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PREAMBLE

- This regulation refers to CSIT Championships and Technical Commissions' general regulations adopted at the latest CSIT Congress. It cannot derogate from these regulations.
- CSIT organises amateur championships and has Fair Play as one of its most important aims. CSIT Championships are strictly open for amateur sportsmen. To participate in CSIT Championships the defined eligibility criteria per sport must be respected.
- All activities of the CSIT, including its championships are open to the members of the CSIT Unions, observer members Unions and members of the international Confederations which CSIT has signed cooperation agreements according to CSIT general regulations: COPADET (American Continent) / BAWWS (Balkan region) and ALSO (Central Africa); also non CSIT members, partners, governmental bodies, trade unions and companies can participate in the CSIT Championships.
- CSIT Championships are organised under the principal of a Zero Tolerance Policy. Not playing for political, religious or discriminatory reason will lead to an immediately exclusion of the team/athlete.
- CSIT Championships are under the regulations of WADA. It is possible athletes can be invited for doping test. More information can be found in the CSIT anti-doping policy which can be downloaded at the CSIT website: <http://www.csit.tv/en/news-service/download-area>
- CSIT Sporting activities (championships, training, tournaments, rallies, etc.) are organised under the responsibility of Technical Commissions by sport.
- CSIT Championships and Technical Commissions' general regulations and sports regulations can be downloaded from the download area of the CSIT website: <http://www.csit.tv/en/news-service/download-area>



1. DANCESPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

1.1 PERIODICITY / PARTICIPATION / AGE GROUPS

- CSIT Dancesport Championships take place from September to December.
- One male and one female athlete form a dancesport couple.
- A couple's age group is determined by the year of birth of the older member of the couple as follows. For senior and master competitors, also the younger partner must meet a minimal age requirement to compete in a superior age group. If this is not the case, the couple will dance in the lower age group until such time as the younger partner meets the minimum age requirement.
- For couples where the younger partner is more than 15 years younger than the minimum age for any given category, the couple may dance in the average Age Group (e.g.: Man is 65 years old; Lady is 49 years old; the couple may dance in the 55/60 Age Group).
- The age groups and divisions for Championships are:

Age Group Name	Closed Range	Open Range
Under 16	-	Less than 16
Youth	From 16 to 18	From 14 to 18
Under 21	From 19 to 20	From 16 to 20
Adult	From 19 to 34	From 16 onwards
Senior 1 / Over 35	From 35 to 44	From 35 onwards
Senior 2 / Over 45	From 45 to 54	From 45 onwards
Senior 3 / Over 55	From 55 to 64	From 55 onwards
Senior 4 / Over 65	From 65 to 69	From 65 onwards
Senior 5 / Over 70	From 70 to 74	From 70 onwards
Senior 6 / Over 75	From 75 onwards	From 75 onwards
Adult Master	From 18 to 34	From 18 onwards
Senior Master 1	From 35 to 44	From 35 onwards
Senior Master 2	From 45 to 54	From 45 onwards
Senior Master 3	From 55 to 64	From 55 onwards
Senior Master 4	From 65 onwards	From 65 onwards



1.2 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- CSIT World Sports Games are open to Under 16, Youth, Under 21, Adults who have not previously competed in Senior Categories, and Adult Masters who have not previously competed in Senior Master categories
- Championships can be Open or Closed and will consider the ranges indicated above in each case.
- Couples that qualify for Senior ranges may dance in Closed Adult events if they have not previously danced in Senior events.

1.3 ORGANISATION/REGULATIONS

- A CSIT Championship is an official Championships when the minimum requirements of participation are respected. *(see TC & Championships General Regulation – Chapter 4 under B)*
- Championships cannot last more than two (2) days (days of arrival and departure not included) in each category and discipline.

1.4 TECHNICAL PROGRAM

Dancesport World Championships will be held in the following styles and disciplines:

Under 16 Standard	Under 16 Latin American	Under 16 10 Dance
Youth Standard	Youth Latin American	Youth 10 Dance
Under 21 Standard	Under 21 Latin American	Under 21 10 Dance
Adult Standard	Adult Latin American	Adult 10 Dance
Over 35 Standard	Over 35 Latin American	Over 35 Ten Dance
Over 45 Standard	Over 45 Latin American	Over 45 Ten Dance
Over 55 Standard	Over 55 Latin American	Over 55 Ten Dance
Over 65 Standard	Over 65 Latin American	Over 65 Ten Dance
Over 70 Standard		
Over 75 Standard		
Adult Master Standard	Adult Master Latin American	Adult Master Ten Dance
Senior Master 1 Standard	Senior Master 1 Latin American	Senior Master 1 Ten Dance
Senior Master 2 Standard	Senior Master 2 Latin American	Senior Master 2 Ten Dance
Senior Master 3 Standard		
Senior Master 4 Standard		



- At the CSIT World Sports Games Senior competitions will not be held.
- Elimination rounds will be danced following general scheme outlined below. The competition Chairperson has the faculty to change these rounds based on competition entry:

Round	From	To	Dances
Eliminatory	250	192	4
Eliminatory	192	156	4
Eliminatory	156	120	4
Eliminatory	120	96	4
Eliminatory	96	48	4
Eighth Final	48	24	5
Quarter Final	24	12	5
Semi Final	12	6	5
Final	6	Result	5

- For ten dance competitions, no more than 5 rounds may be danced in one day, and dances in the round of 96 shall be no more than 6 (3 Latin and 3 Standard)
- Couples may be awarded exemptions from the first rounds of competitions based on their position in the Dancesport Heritage Ranking List (see www.dancesportheritage.com). The number of stars shall be decided by the Chairperson and published the day before the competition.

1.5 PROGRAM PROPOSAL

The Chairperson shall formulate the competition timetable to the organising committee and Technical Chairperson. The competitions shall be distributed allowing couples to have the appropriate recovery time of at least 20 minutes between any two rounds. Competitions must be concluded within 8 hours from the first round of the day to the last round of the same day.

2. PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

2.1 PARTICIPATING COUPLES

- All competitors are welcome to compete in CSIT Championships, with respect to 1.2 (Eligibility Criteria).
- In CSIT World Sports Games couples may participate in only one age group for each discipline.



3. FAIR PLAY

CSIT championships are organised according to the principles of Fair Play. During CSIT Championships athletes, persons and teams can be awarded for acts of Fair Play.

Fair Play regulations can be found in the CSIT Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations edition 2016 and later, Chapter 5.

4. REGISTRATION / FUNDING

4.1 REGISTRATION DELAY

- Registration must be made within the closing date of entries 15 days before the championships. Late entries will not be accepted.

4.2 COVERING CHARGES

- Participants will cover their own travel and board to compete at CSIT Championships;
- Unions are free to pay or sponsor representatives to participate in CSIT Championships.
- Participants will pay an entry fee established with the organizing committee and the Technical Committee for participation. This must be paid together with registration to the competition and is not refundable.
- The organiser will make sure that travel from the nearest airport to the competition venue is easily accessible by public or private transport and will make efforts to organise official hotels for competitors, judges and staff.

4.3 CANCELLATION POLICY

- CSIT has a cancellation policy. This cancellation policy covers the payments at preliminary and final registration and the refund payments by cancellation of a participating party or by the host of the championship.
- The article in detail can be found in Chapter 4. under I of the Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations.



5. ORGANISATION/PREPARATION

5.1 ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- The organising committee by the host is in charge of the preparation and organisation of the championship. The CSIT Technical Commission and a representative of the organising committee are in charge of the management of the championship during its duration. See Chapter 4 under E of the Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations.

5.2 INVITATIONS

The organising committee sends championships invitations to every CSIT Union (and partners), company sports organisations and guests etc. at least four (4) months before the start of the championship. Invitations must include this information:

- Participation;
- Sporting activities, social and cultural program;
- Judges Required;
- Boarding facilities and official partners;
- Arrival and departure information (local airports, transport, etc)
- If possible, general program.

Detailed information can be found in Chapter 4 under D of the Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations.

The organiser must contact and invite staff and judges based on the indications of the Technical Committee, contacting each person personally via email, WhatsApp or telephone.

5.3 PREPARATION

Depending on the situation and with the CSIT Sports Director's authorization, a member of the Technical Commission (Chairperson or secretary) or their delegate can visit the location where the championship is organised, at least three (3) months before it starts, to settle with the organising Union planning and preparation of the championship. Travelling expense can be covered under certain conditions by the funds awarded to the **Dancesport** Technical Commission by the CSIT.

The competition setup must include:

A laid floor wooden floor measuring at least 28m x 14m and maximum 30m x 15m. The length of the floor must be twice the width. The ideal lighting and audio equipment is as follows. Different types of lighting or sound setup must be approved by the technical committee.

- TOTEM DIAMETER CM 40X40 MD ITALY ALTEZZA MT 7,5 (for scenery) nr. 6
- LINEAR TRUSS CM 40X40 MD ITALY (for scenery) ml 45
- BLACK THEATRE CURTAINS (fireproof) ALTEZZA MT 7,0 ml 50
- TOTEM DIAMETER CM 30X30 MD ITALY ALTEZZA MT 6,5 (for lights) nr. 4
- LINEAR TRUSS CM 30X30 MD ITALY (for lights) ml 30
- LEDWALL MT 4X3 INFILED STEP 3,9 nr. 1

- PIN SPOT *****HALOGEN** - 2000 WATT nr. 30
- PAR LED PROEL nr. 20
- ROBE 100 nr. 12
- BEAM MINI POINT ROBE nr. 8
- ACOUSTIC SPEAKERS (totale 6000 watt) nr. 6
- DIGITAL MIXER n.1
- DJ MIXER nr. 1
- RADIO MICROFONO SENNHEISER nr. 2
- LAID WOODEN FLOOR (fireproof) MT 15X30 nr. 1
- WOODEN TABLES nr. 18
- TABLECLOTHS DIAMETRO CM 330 (for round tables) nr. 18
- TABLE COVERS CM 220X220 (and change) nr. 36
- RECTANGULAR TABLES CM 220X80 (competition direction and management) nr. 4
- GRAPHIC PANELS IN FRONT OF TABLES MT 4,50X80 + ALETTE 80X100 nr. 2
- SQUARE TABLES CM 80X80 (for presenter) nr. 2
- TABLECLOTHS BLACK CM 220X220 (competition direction, management and speaker) nr. 8
- SEATING For at least nr. 160/180
- CARPET FOR FLOOR COVERAGE mq 400/500
- TENDIFLEX (da mt 2) nr. 10/30
- CORDONED AREA FOR SPECIAL GUESTS AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
- BACK DROP (for photos/interviews) MT 4X3 (printed + truss 30x30) nr. 1
- TNT NERO (to cover elements in sports hall)
- Fireproof Printed Graphics for scenery

The following is a rendering of the floor and competition environment as it should be set up for Championships and World Sports Games:

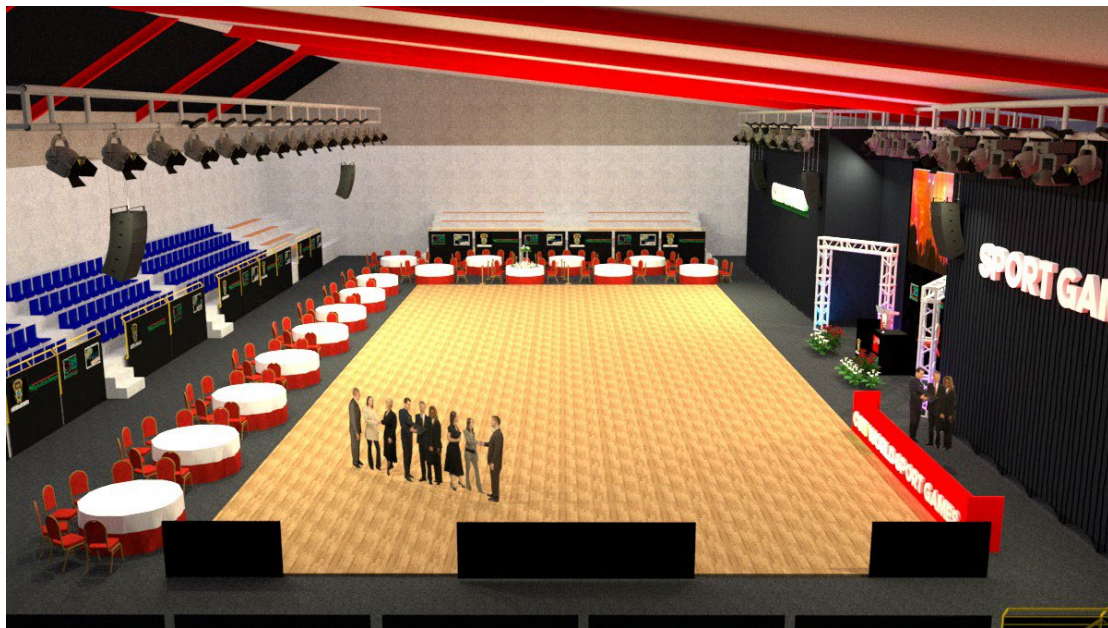
Stage Left Side View:



Frontal View: Stage and Scenery



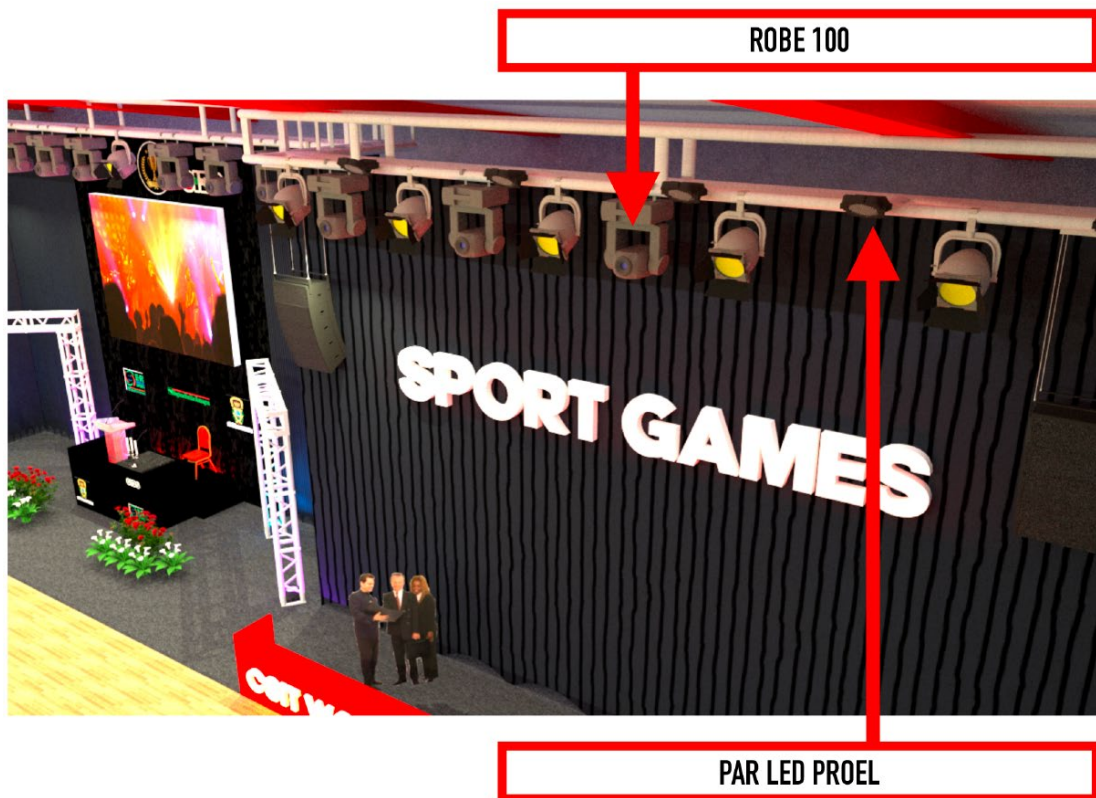
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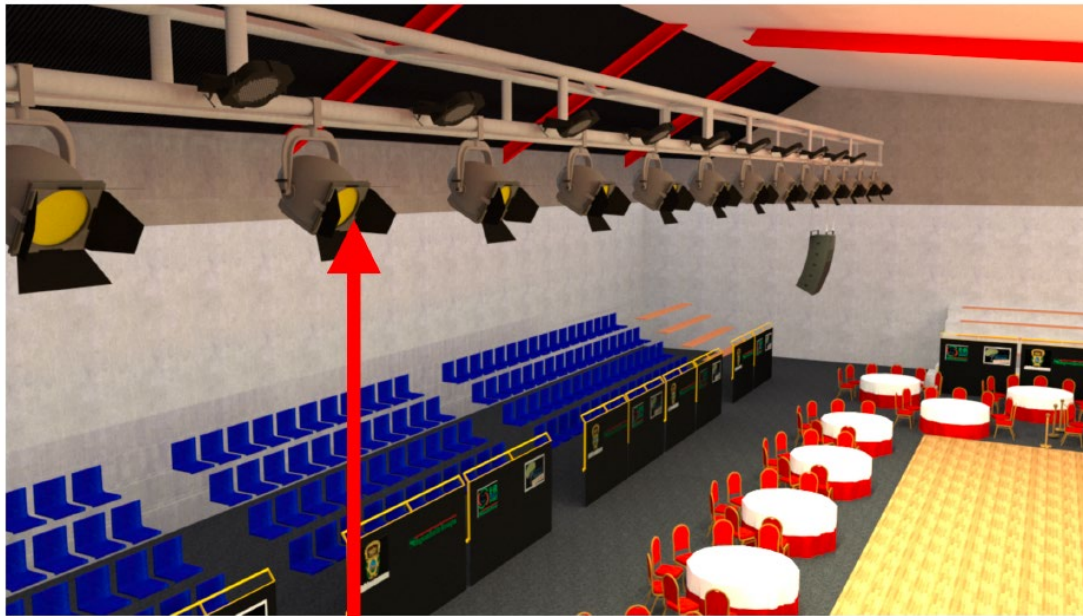
Stage Right View:



Labelled Stage Left View:



Labelled Audience View:



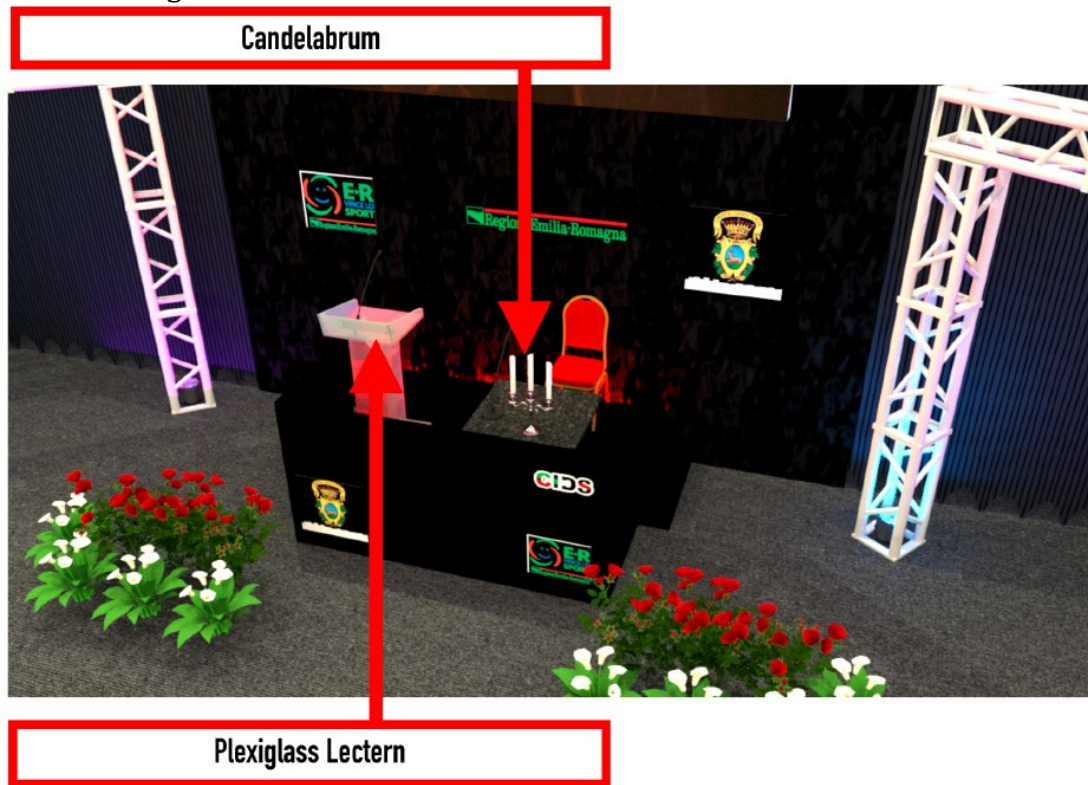
Pin Spots (2000W Halogen)

Labelled Stage Right View:

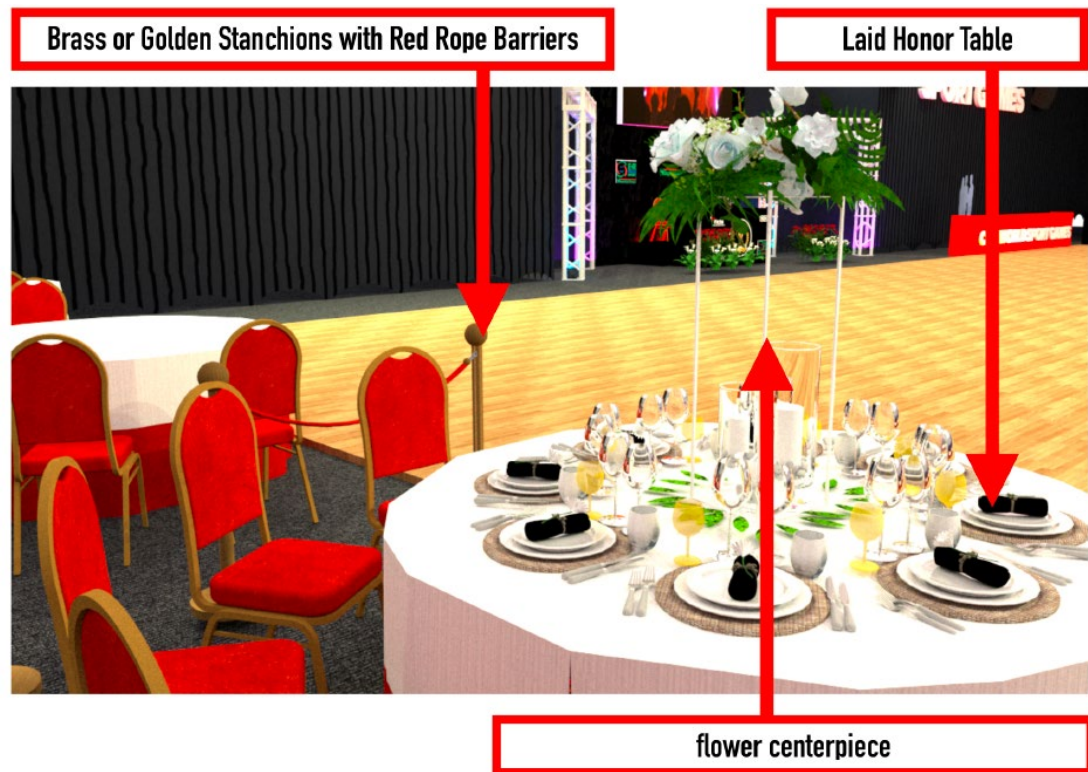
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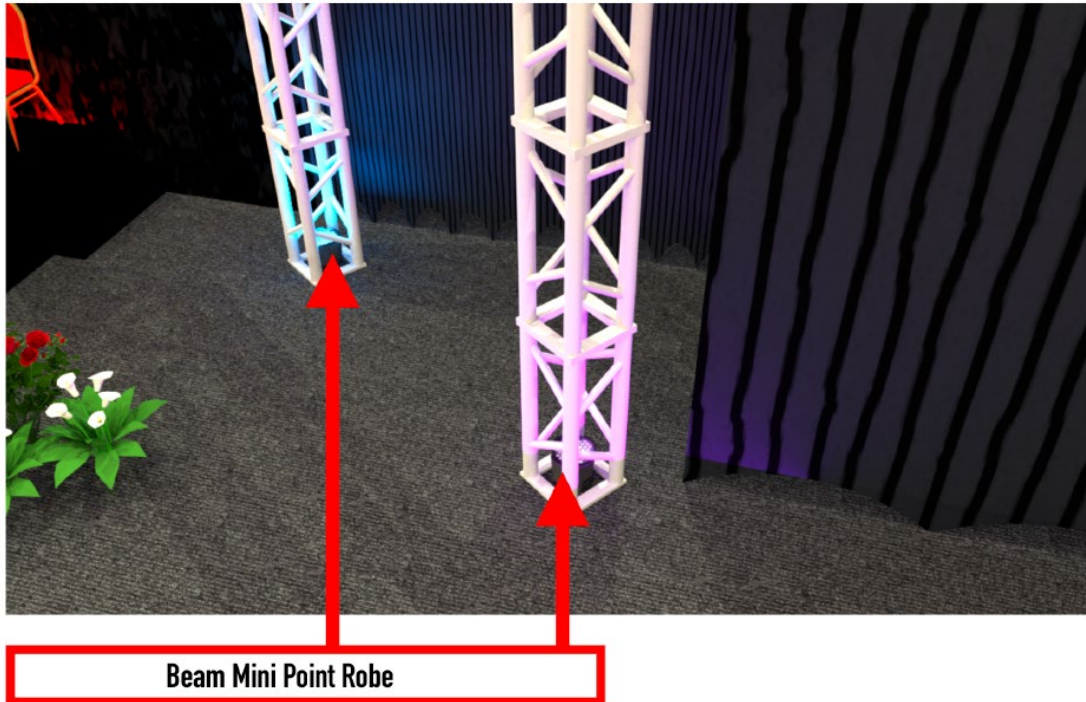
Labelled Stage View:



Labelled Guest of Honour Table:



Labelled lighting for Truss Towers:



5.4 REPORT

Within seven 7 days after the Championships the secretary of the Technical Commission will send the results of the Dancesport Championship to the Sports Director and office of CSIT.

No later than one (1) month after the end of the championship, the Technical Commission secretary must send a report about the championships and all the sport results plus the minutes of the TC meetings to the members of the Dancesport Technical Commission, to the Unions, to the Sports Director and to the office of CSIT.



6. JUDGES AND COMPETITION OFFICIALS

The competition officials are as follows:

- **Competition Chairperson** – The Chairperson is a non-voting and impartial judge. The Chairperson shall plan the competition timetable and rounds making sure all competition rules are respected during the planning of the event. They shall direct the rounds of the competition certifying its compliance with all rules and shall coordinate communication with athletes and judges.
- **Competition Manager** – The Competition Manager shall coordinate all aspects of the competition from entry to result publication coordinating the secretarial aspects of the competition coordinating timing, scrutiny, announcements, technical and electronic issues.
- **Time Management Official** – The Time Management official shall coordinate announcement, break and dance times to adhere to the competition timetable and ensure the on time running of each event.
- **Scrutineer(s)** – Shall process the results of each round and verify judges' marks, referring couple selection to the Competition Manager.
- **Announcer** – Shall announce each event and results in accordance with the competition protocol.
- **DJ** – shall play approved music provided by the Technical Committee and following the timing indicated by the Time Management Official.
- **Judges** – judges adhere to the instructions of the Competition Chairperson including arrival times. Judges should refer any technical problems to the Competition Manager and direct judging issues to the Competition Chairperson.
- **Floor marshals and assistants** – at least fifteen volunteer staff members must be made available during the whole competition. Their roles and responsibilities will be explained by the Competition Manager in a general meeting the day before the event.
- **Cleaners** – it is the host's responsibility to maintain the competition hall clean at all times. Normally two times a day (after morning and evening sessions) – at least four staff members are required.

All judges and officials will be selected by the Technical Commission.



7. REGISTRATION TO THE EVENTS AND WITHDRAWAL OF THE NUMBERS

- The entries per event will be registered at the latest at the opening technical meeting.
- The withdrawal of numbers takes place no less than one hour before the competition. Changes of entries must be confirmed with the Competition Manager.
- One number will be given to each couple for the championship and all events in which the couple participates.

8. RULES OF THE EVENTS

Rounds and Finals

- All phases of competition will use the International Skating System
- The number of rounds will be formulated by the Chairperson based on the entries received before the close of entries.
- Entries received after the closing date will only be considered if they do not influence the number of rounds in the competition timetable. If added entries affect the number of rounds required to run the competition, the Chairperson will decide whether to accept the entries.
- No less than half the competing couples will be chosen for the successive round of competition, until a final of 6 couples is reached (up to 10 in the case of late entries), except when more couples qualify through ties (e.g. if 13/24 couples qualify for the following round, 6 couples will still be selected for the final).

Judges

- Judging panels will be composed of an uneven number of judges of no less than 5 judges.
- Panels may be varied from one round to another at the discretion of the Chairperson.
- Selected judges must communicate any incompatibility (competing athletes or other judges on the same panel who are direct family members) to the Chairperson.



Syllabus Invigilator

- In all competitions requiring syllabus regulations, one or more invigilators will be nominated by the Chairperson and to check and monitor the figures performed during the competition. In case of incompatible figures, the Invigilator will propose appropriate measures to the Chairperson, on whom rests the final decision. The Chairperson may choose between:
 - Verbal Warning (recommended course of action) – no direct consequences on the result of the competition;
 - Single dance disqualification– the couple is placed last in the dance in which the infringement occurred;
 - Event disqualification (only for excessive/repeated infringements) – the couple is placed last in the round in question..

Competition Dances

- Latin American Section: Samba, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Paso Doble and Jive
- Standard Section: Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Slow Foxtrot and Quickstep
- In elimination round, less dances may be chosen and at random by the Chairperson.

The duration of each dance can vary based on the competition timetable and the decision of the Chairperson but will have a minimum duration of (in minutes) 1 minute and 10 seconds. Semi-final and final rounds in Championships for ages up to Adult should be danced with no less than 1 minute and 25 seconds and in Senior competitions 1 minute and 15 seconds.

Tempo- The tempo of each dance will respect the range denoted by the current technique books.

9. APPEAL COMMITTEE

- The Appeal Committee is composed of:
 - The CSIT Technical Commission's Chairperson
 - The CSIT Technical Commission's secretary
 - The Competition Chairperson
- Appeals for technical reasons must be brought to the attention on the Appeal Committee no later than half an hour after the incident, providing all the necessary information.

Detailed information can be found in Chapter 4 under L of the Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations.



10. AWARDS

- The first three couples will be awarded a cup or medals: gold for first place; silver for second place; bronze for third place, and the remaining finalists with certificates.
- Rewards are awarded by representatives of the Technical Commission as well as by the organizers.

Detailed information can be found in Chapter 5 under F of the Technical Commissions and Championships General Regulations.

11. TECHNICAL COMMISSION MEETINGS

- The Technical Commission Chairperson or secretary is in charge of convening a meeting of the commission before and at the end of the championship. A summon containing the date and agenda will be sent to all Unions at least three (3) months ahead of schedule. The committee, organisers, competition Chairperson and competition manager attend.
- A preparation and information meeting is organised before the championships under the responsibility of the Chairperson (and/or Technical Committee secretary and head of the organising committee from the organising Union) to inform all delegations of the planning of the championship, to appoint referees to matches, to bring clarifications to regulations if necessary ... to make the event a success.
- The purpose of the meeting after the championships is to evaluate the championship, to proceed with the modifications of the present regulations if necessary, to prepare future events (planning of next championships) and elections, to take into account the reports on the CSIT congress.

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