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# TECHNICAL RULES

DISCIPLINE:

**FITKID**



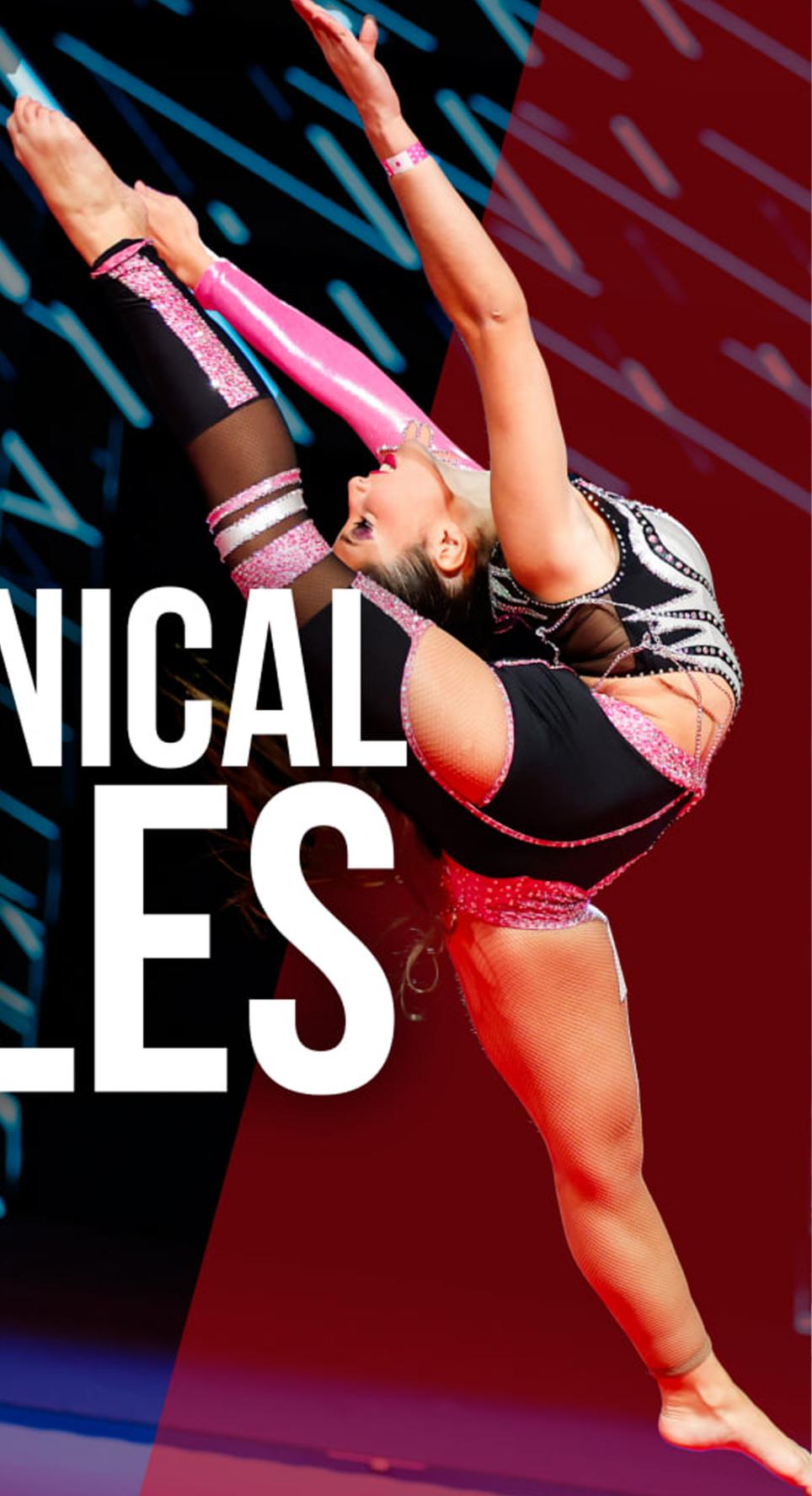
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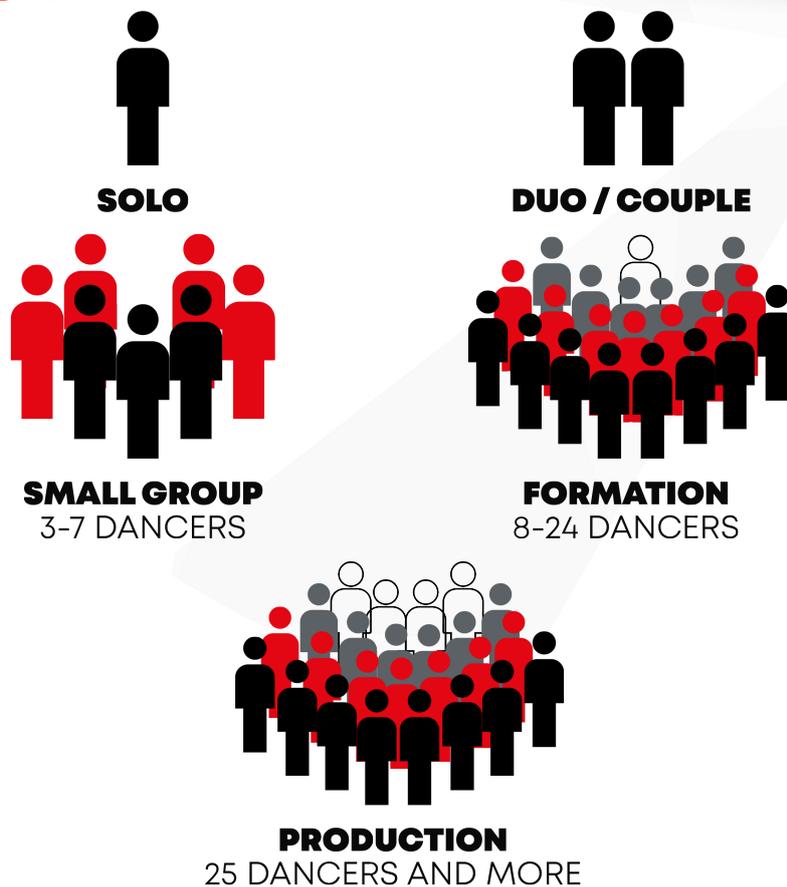
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# TYOLOGY



# AGE DIVISIONS

## AGE DIVISIONS IN SOLO, DUO AND COUPLE

<b>MINI</b>	<b>UP 9 Y.O.</b>
<b>YOUTH*</b>	<b>10-13 Y.O.</b>
<b>YOUTH 1</b>	<b>10-11 Y.O.</b>
<b>YOUTH 2</b>	<b>12-13 Y.O.</b>
<b>JUNIOR</b>	<b>14-16 Y.O.</b>
<b>ADULT</b>	<b>17 Y.O. AND OVER</b>

## AGE DIVISIONS IN SMALL GROUP, FORMATION AND PRODUCTION

<b>MINI</b>	<b>UP 9 Y.O.</b>
<b>YOUTH</b>	<b>10-13 Y.O.</b>
<b>JUNIOR</b>	<b>14-16 Y.O.</b>
<b>ADULT</b>	<b>17 Y.O. AND OVER</b>

\*Division into Youth 1 and Youth 2 is possible only if there is a sufficient number of registered participants.

Dancer's age is considered with reference to the calendar year (January 1st - December 31st). Dancers who participate in Ranking Competitions that start in October will be considered with reference to the following calendar year (which means one (1) year older). Having reached the age limit for each Age Division, dancers pass to the older Age Division automatically.

# PENALTIES

Dancers who fail to respect the Rules will be subject to the following penalties:

PENALTIES	DESCRIPTION
<p><b>5 points</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Performing without a start number;</li> <li>- Failure to comply with the requirement to perform for the entire duration of the designated music track (penalty applied by the Adjudicators);</li> <li>- Dancer's fall causing an interruption of the performance, lasting less than one musical bar;</li> <li>- Whose music duration is over/under the permitted time limit;</li> </ul>
<p><b>10 points</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dancer's fall causing an interruption of the performance, lasting more than one musical bar;</li> </ul>
<p><b>Last place</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use of stage decorations;</li> <li>- Use of props;</li> <li>- Use of accessories;</li> <li>- Choreography based solely on one dance style that exists as a separate IDF discipline and is covered by separate IDF Rules;</li> <li>- Dancer's fall that causes the performance to stop completely or results in the dancer leaving the stage early.</li> <li>- Failure to appear on stage after being called for the third time;</li> <li>- Dancers of MINI Age Division who:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- execute more than 1 (one) aerial cartwheel, 1 (one) back handspring and 1 (one) round-off back handspring;</li> <li>- who perform lifts where one partner's hips are above the head of the supporting partner in a standing position.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

# MUSIC REQUIREMENTS

No specific requirements for music genres in this discipline.

- Music tempo is not restricted.

ROUND	MUSIC DURATION				
	SOLO	DUO/COUPLE	SMALL GROUP	FORMATION	PRODUCTION
Preliminaries					
Semi-final	1:00" - 2:00"	1:00" - 2:00"	2:00" - 3:00"	3:00" - 5:00"	3:00" - 5:00"
Final					
	Own music				

# TECHNIQUES, CHARACTERISTICS AND MOVEMENTS

The choreographed piece may be composed of any of the existing dance techniques. FitKid allows dancers to use the genres that are the existing IDF disciplines, but only if they are mixed together or mixed with the genres not covered by the IDF rules. Dancers are obliged to perform Acrobatic Elements, which might be individual or combined. There are no limits on the number of acrobatic elements allowed. When executing combinations there can be no steps put between the acrobatic elements of which the combination is composed. The combination where acrobatic elements are divided by other steps is not considered a combination.

Each acrobatic element must be presented correctly with the correct technique and aesthetic for each acrobatic, with respect of safety.

A 100% correct acrobatic element must necessarily fulfil the following criteria:

1. Safety;
2. Amplitude;
3. Speed of execution during the acrobatic phase;
4. Quality of technical and aesthetic execution;
5. Fluidity;
6. Control;
7. Perfect landing.

It is expected that dancers (Solo, Duo/Couple, Small Group, Formation, Production) build their performances focusing on execution technique of acrobatic elements, dance technique, choreography, presentation and gymnastic skills.

All dancers are required to perform for the entire duration of the designated music track. To present their performances, each dancer (Solo, Duo/Couple, Small Group, Formation, Production) is expected to use the whole available space.

**This discipline has specific requirements for the competition area surface:  
interlocking puzzle mats.**

# RESTRICTIONS



**Stage Decorations, Props, Accessories.** Use of stage decorations **is prohibited**. Use of props **is prohibited**. Use of accessories **is prohibited**.



**Acrobatic and Gymnastic Elements, Lifts and Supports.** Acrobatic and gymnastic elements **are permitted** (with restriction in MINI Age Division).

Lifts and Supports **are permitted** (with restrictions in MINI Age Division).

## MINI Age Division restrictions:

Dancers **are not allowed** to execute more than 1 (one) aerial cartwheel, 1 (one) back handspring and 1 (one) round-off back handspring.

Dancers **are not allowed** to execute lifts where one partner's hips are above the head of the supporting partner in a standing position.

It is also **forbidden any change** of costume during the performance on stage.

# JUDGING CRITERIA

Overall mark given by the Adjudicators is calculated as the sum of marks for each criterion. The criteria, in order of importance, are as follows:

CATEGORIES	CRITERIA	POINTS	DESCRIPTION
<b>Solo</b>	<b>ACROBATIC ELEMENTS + TECHNIQUE</b>	<b>1-30</b>	<b>Acrobatic Elements + Technique</b> is expressed by: difficulty level of elements performed (including acrobatic and gymnastic elements, jumps, strength elements); execution technique; correct performance of the elements.
	<b>DANCE TECHNIQUE</b>	<b>1-20</b>	<b>Dance technique</b> is expressed by: execution of dance figures (difficulty level, precision, type of movements, balance, tempo and timing, dancers' posture and body control).
	<b>CHOREOGRAPHY</b>	<b>1-10</b>	<b>Choreography</b> is expressed by: distribution of figures and movements in accordance with dance context, costumes and originality of music.

# JUDGING CRITERIA

CATEGORIES	CRITERIA	POINTS	DESCRIPTION
<b>Duo</b> <b>Couple</b> <b>Small group</b> <b>Formation</b> <b>Production</b>	<b>ACROBATIC ELEMENTS + TECHNIQUE</b>	<b>1-30</b>	<b>Acrobatic Elements + Technique</b> is expressed by: difficulty level of acrobatic elements performed (including acrobatic and gymnastic elements, jumps, strength elements); execution technique; correct performance of the elements; similarity of movements in all phases of acrobatic elements (preparation, execution and landing) performed simultaneously.
	<b>DANCE TECHNIQUE + SYNCHRONISM</b>	<b>1-20</b>	<b>Dance technique + Synchronism</b> is expressed by: execution of dance figures (difficulty level, precision, type of movements, balance, tempo and timing, dancers' posture and body control); similarity of figures and body movements (legs, shoulders and upper body).
	<b>ARTISTIC IMPRESSION + CHOREOGRAPHY</b>	<b>1-10</b>	<b>Artistic Impression + Choreography</b> is expressed by: dancers' initial and final presentation (dancers' entry and exit from the dancefloor); distribution of figures and movements in accordance with dance context; use of space with its horizontals, verticals and diagonals; originality of music piece and costumes and their accordance with musical and choreographic context as well as variation of patterns.

Costumes of participants in accordance with IDF Dress Code Regulations.

During Competition teachers, group leaders and team/club leaders are strictly prohibited to ask any explanations from the Adjudicators. All explanations, information or complaints may be discussed with the Competition Director, in accordance with the appropriate Competition Execution regulations.

# EXECUTION OF COMPETITION

## **FITKID SOLO (Male – Female)**

FitKid Solo is an individual presentation by either a male or a female dancer. Participants may compete only within their designated Age Division.

In categories where there are less than three (3) dancers registered to perform female categories will be joined with male categories within the same Age Division, and vice versa, for example: Mini Male --> Mini Female, Youth Male --> Youth Female etc.

Depending on number of participants, each category would start from preliminaries, semi-finals or finals respectively.

Preliminaries, semi-finals and finals are held with only one (1) dancer performing on a dancefloor at a time.

## **FITKID DUO (Both males or both females) DUO FITKID COUPLE (Male and Female)**

FitKid Duo is composed of two (2) dancers where both of them are males or both are females. FitKid Couple is composed of two (2) dancers where one (1) is a male and the other one is a female.

This discipline features a single category for Duos and Couples.

If dancers represent mixed Age Divisions (e.g. one is Youth and the other one is Junior), the Duo / Couple must participate in the older Age Division.

Each dancer can participate in one or more Duo/Couple, but in different Age Divisions. Dancers of Mini Age Division are allowed to partner up and dance with Youths, Youth dancers may partner up with either Minis or Juniors, Juniors may partner up with Youths or Adults and Adults may partner up with Juniors.

Depending on number of participants, each category would start from preliminaries, semi-finals or finals respectively.

Preliminaries, semi-finals and finals are held with only one (1) Duo/Couple performing on a dancefloor at a time.

# EXECUTION OF COMPETITION

**FITKID SMALL GROUP**  
**(Between three (3) and seven (7) dancers)**

**FITKID FORMATION**  
**(Between eight (8) and twenty-four (24) dancers)**

**FITKID PRODUCTION**  
**(Twenty-five (25) dancers and more)**

FitKid Small Groups / Formations / Productions registered in Youth – Junior – Adult Age Divisions may include dancers from younger Age Divisions.

All clubs are allowed to nominate more than one (1) choreographed piece in same category, so long as with different dancers.

One or more dancers may be nominated and perform both in small groups, formations and productions.

Dancers are allowed to be nominated and perform in two (2) or more Small Groups / Formations / Productions but only in different Age Divisions.

Depending on number of participants, each category would start from preliminaries, semi-finals or finals respectively.

Preliminaries, semi-finals and finals are held with only one (1) Small Group/ Formation/Production performing on a dancefloor at a time.

**Competition Director, whenever necessary, may apply modifications to the execution of the competition.**

For all the situations not mentioned in these regulations, decisions will be made by the RESTRICTED TECHNICAL COMMITTEE and the IDF GENERAL SECRETARY.