

# DANCE COMPETITIONS

## RULES & CONDITIONS

### THREE (3) CATEGORIES:

- A) INTER-CELTIC GROUP COMPETITION  
1st Prize: Shield & €200  
2nd Prize: €100  
3rd Prize: €50
- B) SOLO INTER-CELTIC COMPETITION  
1st Prize: Cup & €100  
2nd Prize: €75  
3rd Prize: €50
- C) NEW INVENTION DANCE - RINCE NUA  
1st Prize: Ian O'Leary Trophy & €100  
2nd Prize €75  
3rd Prize: €50

ENTRY FEE: Groups €20; Solo Dancers €5

- 1 See also 'General Competition Rules' and 'General Festival Rules' as well as the following.
- 2 Use Entry Form FPC5 to enter Dance Competitions
- 3 A maximum of 3 entries apply for each country. If more than three entries are received it will be necessary to run a preliminary competition to select the entries going forward to the final.
- 4 Competitors must be over 16 years of age.
- 5 Competitors must supply own music.
- 6 Performance must be not less than 3 minutes or exceed 6 minutes.
- 7 The following is the marking system which will apply to all competitions:
  - Timing 20
  - Carriage & Teamwork 20
  - Steps of Figures 20
  - General Effects 20
  - Style 20
- 8 New Invention Dance
  - a. Teams should consist of at least six (6), but not exceeding twenty (20) members, and should perform a newly composed dance of a duration not

less than three (3) minutes and not more than six (6) minutes to native traditional music.

b. The dance must be continuous - with no breaks between movements.

c. It would be desirable if the dance were to be based on a cultural or folklore theme from the team's native country.

d. Competing teams must provide their own live music for their performances, and also, if the dance is theme based, a short written description of the story to the dance, and of the dance itself.

Note for Irish teams

Céilí dances from *Ár Rincí Foirne*, published by *An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha*, and figures of country set dances (e.g. Kerry Sets, Clare Sets) do not satisfy requirements for this competition.