WDSF temporary instructions for the Organization of WDSF Competitions
Period: 1st September - 31st December 2020*

The WDSF is working hard to develop and prescribe certain measures and conditions for the organization of events. As soon as the conditions exist and the situation allows to permit organizing events, we will inform you all promptly. Until that moment comes, we have prepared the following short instructions for organizers to start planning their competitions, whilst always thinking about the well-being of all athletes and officials.

**Enforcing these regulations:** *This is the responsibility of the organizer and the WDSF Chairperson*
**Supervising organ:** *WDSF Sports Department*

1. **Registration/Check-in**
   
a. Only online registration will be allowed.
b. Preferably online or wireless payments.
c. It is necessary to organize several check-in desks located at a sufficient distance from each other. Organizer staff will take all necessary measures to organize the athletes in the queue with the required social distancing between couples or individuals (partners of the same couple, members of the same family and persons living together don’t need to keep distance).
d. It is compulsory for Staff at the registration to wear masks.
e. Organizing staff will require all persons in the queue to wear masks.
f. During the online registration, athletes will need to accept (by clicking) declaration of compliance with minimum health requirements and information about possible risks.

2. **The dressing room**
   
a. The organizer will provide the number and size of dressing rooms according to the amount of previously registered couples to permit social distancing.
b. Timetable: all possible measures will be taken in order to avoid inappropriate gatherings of athletes in the dressing room.

*This time limit can be changed according to the development of the COVID-19*
c. Athletes will not be able to arrive earlier than 2 hours before their first round starts. If this happens, they will need to stay in the auditorium. The control of time limits for athletes will be controlled at the registration/entrance point. Athletes will be advised accordingly at the organizer’s website during registration.
d. Chairperson, organizer and staff will ask the athletes to leave the dressing room very soon after their prize presentation. Athletes (participating in the competition on that day) will have to stay in the auditorium but without the need to buy a ticket.
e. The dressing rooms will be disinfected before and after competition day, and if possible at least once during the day. Hand sanitizer must be available in each dressing room.
f. The toilets for athletes will be disinfected at least 3 times per day.

3. Adjudicators’ area
   a. Adjudicators’ area will need to be disinfected at least once per day.
   b. Reasonable social distancing between sitting places will be provided by the organizer.
   c. The organizer will take all necessary measures to protect food and drinks from possible contamination.
   d. The organizer will provide hydro-alcoholic gel for adjudicators in the Adjudicators’ area.
   e. The toilet for adjudicators needs to be disinfected at least 3 times per day.
   f. The adjudicators will not wear masks during their judging but will maintain a reasonable distance between themselves.

4. Result announcement
   a. To avoid gatherings, the results should not be published on the wall inside of the venue or on board. Result announcements from round to round will be presented by the MC and displayed on the big screen (on the stage if possible).

5. Amount of couples per heat
   a. The Chairperson will make the decision according to all surrounding conditions of the dance floor. The guiding measure for a Chairperson will be a minimum of 30 square meters per couple.
6. **Entrance and Exit the competition floor**
   a. The organizer will have to ensure an entrance to the dance floor and opposite to it an exit for the athletes, at least 3 meters width. If it is reasonable, the organizer will ensure more than one entrance and more than one exit.
   b. Competition staff will control the reasonable social distancing between couples before entering the dance floor.

7. **The Dance floor area**
   a. The organizer and organizer’s staff will make all possible efforts to avoid inappropriate social distancing around the dance floor.

8. **Prize giving ceremony**
   a. The prize ceremony will be celebrated just after the finals; couples will not leave the dance floor and will maintain reasonable distance after the last dance and the beginning of the prize presentation.
   b. No podium will be used unless the podium is of at least 2 meters width for each place platform.
   c. During the prize presentation, all couples will be separated at least 1.5 metres between each couple.
   d. Kissing, handshaking and hugging will not be allowed during the prize presentation.
   e. Medals will be given in hand instead putting them around the neck of the athlete.
   f. The trophy will be given to the athletes maintaining maximum distance possible.
   g. During the honour dance, the watching couples will maintain a reasonable distance between them.

9. **Opening ceremony**
   a. Flag carrying is allowed for a maximum of 4 persons.
   b. To avoid grouping couples inside and outside the floor, a march ceremony will not be allowed.
   c. One-by-one march ceremony will be allowed, always providing that no gatherings will be permitted in the backstage or around the dance floor.
10. Oath is allowed
   a. The athletes’ and adjudicators’ oaths will be conducted as prescribed in the WDSF Competitions Rules.
   b. Oaths will be pronounced with mask in front of a standing microphone, speakers will approach microphone one by one. Speakers will not touch the microphone. It is possible to speak without a mask in case each speaker has a separate microphone.

11. The sitting places around the floor
   a. They will be placed with reasonable social distancing, according to the local government regulations.

12. Public areas/Auditorium
   a. All restrictions concerning the auditorium and surroundings of the venue will be according to the Local Government restrictions. In addition to this regulation, the audience will wear masks in the venue. The organizing staff will be in charge to enforce this measure.
   b. At all entrances to the Competition Venue disinfecting mat for audience, athletes and officials together with hydro-alcoholic gel will be provided by the organizer.
   c. The organizer will provide for the sale of protective face masks outside the venue.
   d. All organizing staff will wear masks.

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