

Rules & Regulations
Australian Same Sex Dancesport Championships 2017
St Kilda Town Hall, Saturday 4th February 2017

Date: 4th February 2017
Venue: St Kilda Town Hall
Entry: Dancer's from 3:00pm for warm Up. Grading competition starts at 4:00pm
Spectators from 5:00pm

- Competition events start at 6pm and presentations should be over by approximately 11pm.
- Dancer's warm-up time from 3pm only competitors and coaches will be allowed entry at this time.
- Grading rounds from 4pm and public entry from 5pm.
- There will be social dancing between some of the competition events allowing for your costume and shoe changes etc.
- Competition registration and fees are due by 15th January 2017
- Late entries are not guaranteed and are at the organizers discretion.
- No commercial activities including filming or photography, in or around the dance venue are permitted without prior approval of the organizers. Personal video and camera shots are fine. This includes the sale of any articles, distribution of brochures and placement of posters. *Please note that advertising space in the program is available.*
- This event is part of Melbourne's Midsumma Festival, please go to www.midsumma.org.au for other festival event info and/or online tickets.

Competition information

- All competitors must be 18 years or older on the day of competition, proof of age is required upon entry.
- All competition couples must comprise of same sex partners, except for novelty events.
- All perpetual trophies must be returned in clean engraved order by 31st December 2016
- Novelty events must comprise of a female with a male partner. Either sex can lead or follow, and changing between leading and following is allowed during this event.
- Novelty events are for same sex OR opposite sex partners to encourage participation, diversity and fun.
- The competition is open to all levels of dancing from social dancing beginners and amateurs up to and including A grade and professional dancers. DSA registered dancers, this also includes dancers that may not be currently registered but have been registered in the last 12 months, should seek advice and or permission to dance in this non-registered/non-sanctioned competition. However, they are permitted to enter all the events **EXCEPT THE ALL BOYS AND ALL GIRLS EVENTS - THESE EVENTS ARE STRICTLY FOR SAME SEX COMMUNITY DANCERS - NON REGISTERED AND/OR DSA ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS.**
- Interchanging between leading and following is encouraged at this competition.
- All competitors must comply with the rules of this competition or disqualification may result.
- The organizers reserve the right to withdraw applications that do not adhere to the rules
- All adjudicator's decisions are final
- Competitor's score sheets will be available as soon as possible after the event
- Choreography which might endanger other couples is not permitted and lifts may cause immediate disqualification.
- In all competition events the music shall be played for approximately 1-2 minutes.
- Rumba & Waltz by the book event, figures permitted are ONLY those found in the technique book.
- Any creative choreography will result in disqualification.
- Waltz by the book event, figures permitted are only those found in the technique book.
- Any creative choreography will result in disqualification.
- This event is all about the community not the competition and any behaviour to the contrary is intolerable.