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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Selecting WDSF-certified adjudicators and using an approved judging system is paramount for the development of DanceSport (Standard, Latin, Breaking) in WDSF as an Olympic Sport. WDSF held several Education Congresses and Exams to license adjudicators for use at national, and international competitions levels.
- 1.2 This Management of National Ranking Policy has been drawn up by Singapore DanceSport Federation (SGDF), with the World DanceSport Federation (WDSF) Code of Ethics and the Adjudicators' Code of Conduct and Standards of Ethics, and is applicable to all adjudicators (DanceSport) to show their commitment to providing quality services and expertise.
- 1.3 The use of a transparent and sustainable judging system (scrutineering system) has been a basic requirement by the IOC. Adjudicator education, licensing and training is the logic consequence as well as the avoidance of any conflict of interest such as "Coach/Trainer judging his/her students" or "active Athlete judging his/her fellow competitors".
- 1.4 The nomination / invitation of active athletes to judge national or international events is not acceptable!

### 2. OBJECTIVES OF POLICY

- 2.1 This policy is to lay a common platform for all athletes to be ranked in similar circumstances, thus minimising confusion.
- 2.2.1 Athletes in the Standard or Latin discipline will be commonly gauged on the standard 4 criteria as follows:
  - 1) TQ Technical Qualities
  - 2) MM Movement to Music
  - 3) PS Partnering Skills
  - 4) CP Choreography and Partnership
- 2.2.2 Athletes in the Breaking discipline will be commonly gauged on the 2 systems:
  - 1) ThreeFold Judging System (3 judging criteria) for National Level Competitions;
  - 2) Trivium Judging System (6 judging criteria) is to be used for all WDSF Championships and Games
- 2.2.2 Facilitating the self-regulation of adjudication standards of adjudicators, as well as consumers of adjudication services
- 2.2.3 Elevating the status of adjudicating as a vocation
- 2.2.4 To increase the public's confidence in the adjudicators.

2.2.5 Since January 1998, there has been one Ranking List for Latin and one for Standard.

The WDSF only recognises ranking points award by the WDSF, or from their member associations. Ranking points award by any other associations are not valid for selection to WDSF competitions/Multi-Sport Games.

Ranking points, according to the Schedule, will be given to SGDF members who compete in all local designated ranking competitions endorsed by the SGDF. The ranking points will be accumulated over 12 months.

- 2.2.6 All SGDF athletes who wish to be selected / nominated for the following:
  - A) Olympic, Commonwealth, Asian, Asian-Indoor Games, South-East Asia Games
  - B) WDSF World Championships (World Standard, World Latin, World Breaking)
  - C) WDSF Continental Championships (Asian, Asia-Pacific)

must be ranked.

Athletes based overseas are required to compete at the Nationals for ranking points.

### 3. THE RANKING POINT SCHEDULE

3.1 The Ranking Point Schedule accumulated over a running period of 12 months is as follows:

POSITION	RANKING POINTS		
1 <sup>st</sup>	15.0		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	13.0		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.0		
4 <sup>th</sup>	9.0		
5 <sup>th</sup>	8.0		
6 <sup>th</sup>	7.0		
<b>7</b> <sup>th</sup>	5.0		
8 <sup>th</sup>	4.5		
9 <sup>th</sup>	4.0		
10 <sup>th</sup>	3.5		
11 <sup>th</sup>	3.0		
12 <sup>th</sup>	2.5		
13 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	0.5		
25 <sup>th</sup> and above	0.1		

- 3.2 As an added impetus, National Ranking events which includes participation of athletes from overseas countries, will have the Ranking Point doubled ie times 2 (x2).
- 3.3 The results and ranking will be posted on the official SGDF website within 4 days after the end of the championships.

# 4. CHANGES TO THE POLICY

- 4.1 Singapore Dancesport Federation is committed to ensuring all policies are up-to-date and reflect current practices.
- 4.2 Changes to this policy may be submitted by SGDF Board for review and approval. Once a change has been approved, the policy will be updated and posted on the SGDF website.
- 4.3 In the event of any question or matter arising out of any point which is not expressively provided for in the rules, the Board shall have power to use their own discretion.