



ACS A Dance Event Sanctioning Standards April 2019

All ACS A Member Event Producers who conduct dance competitions must meet the following **minimum** standards in order for a competition, that includes all star dance divisions and categories, to be sanctioned

1. General Event Standards:

- a. A properly equipped & sufficient for the competition size First Aid professional present and ready to handle emergencies.
- b. A minimum of \$20,000,000 in public liability insurance coverage.
- c. IASF dance rules, guidelines and policies must be followed and enforced.
- d. Only divisions and categories from the approved ACS A Divisions and Categories Guidelines may be sanctioned by the ACS A, unless approved by the ACS A Board.
- e. Have at least one current season IASF Certified Dance Legality Official onsite at any Dance Worlds qualifying event.
- f. Team performance will not be scheduled earlier than 7:00am and perform no later than 11:00pm.
- g. Have a documented plan on site in competition venues that outlines how to handle emergency situations. Event management staff must review the plan prior to producing an event
- h. Make best efforts to follow the ACS A Recommended Standards for Judges & Scoring at Sanctioned Events (below).
- i. All music played at sanctioned events must comply with APRA/PPCA licenses
- j. All coaches must have a valid Working with Children Check

2. Warm-Up Area Standards:

- a. Provide warm-up room space and time with a similar surface to the performance floor.
- b. Provide information regarding warm-up room surface at time of registration.
- c. If warm-up areas are outdoors, provide suitable foul weather alternatives.
- d. Provide a method of cleaning warm-up area surfaces of bodily fluids, dust and debris from prior performances.

3. Performance Area Standards:

- a. The performance floor can be a marked out sports court or is using a regulation floor eg Marley, Roscoe, Harlequin (or similar) floor over a floating wood floor or sport court and must be a minimum of 10 metres x 10 metres.
- b. Bare concrete, grass, and/or uneven surfaces are not allowed.
- c. An unobstructed ceiling height of 4.5 metres over the performance floor must be provided.
- d. If performance areas are outdoors, provide suitable foul weather alternatives.
- e. Provide a method of cleaning performance area surfaces of bodily fluids, dust and debris from prior performances.



Event Producers accepted for ACSA membership after June 1, 2018 must be in business successfully conducting competitions for 3 years before they will be approved to hold ACSA sanctioned competitions which will allow them to advertise they are an ACSA Sanctioned Event. Documentation and/or proof of holding legitimate and safe events may be requested by the ACSA before approval. A competition will be sanctioned only if the management or executive staff of the event producer conducting the event has at least 3 years experience conducting competitions.

ACSA Recommended Standards for Judges & Scoring at Sanctioned Events.

- Conduct judges meeting/orientation/training prior to start of competition
- Follow the “ACSA MEMBER POLICY RECOMMENDATION FOR ROUTINE INTERRUPTION” protocol for all sanctioned events. Currently, this is a recommendation to all event producers. The protocol is to protect everyone's interest, with the focus on the injured athlete during an event.
- Scheduled meal and restroom breaks for judges.
- Access to water and/or refreshments while judging.