



### WDC PRO AM RULES

With the kind permission of the NDCA and subject to NDCA rule changes.  
All references made to the NDCA rules are valid and the NDCA rules can be found  
for download on [www.ndca.org](http://www.ndca.org)

#### 1.) PRO/AM STUDENT DANCER EVENTS

a. ) Open to any couple consisting of a registered professional dancing with a Pro/Am Student Dancer. Demonstrations, which are advertised to the general public, are prohibited except at Studio Events and Honor Dances following a competition.

#### b . Formation Competitions

All couples in the team must consist of a registered professional dancing with a Pro/Am Student Dancer.

c. PRO/AM competitions may offer any or all of the following divisions:

NEWCOMERS,

BEGINNER, INTERMEDIATE; ADVANCED; THEATRICAL; EXHIBITION; Levels in Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Gold Star, Supreme Gold; separate or merged categories by age or gender, etc.

(1) Pro/Am Student, Student/Student and Mixed Amateur Dancers are eligible to enter the

Newcomer division for a period of one year commencing with their first sanctioned event regardless of the style.

(2) Newcomer Division shall be restricted to Closed Syllabus only.

d. Recommendation for Organizers: Any Pro/Am Student Dancer winning at a level (Intermediate Bronze for example) may not enter that level again at that competition, provided a semi-final was danced.

e. Where organizers have experienced difficulty with multi-level registrations from students in Pro/Am competitions, the following guidelines may be helpful, and should be included in the Competition Package:

(1) Basic Registration - Students should dance one level only.

(2) Advanced Level Registrations - Students should dance one level only above the basic registration.

(3) Restricted Dance Registration - Students should be restricted from dancing in a particular dance in more than one level.

(4) Students should not register again in dances previously won at a particular level unless the student was uncontested at the time of winning.

f. The age divisions for Pro/Am Student Dancer Events shall be as listed below, with the understanding that each competition organizer may sub-divide the basic divisions listed in the manner they see fit.

- (1) "A" - ages 18-35
- (2) "B" - ages 36-50
- (3) "C" - ages 51+

g. Recommendation for organizers. It is suggested that Closed Gold Multi-Dance categories be offered in the International Styles at events offering closed multi-dance categories.

## 2.) STUDENT/STUDENT & PRO/AM STUDENT DANCER EVENTS FOR PRE-TEEN, JUNIOR AND YOUTH

a. When Pre-Teen, Junior and Youth events are offered for Student/Student and/or Pro/Am Student Dancers the age divisions must be those that are listed in the "Rules for Amateur Competitions" section.

b. When Pre-Teen, Junior and Youth events are offered for Student/Student and/or Pro/Am Student Dancers the dress and/or costuming rules must be those that are listed in the "Rules for Amateur Competitions" section.

c. When Pre-Teen events are offered for Student/Student and/or Pro/Am Student Dancers the syllabus rules must be those that are listed in the "Rules for Amateur Competitions" section.

d. Pre-Teen Pro/Am Student Dancers may not apply to relinquish their age category and move into the next higher age division.

e. The NDCA definition of a couple applies to these events as well, with no exceptions.