

## **DPA/BDF National League Rules.**

- 1. The DPA/BDF National League in Amateur, Senior I, II, III (Senior III Ballroom only), Youth, Junior and Juvenile sections (and sub-sections) will operate for a 12-month period starting on the 1st of March each year.
- 2. The DPA/BDF National League in all Pre-Champ, Intermediate, Novice and Beginners will now be Under 35's and Over 35's operating for a 12 month period starting on the 1st of March each year. (Mixed age couples must dance in the younger age group)
- 3. Points will be totalled in each category and the best 10 results will be used to ascertain the League positions in each event.
- 4. In the event of a couple tying for first place in the Amateur, Senior I, II, III, Youth, Juvenile and Junior Sections, The result of the UK Closed Championships (Bournemouth Summer Festival) will decide the position.
- 5. In the U35 and O35 Adult Beginners, Novice, Intermediate and Pre-Championship events. The couples finishing in the top twelve of the DPA/BDF National League will be invited to dance for the United Kingdom Title in that category at the Grand Finals at the Bournemouth Summer Festival.
- 6. The couple-finishing top in each section of Beginners, Novice and Intermediate Charts will automatically be promoted in the National League Charts to the next grade for the following League Year.

## CLASSICAL AND MODERN SEQUENCE

- 7. a, For the Adult Classical and Modern Sequence DPA/BDF National League Events will operate for a period of 12 months starting 1st October each year b, For the Under 16 Classical and Modern Sequence DPA/BDF National League Events will operate for a period of 12 months starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> day after the completion of the Junior Blackpool Dance Festival (This allows for the changing of Easter each year)
- 8. Points will be totalled in each category and the best 8 results will be used to ascertain the winner.
- 9. In the event of a couple tying for 1st place, the result of the United Kingdom Closed Championships (DPA Sequence Committee) will decide the position.



## **GENERAL RULES**

- 10. All age groups are as set out in British Dance Council Rules.
- 11. If a couple splits during the year points are null and void and cannot be transferred to a new partnership.
- 12. In the event of a couple changing groups during the year the points they have earned will be frozen in that grade/age group and they will need to earn points in the new grade/age group. If a couple have already earned enough points to win their previous grade/age group they will still win.
- 13. All DPA Members will qualify for National League Status unless they ask not to be included.
- 14. In a Final of more than 7 couples, each couple will receive the same points as the 7th couple.
- 15. Any couple winning six or more competitions in a grade higher than they are in the National League charts where there are more than 6 competing couples will be automatically moved into the higher grade in the charts.