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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 As the National Sports Association for DanceSport in Singapore, Singapore Dancesport Federation (SGDF) (hereinafter referred to as “the Federation”) endeavours to look into the interests of all our members in the various membership categories.
- 1.2 This document outlines the membership policy that has been adopted by SGDF.

2. DEFINITION

- 2.1 There are seven (7) different categories of membership in Singapore Dancesport Federation as well as different fees chargeable. A member shall pay an annual subscription to the SGDF in advance, on the 1st of April every year.
- 2.2 For avoidance of doubt, the annual subscription fee is based on SGDF’s operational financial year, i.e. 1 April to 31 March. There are no prorated subscription fees for any categories.
- 2.3 Subscription rates shall be in accordance with the grade of a member. Such rates shall be as follows:
 - a) Full member \$200.00 per year;
 - b) ‘Grade A’ member \$75.00 per year;
 - c) ‘Grade B’ member \$60.00 per year;
 - d) ‘Grade C’ member \$50.00 per year;
 - e) ‘Grade D’ member \$40.00 per year;
 - f) ‘Grade E’ member \$30.00 per year;
 - g) ‘Social’ member \$20.00 per year
- 2.4 An entrance fee of \$10.00 shall be payable together with the application form for membership, in default of which the application would be rejected.

3. FULL MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 **Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution**
 - 3.1.1 Any clubs or associations registered with the Registrar of Societies (ROS), or which are entities within the Singapore government or statutory boards, and has DanceSport as its activity may seek affiliation as Full Member.
- 3.2 **Benefits**
 - 3.2.1 May choose to co-organise championships (ranking and non-ranking) with the Federation, and seek the affiliations with regional federations for technical expertise i.e. scrutineers, adjudicators etc.

4. 'GRADE A' MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

4.1.1 The membership is for any athlete who competes in Standard 5-dance category, or Latin 5-dance category, or Breaking. This membership also applies to Professional Adjudicators' Licence Holders from the Professional Division of World DanceSport Federation (WDSF), or Breaking Adjudicators' Licence Holders.

4.2 Benefits

4.2.1 Local transport (where applicable, for competitions in Peninsula Malaysia).

4.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) restrictions).

4.2.3 Official SGDF merchandise e.g. tracksuit, t-shirts, bags (subject to availability).

4.3 Additional Rules

4.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

4.3.2 Members must maintain a valid membership with the Federation to renew their respective Adjudicators' Licence with WDSF.

5. 'GRADE B' MEMBERSHIP

5.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

5.1.1 The membership is for any athlete who competes in Standard 4-dance category, or Latin 4-dance category.

5.2 Benefits

5.2.1 Local transport (if provided to competition in Peninsula Malaysia).

5.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to PDPA restrictions).

5.3 Additional Rules

5.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

6. 'GRADE C' MEMBERSHIP

6.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

- 6.1.1 The membership is for any athlete who competes in Standard 3-dance category, or Latin 3-dance category.

6.2 Benefits

- 6.2.1 Local transport (if provided to competition in Peninsula Malaysia).
- 6.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to PDPA restrictions).

6.3 Additional Rules

- 6.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

7. GRADE D' MEMBERSHIP

7.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

- 7.1.1 The membership is for any athlete who competes in Standard 2-dance category, or Latin 2-dance category.

7.2 Benefits

- 7.2.1 Local transport (if provided to competition in Peninsula Malaysia).
- 7.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to PDPA restrictions).

7.3 Additional Rules

- 7.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

8. GRADE E' MEMBERSHIP

8.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

- 8.1.1 The membership is for any athlete who competes in Standard 1-dance category, or Latin 1-dance category.
- 8.1.2 This category also covers solo dance where either the male partner, or the female partner competes as an individual.
- 8.1.3 This category does not cover the international competitive Single Dance Event used in several of the WDSF, DanceSport Asia (DSA) or multi-sport Games e.g. SEA Games, which is covered under "Grade A Membership".

8.2 Benefits

- 8.2.1 Local transport (if provided to competition in Peninsula Malaysia)

- 8.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to PDPA restrictions).

8.3 Additional Rules

- 8.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

9. SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP

9.1 Qualification, Rights as per SGDF Constitution

- 9.1.1 The membership is for social dancers or 1-Dance Beginners (basic level and never competed before).

9.2 Benefits

- 9.2.1 Local transport (if provided to competition in Peninsula Malaysia).
- 9.2.2 Registration / verification of competition on behalf of members (does not cover online registration due to PDPA restrictions).

9.3 Additional Rules

- 9.3.1 Entry Fees to competitions, congresses, exams, and annual adjudicator subscriptions are not covered by the Federation. These will be borne by the respective participating members.

10. APPLICATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 10.1 Every application for membership of the Federation shall be in writing, for which purpose a form will be supplied. The entrance fee and dues should be forwarded with the application form. Such fee and dues are refundable if the application is rejected.
- 10.2 For Full Membership and Grade A Membership, the Federation may convene a Membership Review Committee (MRC) to review the applications for membership.
- 10.3 The decision of the MRC as regards the admission of members shall be final, and no correspondences will be entertained.
- 10.4 If a member falls into arrears with his subscriptions or other dues, he shall be informed by the Honorary Treasurer immediately. If the arrears are not paid by the member within the next 14 days of their becoming due, his membership shall be automatically terminated.
- 10.5 Any member shall not take part or compete in any official competition, tournament or game not organized or sanctioned by the Federation without prior written approval of the Federation.

- 10.6 All persons who wish to participate in competitions organised by the WDSF/Federation must sign up as competing members with the Federation. All competing members will have to dance in ranking points competition as determined by the Committee. The top couples based on their ranking will be selected to represent Singapore in International competitions.
- 10.7 All persons who wish to participate in congresses by the WDSF/Federation must sign up as members with the Federation.
- 10.8 Any Member
- a) whom the Committee decides, after the administration of due process, to have acted in any way prejudicial to the interests of the WDSF/Federation or to have violated any of the Articles of the Constitution;
 - b) who has resigned or died;
 - c) who has been adjudicated bankrupt as from the date such adjudication;
 - d) who becomes an enemy alien;
 - e) who has been expelled;
 - f) who has been convicted of a serious criminal offence;
 - g) who leaves the country to escape criminal proceedings; or
 - h) who is neither a citizen nor permanent resident of Singapore, upon termination of partnership with his dance partner shall cease to be a member.
- 10.9 Payment via cheques only: All cheques are to be crossed and made payable to Singapore DanceSport Federation. Do note that application for membership is not automatically approved (subject to 10.2).
- 10.10 The Membership Form and the Crossed-Cheque are to be mailed to:
Singapore DanceSport Federation,
P O Box 0280,
Tanjong Pagar Post Office,
Singapore 910810.

11. PRIVACY STATEMENT

- 11.1 All personal information will remain confidential and will not be used or disclosed without consent. Personal information includes one's name, electronic mail (e-mail) address and all other data or preferences provided by SGDF members.

12. PROTECTION, ACCESS TO AND CORRECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

- 12.1 If an individual wishes to make (i) an access request for access to a copy of the personal data which the Federation holds about the said individual or information about the ways in which the Federation uses or discloses the said individual's personal data, or (ii) a correction request to correct or update any of the said individual's personal data which the Federation holds about the said individual, a request may be submitted to the Federation in writing or via e-mail and the Federation will respond to any such requests as soon as is reasonably possible.

- 12.2 An individual should be aware, however, that no method of transmission over the Internet or method of electronic storage is completely secure. Whilst security cannot be guaranteed, the Federation strives to protect the security of personal information and is constantly reviewing and enhancing its information security measures.

13. CHANGES TO THE POLICY

- 13.1 Singapore Dancesport Federation is committed to ensuring all policies are up-to-date and reflect current practices.
- 13.2 Changes to this policy may be submitted by SGDF Management Committee for review and approval. Once a change has been approved, the policy will be updated and posted on the SGDF website.
- 13.3 In the event of any question or matter arising out of any point which is not expressly provided for in the rules, the Committee shall have power to use their own discretion.