



After due consideration the ABD has decided to alter its
**Opportunity/Novice Ruling for
ALL Festival/Competition Entries**

Solos

An Opportunity/Novice dancer is a dancer who has not been placed (1st – 4th) in either a Stage or a Classical discipline (either in an Opportunity/Novice or Open section) in either an ABD organised festival/competition or any other festival/competition that they have previously entered.

A decision has been made regarding sections offered by the ABD and these will be as follows:-

Junior Stage	Opportunity/Novice Solo
Junior Classical	Opportunity/Novice Solo
Inter Stage	Opportunity/Novice Solo
Inter Classical	Opportunity/Novice Solo
Senior Stage	Opportunity/Novice Solo
Senior Classical	Opportunity/Novice Solo

Competitors will be restricted to **two (2) entries per age section and category.**

Eg. **Junior Stage** – 1st Entry **Tap** & 2nd Entry **Modern**

Inter Classical – 1st Entry **Ballet** & 2nd Entry **Character**

There will be NO Opportunity/Novice sections for Baby, Duets or Trios.

Troupes & Groups

There will be an Opportunity/Novice section for Troupes/Groups .

Here the ruling is the entered dance must not have been placed (1st – 3rd) in either a Stage or a Classical discipline (either in an Opportunity/Novice or Open section) in either an ABD organised festival/competition or any other festival/competition that it has previously taken part in.

Clarification of Categories

Stage Dances

Acro/Freestyle/Hip Hop/Lyrical/Modern/Own Arrangement/Soft Musical Comedy/Song & Dance/Tap

Classical Dances

(Ballet/Character/Contemporary/Greek/National)