slam excluded)

- Retention period for all WDSF World Ranking competitions including Grand Slam:

240 days, unless the two involved WDSF member bodies agree to disclaim any retention time.

(Change: included Grand Slam, was under Championship Rules, Change from 8 month to 240 days)

To take effect: September 1st, 2018

6.) Change Rule D.2.5.2 Identifying Athletes at WDSF Competitions with eCard

Reason: formal Change – adding term “eCard” to “WDSF ID Card”

7.) Change Rule D.2.5.3 and D.2.5.4 National Athlete License Books.

Reason: Currently, National License Books or Cards need to fulfil certain requirements. As WDSF now issues their own eCard, this rule is not required anymore.

To take effect: immediately

8.) Change Rule F.3.6 to ensure that the competition dress can be approved already at Formation–Rehearsals.

Reason: Currently, the Chairperson usually gets notice about the dresses only in the first round.

To avoid any uncertainty at least one couple shall present the full competition dress at the rehearsal.

To take effect: immediately

9.) Change Appendix “Dress regulations”.

Reason: Clarification

Change 1: Clarification for material allowed Intimacy Area

Intimacy area (IA) – body zones, which must be covered by non transparent materials or transparent materials lined with non transparent materials. If skin colour is used in an athlete’s costume, it must be SwD. **Net fabric is not allowed in the IA unless it’s lined with transparent or non transparent material.**

Change 2: Clarification distance Hip Line and Panty Line.

Currently, both rules (HL and PL) can't be fulfilled. Either the PL doesn't follow the line between flexed leg and body (usually too high) or the HL is too deep in relation to PL. All ladies are referring constantly to the "5cm rule", not considering PL+HL together.

The distance between HL and PL on the side must be more than 5 cm. **The minimum distance might be more than 5cm to fulfil a correct PL and HL depending on the lady's build.**

To take effect: 1.1.2019

10.) Change WDSF Competition Rules in regard to "re-dance rounds"

Reason: Discussion about re-dance rounds are ongoing for several years in different commissions of WDSF.

After detail analysis, the WDSF Sports Commission and the WDSF Athletes Commission have agreed on the following general rules to be presented to the AGM:

No re-dance round for **any WDSF/PD competition** (World Ranking Competitions and all WDSF Championships/Cups)

No re-dance round in **any WDSF World/Continental/Sub-Continental Cup**

Obligatory re-dance round in all **WDSF World/Continental Championships, Grand Slam** Competitions and **World Open** Competitions

In **all other World Ranking Competitions** (WDSF International Open and WDSF open) the **re-dance round is not mandatory** but can be implemented at the discretion of the organizer.

To take effect: 1.1.2019

11.) Change WDSF Competition Rules 8.2.8 – Ten Dance Competitions

Reason: Formal clarification, that in the final round the first discipline must be Standard, followed by Latin.

To take effect: immediately