



# SCOTTISH OFFICIAL BOARD OF HIGHLAND DANCING

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Application for Registration as a Competition Dancer in the

## NOVICE CATEGORY

Send to: Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing, Heritage House, 32 Grange Loan, EDINBURGH, EH9 2NR

### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLOCK CAPITALS

Surname .....

First Name(s) .....

Permanent Address .....

City .....Post Code.....

Date of Birth .....

(To be verified on initial registration via submission of a copy of an official document showing date of birth (e.g. birth certificate, passport) )

Teacher's Signature .....

Teacher's Name .....

Address .....

City .....Post Code.....

Telephone Number .....email address.....

Examining Body, Qualification & Membership Number.....

**Please enclose 2 passport photographs named and endorsed by teacher. £10.00 Registration fee (return Beginners Card) and a stamped addressed envelope for return of card. Please allow one month for processing.**

Cheques and Postal Orders (no cash) should be made payable to the 'Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing'.

It is accepted that this information be securely stored by the S.O.B.H.D. on a computer system. I understand that if I attend any class, workshop or seminar, including tuition by electronic methods e.g. Skype, that I cannot compete in front of any adjudicator, who has instructed at these said training sessions, for a period of 3 months after the last class, workshop, seminar, or tuition method.

**I agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations and the Code of Ethics of the S.O.B.H.D. (see over)**

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU SIGN BOTH PAGES.**

Signature of Parent or Guardian of Dancer .....

Signature of Dancer (16 years and over).....Date.....

SOBHD Registered Dancers taking part in un-registered Competitions which include pre-Premier events, and/or providing incorrect information will incur a six month penalty. During this period they will not be accepted as eligible to enter any registered competition.

**For Office Use Only: Competitor's Registration Number.....**

## **S.O.B.H.D. Code of Ethics**

In this Code "Participant" means any organisation, body, association or individual with full or associate membership of the Board; any individual who is a member of an organisation, body, or association with full or associate membership of the Board; any individual who is registered with the Board; any person directly connected to a body or individual who is registered with the Board.

This includes Judges, Teachers, Organisers, Parents, Dancers & all parties connected with dancers.

### **General behaviour**

1. Participants will display honesty, fairness and equality of opportunity in all relationships in association with Highland Dancing, this includes but is not limited to social network communication (e.g. Facebook).
2. Participants will make themselves aware of the Social Media Guidance provided by SOBHD.
3. Participants will not engage in behaviour which undermines the status and esteem of Highland Dancing.
4. Participants will recognise the authority of judges and other officials and treat them with courtesy and respect.
5. Participants will treat all other participants with courtesy and respect, whether successful in competition or not.
6. Participants will not discriminate between other participants on the grounds of sex, ethnic background, religion or ability.
7. Participants will respect the competence of teachers and judges and will not engage in public criticism; nor will participants be exposed to adverse public criticism. This includes but is not limited to verbal, textual or social networking communication.
8. Participants will not compromise the integrity of any competition result by seeking to influence any judge's decision.
9. Participants will not actively persuade dancers to change teacher nor will participants seek to influence other participant's choice of teacher.
10. Participants are responsible to maintain trophies and return them in the same conditions as received.
11. Participants will dress appropriately and modestly when in public at competitions.

### **Child protection/Well-being of Dancers**

All participants will seek to ensure the health & well-being of the dancer at all times. In particular, the S.O.B.H.D. recommends that the teacher will comply with the disclosure requirements as applicable in the country/countries in which they are teaching and will provide planned programmes of preparation and competition for dancers; Organisers will have a child protection policy, adhere to national child protection policy, provide a safe environment, and suitable programming of events to ensure sufficient recovery time for the dancers.

### **Teachers/Judges**

Teachers/judges must be suitably qualified, and will have a responsibility to maintain their qualification and expertise. Teachers/judges must behave in a professional manner at all times and will not compromise dancers by advocating an unfair advantage.

### **Legislation**

Participants who do not adhere to the above will be subject to a penalty decided by the Board.

Signature.....

Date.....