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IDO Judges

Selection of IDO judges – Appointment of the countries

There are between 7 and 9 Judges at all IDO world championships.

Basically each IDO country qualified by the IDO Adjudication Director may send judges to a competition. Very often these federations will send more than one judge to share the judging seat to avoid a judge from judging all day and evening, sometimes without breaks-

The enrolled judges will be assigned to each of the competitions by the chairman according a key, so the judging panel will have equal seats. The Chairman will also try to utilize the ‘Voluntary Judges’, so the official panel may have some refresher time.

Judges are not allowed to judge their own students, or a member of their own family or household. To avoid conflicts the judges inform the chairperson before which categories they can/cannot judge.

Example:

It might be possible a county to send 7 judges – a second country just only 1.

Those 7 judges will be distributed among the 16 to 20 different age and categories included in the competition who will judge at least 75 % of the event. Each of the 7 judges will be distributed evenly among the 16 to 20 or more judging panels.

In the case a country sends only 1 judge they must be able to judge at least 75% of the event and if this is not possible, they must decline the invitation or supplement that judge by sending a 2nd judge the categories they cannot judge. Also, a judge must understand that if they are the only judge from a country, the day could be very long, without many refresher breaks
To avoid this unfair situation many countries send more than one judge.

How countries are appointed to send official judges

- Seats 1 – 3 Are selected from the countries with the best results in the competitions during the last 12 months. These three countries will be set and may send more than one judge.
- Seat 4 The organizing country appoints this seat – and may also send more than 1 judge.
- Seats 5 - 7 Will be selected from the countries appointed by the IDO presidium before each season by proposal of the IDO Adjudication Committee

It is planned to have 9 Judges for the Junior und Adult Formations and Productions.

Voluntary Judges are judges, who often travel with their own dancers to an IDO event. They are welcome to judge those competitions where their own students are not competing
Voluntary judges should only judge one or two categories to allow official judges the possibility to refresh.

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How to become an IDO judge?

All IDO judges must be national specialists in their fields. They are teachers, coaches, or choreographers and/or former dancers. All National Members (Federations) must ensure that their recommendations hold the highest National License and they are technically qualified to judge the discipline they are applying to judge.

We require all national federations to train their judges technically. This ensures all IDO judges are specialists in their dance disciplines.

IDO Judges Seminars and Exams

The national Federations enroll their national judges for the international IDO Judges' seminars and exams, the date and times are published in the IDO website and which will be held from time to time during the year, mostly in co-operation with IDO championships.

All candidates attending the IDO seminars and exams must have a national judges' license. They must attend the seminar and pass the written and oral exams in those disciplines they want to judge.

Mock Judging

After having passed our very comprehensive exams, which require that candidates are completely familiar with the entire IDO Rules Book, they have to mock judge each and every discipline they wish to be qualified to judge.

After finishing the mock judging a personal interview follows with the chairperson of judges. During this interview the candidates' Mock judging sheets will be analyzed, and if they are not in sync with the official judging panel, must explain why they have judged in this manner. If the explanation is reasonable and fair the IDO judge's license will be given.

IDO adjudicators and the IDO Website

All IDO licensed Judges are listed in the IDO website under their country's name.

IDO Judges Meeting

Before every IDO Competition, there is an official Judges Meeting.

It is mandatory that all judges attend this meeting, or they will not be allowed to judge. At this meeting all judges must submit their official IDO Judging License Book, be given instructions on what is expected of them during the competition, review time schedules, make sure they are not judging categories that they cannot judge and review all new rules pertaining to the discipline they are judging. They will also be briefed on the scoring system being utilized during the event and if there will be open or closed marking system. They will also be informed of the penalties if they are found guilty of "home judging" or only placing dancers into the next round from their own nation.