

## Rules & Regulations

### Australian Same Sex DanceSport Championships 2018

#### EVENT SUMMARY

Date: Saturday 3rd February 2018

Venue: St Kilda Town Hall

Duration : Registration from 5pm. Competitors must be ready for a 6pm start. Presentation of prizes will conclude at 11pm.

Entry: This event is a part of the Melbourne Midsumma Festival, please go to [www.midsumma.org.au](http://www.midsumma.org.au) for all ticketing as well as see the full range of festival events.

Competition registration form and payment must be submitted by the 8th January 2018.

Competitors will need to provide a \$5 deposit when collecting their number. The deposit will be refunded on the safe return of your number after your events are complete.

Late entries are not guaranteed and are at the organisers discretion.

Late withdrawals, those after the 8th January 2018 are non-refundable.

No commercial activities such as filming or photography, in or around the dance venue are permitted without the prior approval of the organisers. You are permitted to take photo's and video of your dancing for personal use.

You are permitted to bring food and snacks to the venue for the evening. Drinks are not permitted to be brought into the venue, but can be purchased onsite.

Sale of any article, distribution of brochures, placement of posters or any other marketing materials or activities is not permitted. If you wish to receive more information regarding promotional and sponsorship opportunities please contact the organisers.

#### COMPETITION RULES AND INFORMATION

All competitors must be 18 years or older on the of the competition, proof of age is required upon entry.

All competition couples, including Pro-Am, must comprise of same sex partners.

All Novice events are for first time Novice, or previous Novice competitors who have never won a Novice event.

Memorial 'By the book' events, are open to all competitors except Pro-Am and require entrants to use only the steps and choreography that appear in the technique book. Any non-standard choreography may result in disqualification.

Same Sex DanceSport events include the Open 5 Dance events as well as an intermediate 2 Dance and 4 Dance event. Competitors can choose to compete in either the 2 Dance or 4 Dance event, and are not permitted to compete in both. Pro-Am competitors can only enter the Open 5 Dance events.

Novelty events are open to all attendees on the day, except professional dancers and adjudicators.

All Perpetual Trophies must be cleaned and returned by the 31st December 2017.

Winners of the Open 5 Dance events will be asked to complete an honour dance at the conclusion of the presentation of prizes.

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 should seek advice and/or permission to dance at the event and can only enter the Open Events. This also includes dancers that may not be currently registered but have been registered in the last 12 months.

Competition events are up to 2 minutes per dance in duration. Interchanging between leading and following roles within the dance is encouraged. Choreography which might endanger other competitors is not permitted and may result in disqualification.

Competitors must be in the marshalling area a minimum of 2 events prior to their scheduled event. It is the responsibility of each competitor to know their events and their recall status.

Competitor's score sheets are available via DanceSport Live as soon as their event is completed.

All competitors must comply with the rules of this competition or may be disqualified.

All adjudicator's decisions are final.

Please submit all rules enquiries to [info@dancecats.com.au](mailto:info@dancecats.com.au). We will endeavour to respond to your email as soon as possible.