



Quarterly

Newsletter

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Registry Events

September—December 2022

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- **BAVARIAN OPEN WCS**
September 8 - 11, 2022
- **TRILOGY SWING**
September 8 - 11, 2022
- **FALL FALL IN SWING**
- **AUSTIN ROCKS**
- **UKRAINIAN OPEN**
- **PHILLY SWING CLASSIC**
September 16 - 18, 2022
- **MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
September 22 - 25, 2022
- **BRIDGETOWN SWING**
September 22 - 25, 2022
- **BEST OF THE BEST**
September 22 - 25, 2022
- **CITADEL SWING**
- **FINNFEST**
September 23 - 25, 2022
- **OLD TOWN SWING**
- **THE BRAZILIAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**
- **ATLANTA SWING CLASSIC**
Sept 29– October 2, 2022
- **NORWAY WESTIE FEST**
- **ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIVE**
- **MIDLAND SWING OPEN**
Sept 30 - October 2, 2022
- **BOOGIE BY THE BAY (NASDE)**
October 6-9, 2022
- **MILAN MODERN SWING**
October 13-16, 2022
- **WCS FESTIVAL**
October 14-16, 2022
- **THE NEW ZEALAND OPEN**
October 14-16, 2022
- **SWUSTLICIOUS**
October 14-16, 2022
- **MONTREAL WESTIE FEST**
October 15-22, 2022
- **EUROPEAN SWING CHALLENGE**
- **SWING CITY CHICAGO**
October 20-23, 2022
- **PARADISE COUNTRY & SWING DANCE FESTIVAL**
October 20-23, 2022

New Registry Event Rules for 2023

The Board is in the process of revising the Registry Event rules, combining the WSDC Registry Event Rules and WSDC Points Registry Rules into one document. The new rules will be effective Jan 2023. Here are some of the major changes:

New venue requirements

Registry Events must be held in an approved venue that meets the following minimum requirements:

- a. Dance floor in main ballroom must be a minimum of 150 sq meters (1600 sq ft)
- b. Recommended accommodations must be available within a 10 min walk or event must provide shuttle that goes from/to accommodations suggested by event. If the latter, shuttles must run until the end of social dancing and are of sufficient frequency and capacity needed.
- c. Venue must provide full service (food and drink) and/ or options must be available nearby.
- d. Studios that meet the above requirements must be approved and have additional restrictions as follows:
 - i. A maximum of two (2) Registry Events may be held in the same studio per calendar year.
 - ii. A studio owner who is also the Owner / Event Director may hold a maximum of one (1) Registry Event in their studio.
- e. Registry Events in venues that do not currently meet these requirements have a three (3) year grace period (ending December 31, 2025) to meet the venue minimum requirements.

Thanks go out to the WSDC International Advisory Committee (IAC) for helping the Board create venue requirements that will work for our entire community!

WSDC is accepting new Trial Event applications for 2023

We are accepting new applications! We encourage existing events to submit their event forms for 2023 so that we can make sure our calendar list all of our members. This helps new event see what dates are available on the calendar.

Events that wish to apply for Registry Event status may now submit their applications to hold a Trial Event. Applications must be submitted 6 months prior to the Trial Events, and Trial Events will need to follow all Registry Event rules. No points will be awarded to competitors during a Trial Event. Please review events in your area to make sure that the date and location of your event meets the time and distance requirements from other existing WSDC events. The new venue requirements above should allow for more flexibility and opportunities.

To apply please email Demery Leyva for an application at wscnewevents@worldsdc.com

Submitting contest results—new addition

To our Scorekeepers and Event Directors:

We appreciate the hard work you do in running the contests! When submitting the scores, please include copies of all petitions (previously required, but not enforced) and a list of all unique Jack and Jill competitors (new requirement).

WSDC approves tracking of Sophisticated Jack and Jill contests

The WSDC Board will now track Sophisticated Jack and Jill contests, effective Jan 2023. Sophisticated is defined as age 35 or older by the close of the event.

WSDC Masters Jack and Jill contests must be open to all

The WSDC understands that some events may hold more than one Masters contests. However, effective Jan 2023, points will be awarded only to the Masters Jack and Jill contest which is open to all. This must be clearly stated to the competitors.

WSDC extends freeze of 3 year rule for Advanced and All Stars through 2023

Competitors will continue to benefit from the WSDC freeze of the 3 year rule through 2023, as dancers continue to return. This means Advanced dancers will continue to accumulate points that will qualify for All Stars (the points won't "expire").

Competitors dancing in a primary and a secondary role

WSDC has formalized new rules about competitors dancing in their primary and secondary roles. This is an excerpt from the rules document that will be published in the next few weeks that will take effect on January 1, 2023. Please note that as a competitor you need to read all of the rules and that there are sections that are not included here such as a Competitors responsibility in using their designated WSDC Competitor Id number and the use of the WSDC Skill Level Jack and Jill Advancement Chart to determine the skill level for a dancer's primary role.

Here are some highlights:

Competitors may compete in a maximum of two (2) skill level WSDC Jack and Jill competitions, once in their primary role and once in their secondary role (see limitations due to approved exceptions in Section 3.1 #1b and Section 3.2 Competitors: Skill Levels and Points Registry #7).

- a. Competitors must maintain their role, either as a Leader or Follower, throughout the contest.

Competitors may compete in either their primary or secondary role in other contests (see limitations due to approved exceptions in Section 3.1 #1b).

Competitors must dance one (1) level down in their secondary role, with the following exceptions:

- a. Competitors with points in both their primary and secondary roles at the same skill level must select only one (1) role to compete in (either their primary or secondary role) for that event's skill level contest.
- b. If competitor chooses to dance at a higher level in their primary role, they must dance one level down from that higher level (e.g., Competitor has 39 points in Intermediate as a Leader and has the option to dance in Advanced. They may choose to dance in Intermediate as Leader and in Novice as Follower OR in Advanced as Leader and in Intermediate as Follower.)
- c. Competitors who are Novice in their primary role may choose to dance in either Novice or Newcomer in their secondary role. If they choose to dance in their secondary role, they must adhere to rule #7a (i.e., they may only select only one (1) role to compete in for that event's skill level contest).

Note: Competitors must maintain their selected role, either as a Leader or Follower, during a Jack and Jill contest. (No switching.)

Upcoming Registry Events

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Trial Events are shown in blue

- **WARSAW HALLOWEEN SWING**
October 27 - 31, 2022
- **HALLOWEEN SWINGTHING**
October 27 - 30, 2022
- **SCANDINAVIAN OPEN WCS**
November 3 - 6, 2022
- **MOUNTAIN MAGIC DANCE CONVENTION**
November 3 - 6, 2022
- **MIDNIGHT MADNESS**
November 4-6, 2022
- **TAMPA BAY CLASSIC**
- **SIMPLY ADELAIDE WEST COAST SWING**
November 4-16, 2022
- **MOSCOW WESTIE FEST**
November 4-16, 2022
- **SEA TO SKY SEATTLE**
- **WESTIES ON THE WATER**
November 10-13, 2022
- **WESTIE ANGELS**
November 10-13, 2022
- **AUTUMN SWING CHALLENGE**
November 11-13, 2022
- **SWINGIN' NEW ENGLAND DANCE FESTIVAL**
- **DC SWING EXPERIENCE (DCSX)**
November 17-21, 2022
- **WESTIE PINK CITY**
November 18-20, 2022
- **US OPEN SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (NASDE)**
November 23 - 27, 2022
- **C.A.S.H. BASH WEEKEND**
November 24 - 27, 2022
- **WINTER WHITE WCS**
December 1-5, 2022
- **THE AFTER PARTY (TAP)**
December 1-4, 2022
- **UPSTATE DANCE CHALLENGE**
December 2-4, 2022

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Reminder: All contests are under the oversight of the WSDC, not just Jack and Jill contests

The WSDC Board is aware that some members of the community view the WSDC as “only” having oversight over Jack and Jill contests and the Points Registry. This is not the case. Contest oversight by the WSDC encompasses all contests held at the event, except when strictly excluded in our rules. Maintaining a high ethical standard for the event is of paramount importance for the Board.

Minimum number of competitors

As announced in our June 2022 newsletter, the minimum required number of unique competitors in Jack and Jills will remain at 60 through 2023. Thanks again to the IAC for providing the Board their guidance.

Judging and staying away from conflicts of interest

The Board wishes to emphasize that conflicts of interest, real or perceived, need to be avoided. This includes Chief Judge conflicts. Chief Judges may appoint an alternative Chief Judge when necessary for a specific contest.

Reminder: New Call back System for prelims can solve most ties!

To our Chief Judges: As events return, the Board has seen several instances where the new point values (Yes = 10; Alt 1 = 4.5; Alt 2 = 4.3; Alt 3 = 4.2; No = 0) for preliminary contests has been used, but the CJ’s scores are then used to break ties. The point values should be used to break ties, with the CJ’s scores used as a last resort. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Board.

Notes:

- Scoring systems should not use more than 3 levels of Alternates (i.e., no Alternate 4).
- At their discretion, the Chief Judge may ask judges to use only Alt 1s or Alt 1s & Alt 2s instead of all three levels of Alternates, for any specific contest. In larger contests, if more alternates are desired, the Chief judge may ask for two or more Alt 1s, Alt 1 & Alt 2s, or all three levels of Alternates.
- In the event of a tie, the Chief Judge continues to break ties.

https://www.worldsdc.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Call-Back-Scoring_white-paper.pdf

Thanks to our International Advisory Committee

The IAC has made several recommendations to the Board on Registry Event Rules which the Board has adopted:

- Maintaining the number of required competitors to 60
- Changing the venue requirement to meeting specific structural requirements (*see separate article for final approved requirements*), rather than hotels as the primary default venue
- Providing a 3 year pathway for current Registry Events to meet the new venue requirements

The Board continues to be thankful to the IAC for all their assistance this past year. We view this collaboration as a huge success, and hope that this team is willing to continue being our partner!

Help us keep our WSDC calendar up to date

As a reminder, Member events need to fill out an event form every year with their prospective dates and event details. We need your event listed and your partnership in keeping the calendar accurate not only to inform our dancers about your event, but also to assist new events that are applying for membership. We want to see your spot on the calendar, so that new events are able to select locations and dates that comply with our time distance rules.

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- **BERLIN SWING REVOLUTION**
December 8-11, 2022
- **SWINGTIMATE**
December 9-11, 2022
- **GLOBAL GRAND PRIX**
December 15-18, 2022
- **COUNTDOWN SWING BOSTON**
Dec 29, 2022, Jan 2, 2023
- **SWINGVESTER**
Dec 29, 2022 –Jan 2, 2023
- **FLOOR PLAY NEW YEARS SWING VACATION**
Dec 29, 2022 –Jan 1, 2023
- **PALM SPRINGS NEW YEAR’S WEST COAST SWING AND HUSTLE DANCE CLASSIC**
- **SPOTLIGHT NEW YEAR’S CELEBRATION**
- **NEW YEAR’S SWING FLING**

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