

RULES & REGULATIONS

- No responsibility for the loss or theft of articles left in ballroom, change rooms, hotel rooms and any area used by dancers, spectators or officials can be accepted by The Falls Premier Ball Organizer. All persons attending this event do so at his/her own risk and are bound by all CDF and OADA rules. Rules are available on request.
- In any event with less than 3 entries, the organizer reserves the right to eliminate the age & sex divisions and merge competitors into one open division.
- It is the competitor's responsibility to be in attendance at least 30 min. in advance of the scheduled time of their competition.
- All Solo Exhibitions must be on individually labeled CD, not exceeding 3 min. Formation Teams 4 min. NO Ipods or Laptops.
- Syllabus step restrictions do not apply to Solo Exhibitions & Formation Teams.
- Changes of categories will not be permitted at the event. However, if changes are necessary there will be a \$5 charge.
- A panel of invigilators will be used for all restricted categories.
- Couples are allowed to compete at their registered level and one level above it for amateurs, two levels for Pro-Am.
- The age category of a couple is determined by the oldest member of the partnership in the calendar year.
- Amateur Age Categories:
 - Juvenile: Under 12th birthday or less in the calendar year.
 - Junior: Reached 12th, 13th, 14th, or 15th birthday in the calendar year.
 - Youth: Reached 16th, 17th or 18th birthday in the calendar year.
 - Adult: 1st partner reached 19th birthday or more in the calendar year & the 2nd partner must reach their 14th birthday or more in the calendar year.
 - Ad II: Both partners reached 35th birthday or more in the calendar year.
 - Ad III: Both partners reached 45th birthday or more in the calendar year.
 - Ad IV: Both partners reached 55th birthday or more in the calendar year.
- Youth couples are allowed to participate in adult competitions.
- Syllabus: Amateur = CDF or ISTD In Amateur Pre-Bronze, Bronze, and Silver, figures are restricted to CDF or ISTD In Amateur Gold Category, figures are restricted to CDF or ISTD Syllabus plus POPULAR VARIATIONS.
Pro-Am International Style = ISTD or CDF
Pro-Am American Style = Fred Astaire, Arthur Murray, CDF, or the Social Syllabus of any recognized Professional Association. Pro-Am & Amateur Am./ Int. closed one dance events are restricted syllabus competitions.
- Pro-Am & Amateur American/ International OPEN one dance events (ONLY) are not restricted syllabus competitions.
- Lifts will not be permitted in open & closed events.
- All Professional competitions are recognized by the CDF. Professional Competitors must be registered with CDF(Canada) and with NDCA(U.S.A.). If a Prof. category has 3 couples or less competing, the cash prize will be reduced to one-half.
- All Ontario amateur competitors must be registered with OADA, out of province with their regional association.
- No video taping will be allowed. There will be a professional video company for your convenience.
- Cancellations: The deadline for entries and cancellation without penalty is Dec. 20, 2009. After this date there will be a \$50.00 cancellation fee.
- No refunds at the door for entries or tickets. Room cancellations require a 48 hr. notice.
- There will be no substituting of students during this event.
- Smoking will not be permitted in the ballroom and foyer.
- Dress Code in effect: DAYTIME : Semi-formal (No Jeans or Sweats) – EVENING: Formal
- COMPETITOR DRESS CODE: Amateur: see OADA's rules. Pro- Am: Costumes may be worn at any level.