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WRRC Info January 2015

Dear President, Dancers, Officials, Trainers

Bellow you can find some important information for the year 2015!

1. REGISTRATION OF DANCERS, COUPLES AND FORMATIONS

We have stepped into the year 2015, so it is time to renew the WRRC registration of your couples, dancers, formations. As previous years, we will open the Fast Registration Protocol (FRP), where you will have the opportunity to register your dancers, couples and formations in package:

The address is www.wrrc-registration.com/baza/mac

The fast registration process is the same as last year, so you can start using it at once. On the front page of the Registration toll there is the short description of the procedures. Please read it carefully and proceed as instructed there.

When deciding to delete a couple or a dancer please make sure you don't want to see the data anymore in the database. If the couple/dancer/formation is not active, just leave them without registration and they will not be visible on the active sides, but they will remain in the database

The FRP will be active until February 28, 2015. After that the process will be closed and you will need to reactivate the remaining dancers one by one. After the FRP is closed you will be able to add new dancers, couples, formations and register your team members for competition that follow in 2015.

After the FRP is closed, you will be also able to start using the registration of acrobatic elements on for the B-Class and Main Class couples.

2. VALID AGE GROUPS IN 2015

The valid age groups for 2015 are listed below:

RR Youth:	born between 2001 and 2007
RR Juniors:	born between 1998 and 2003
RR "B" class:	born 2001 or older

RR Main class:	born 2000 or older
RR formations Juniors:	born between 1998 and 2007
RR formations Main class:	born 2000 or older
RR Duo Rock Show	born 2000 or older
RR Formations Junior Girls:	born between 2000 and 2007
RR Formation Adult Girls:	born 2001 or older
BW Juniors:	born between 1998 and 2002
BW Main class:	born 2001 or older
BW Formations:	born 2001 or older
BW Seniors:	younger born 1980 or older, older born 1975 or older
LH Juniors:	born between 1998 and 2007
LH Main class:	born 1999 or older
LH Seniors:	younger born 1980 or older, older born 1975 or older
Bugg/Trio Show Juniors:	born between 1998 and 2007
Bugg/Trio show Main class:	born 2001 or older
Bugg Seniors:	younger born 1980 or older, older born 1975 or older

New prices for registration fee, valid from 01.01.2015:

- Registration fee for participants, per person and year 25 €
- Registration fee for formations, per person and year 5€

Clarification: If one person is dancing in couples and formations, he must pay both fees.

3. NEW ANTI-DOPING REGULATIONS

Due to changes in WADA anti-doping rules, it was necessary to make changes also in the WRRC anti-doping procedures and rules. The status of International athlete has to be established, a professional statement regarding the usability of doping in our sport and in consequence the need of OCT has to be prepared and <u>each dancer has to sign the</u> Consent in person (for minor the parents need to sign).

WRRC will formulate the appropriate rules when Chair of WDSF Anti-doping commission confirms that our formulation is correct. We will include an upload option for ID/passport and signed form of consent to our Registration Software. The office will only confirm the new dancers if the documents will be complete. The fast registration for 2015 will be possible without the documents. They have to be delivered to WRRC office latest before General Meeting 2015 otherwise the registration will be cancelled.

Detailed informationwill be published after the Fast Registration Process will be closed (28.02.2015).

4. RR BASIC STEP DEFINITION – GROUP 1

Since the introduction of the New Judging System for RR couples last year, it is obligatory for all the couples to dance the required amount of basic steps in their programs. Here we would like to give you once more the overview of the rules concerning Group 1 in dance:

Changes of Places with Basic Bteps

Compulsory amount: minimum 6 full RR basics (in the Final FW 4 Full Rock`n`Roll Basic Steps) The couples must present the dance Group 1, otherwise they will receive a yellow or red card. So the couples must do always the Group 1 with 6 Basic Steps with contact and with changes of places and/or directions.

Basic step is: Kbc+kick+kick (only in this order)

Accepted movements/elements in Group1:

- Basic steps with contacts and changes of direction, classic and modern changes of places.
- Only the fully danced basic steps belong to this group.
- If the kick is replaced by lifting the knee or the heel IT ISN'T COUNTED AS A BASIC STEP!
- Both dancers must dance the basic step together at the same time.
- It is not necessary to have contact throughout the whole change of place, but it has to be unambiguously used as a couple element (contact at the beginning and the end of change of place).
- There should only be one basic step without any changes of directions and places with contact
- If the couple does the basic step without contact, in place (face to face, side by side...) it will not be counted to Group 1.

5. RR FORMATIONS – NEW JUDGING SYSTEM

The preparations of the New Judging System for RR Formations are in process. During the General Meeting in Rome we plan to organize a forum in order to see what is the future if Main Class formations, how can we get more formations, how can we motivate countries to participate also in this category.

6. ROCK'N'ROLL NEW JUDGING SYSTEM DOCUMENTS AND SEMINARS

Documents Version 5:

Don't miss – At the end of this week (06.02.2015) a new version of the documents for new judging system will be published. Please read them carefully. The documents were updated (especially the B-Class catalog), some sections better explained, and a new unified table of reductions for mistakes in acrobatics for the Main Class and B-Class will be published.

From 05-07.06.2016 one more examination for the new Rock'n'Roll judges will take place, in Ljubljana (Slovenia) The examination is open for all the candidates who were present on the RR NJS seminars in 2014, but have not yet given the exam. We will also organize one more seminar for the RR judges during the 2015. The seminar date will be published on the WRRC Calendar.

7. BOOGIE-WOOGIE JUDGE SEMINARS AND NEW JUDGING SYSTEM

There was no BW judging seminar in 2014 so all WRRC judges have to visit the seminar in 2015 in order to renew their licence. The seminar dates will be published on WRRC Calendar. The seminars will be already organized following some ideas of BW New Judging System since the scoring criteria has the same basis. The aim of the seminars is to improve the general knowledge of BW judges.

The final concept of the Boogie Woogie New Judging System will be presented on the General Meeting 2015 in Rome. During the 2015 all necessary preparations will be made (development of the new software, judging seminars, testing on competitions), and the implementation date will be on 01.01.2016.

8. WRRC MUSIC - INNOVATIONS VALID FROM 01.01.2015

Starting from January 2015, WRRC will again allow RR Youth/Junior couples to use their own final music. There are some rules which apply for the music:

- The compilation can be only made from the songs on the official WRRC CDs (it means you can only use the song from CD and not any other version of the same song)
- It is allowed to use different songs in one compilation
- Effects are not allowed (extra drums, flashes, special sounds, remixes...).
- It is only allowed to use an effect to finish the song (max 5 sec).
- The songs have to be approved by WRRC.
- The approval is only valid if the song ID is entered in the WRRC RegSW.

After the Fast Registration Process will be closed, we will introduce a new way of uploading and registering your music through the Registration Tool of WRRC. <u>Please, do not send any new music to the WRRC-Office thorough the e-mail</u>. The details about the new procedure will follow.

As we mentioned in Newsletter from May 2014 we would like to expand our WRRC-music catalog. Please send us your list for nominations of new songs (full songs with obligatory name of artist and name of song in high quality – preferable in FLAC or any other lossless high quality format) until 01.03.2015., with following in the "subject" field: *Nomination for the new music catalog*.

9. VOLUNTARY JUDGES - NEW CONECEPT OF DISTRIBUTION OF JUDGES

Following the practice from other sport disciplines WRRC has considered an option to use more than one judge from a country which was nominated to a judging panel on WRRC events (except for World or Continental Championships).

We confirmed the concept of a voluntary judges - it means additional judge(s) which country nominates for a specific event. In this way more judges from each country have the possibility to judge. The additional judges receive no reimbursement; the organizer is only obliged to treat them as other officials on the competition. General idea is that a country can use this option for its home event or for the events where the judges can travel by car and so they can share the cars and perhaps also a hotel.

If a country nominates a voluntary judge to a WRRC event this has no influence on the number of events for this country. The voluntary judge must be nominated together with other judges and the Sports director decides who will judge which category.

10. WRRC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – ROME, Italy, 13-15.03.2015

Please follow the information published under GM section on our home page. Please respect the deadline for announcements and your motions.

11. APPLICATION FOR EVENTS 2016 AND LATER (or last events for 2015)

Don't forget: if you want to organize a WRRC international event, you have to send your application at least one year in advance for championships and World Masters RR and 9 months in advance for other events. So it is time to send your applications for events in spring 2016 and of course all later events