

**SOUTH AFRICAN DANCE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**  
**AMATEUR STATUS AND PROMOTION – 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2011**

1) **POINTS:**

Points are awarded to finalists only.

At least 2 Couples must have competed in section for points to be awarded

Where sections are combined due to too few couples, actual place may be awarded points, not a result for each age group that was combined.

All promotions work on a points system. Couples dancing from a Semi-Final or more will receive points as follows:

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> place.....    | .....25 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> place.....    | .....20 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> place.....    | .....15 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> place.....    | .....10 |
| 5 to 8 <sup>th</sup> place... | ..... 5 |

In the case of a sections being danced as a STRAIGHT FINAL i.e. 7 couples or less, the points awarded for each placing will be worked out by awarding the last place or 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> place 5 points, and increasing by 5 points per higher placing.

e.g. A section comprising of only 3 couples, points will be awarded as follows:

3<sup>rd</sup> place .....5 points

2<sup>nd</sup> place ..... 10points

1<sup>st</sup> place ..... 15points.

**RISING STAR SECTIONS** (open to Novice & Pre-Championships)

Couples will receive 10 bonus points if a final is reached from a Semi-final or more rounds.

Couples who are promoted to Championship Grade after 31<sup>st</sup> July of the current year, may still compete in the Rising Star Section at the SA Championships of that year.

Any points obtained over and above the points required for promotion, will be forfeited in the next grade. Once A couple has earned sufficient points to be promoted to the next grade, they may **NOT** compete in their current grade any longer.

2) **ADVANCING TO NEXT GRADE:**

**BEGINNER** - Couple must obtain a total of 50 points before advancing to Bronze

**BRONZE** - Couple must obtain a total of 75 points before advancing to Silver

**SILVER** - Couple must obtain a total of 90 points before advancing to Gold

**GOLD** - Couple must obtain a total of 120 points before advancing to Novice

**NOVICE** - Couple must obtain a total of 120 points before advancing to Pre-Champ

**PRE-CH.** - Couple must obtain a total of 120 points before advancing to Champ

**CHAMP** - Status not affected by placing or finals reached.

3) **COUPLES CHANGING AGE GROUPS:**

**BEGINNER, BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD & NOVICE**

Couples status will remain the same and retain accumulated points in next age group.

**PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP & CHAMPIONSHIP**

May be re-graded one grade lower (couples option) no points will be retained from previous age group.

4) **PARTNERSHIP CHANGES:**

Status of the highest graded partner will determine the status of the new partnership

No points will be retained in the new partnership

The status secretary must be advised in writing of the change of partnership.

5) **AGE GROUPS:**

Age is taken of the eldest in the partnership on the day of the competition.

Juvenile - Under 12 yrs

Junior - Under 16 yrs

Youth - Under 21yrs

Adult - 21yrs and over

Senior - 35yrs and over

Masters - 45yrs and over

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| RECOGNISED PROMOTIONAL SYSTEM PASSED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SADTA<br>ON 26 <sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2010 |
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