



DPA/BDF National League Rules.

- 1. The DPA/BDF National League in Amateur, Senior I, II, III (Senior III Ballroom only), Over 50 Years, Youth, Junior and Juvenile sections (and sub-sections) will operate for a 12-month period starting on the 1st event following the DPA Summer Festival.**
- 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 event following the DPA Summer Festival. (Mixed age couples must dance in the younger age group)**
- 3. Points will be totalled in each category and 15 events must have been danced to ascertain the League positions in each category.**
- 4. It is the responsibility of promoters when organising any National or Super League events to: -**
 - (a) Ensure that the results are uploaded to a website in full or sent to the Dance Promoters Association enabling league tables to be formatted correctly.**
 - (b) Ensure that all SL/NL couples' events are conducted over at least 2 dances of the promoter's choice within the same genre.**
- 5. In the event of a couples tying for first place in the Amateur, Senior I, II, III, Over 50 Years, Youth, Juvenile and Junior Sections. The result of the UK Closed Championships (DPA Summer Festival) will decide the position.**
- 6. "DPA Dancer of the Year". Couples qualifying for the DPA Dancer of the Year at the DPA Summer Festival, will be informed of their qualification by the 31st May.**

The Dancer of the Year categories in Ballroom and Latin are:

**U35 and O35 Beginners
U35 and O35 Novice
U35 and O35 Intermediate
U35 and O35 Pre-Championship**

- 7. 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

8. (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 1st day after the completion of the Junior Blackpool Dance Festival (This allows for the changing of Easter each year)
9. Points will be totalled in each category and the best 8 results will be used to ascertain the winner.
10. In the event of a couples tying for 1st place, the result of the United Kingdom Closed Championships will decide the position.

SOLO RULES

11. - The genres covered by these rules will be in the following categories, Ballroom, Latin American and Classical Sequence.
12. (a) - The DPA/BDF National Solo League in Ballroom & Latin American in the U10/U12/U14/U16/U19 & U21 will operate for a 12-month period starting on the 1st event following the DPA Summer Festival in Ballroom & Latin American.
- (b) - The DPA/BDF National Solo League in Classical Sequence in the U10/U12/U14/U16 will operate for a period of 12 months starting on the 1st day after the completion of the Junior Blackpool Dance Festival (This allows for the changing of Easter each year)
- (c) - The DPA/BDF National Solo League in Classical Sequence in the U19 & U21 will operate for a period of 12 months starting on the 1st October each year.
13. - To be conducted over at least 2 dances of the promoter's choice within the same genre.
14. - Other Solo events can be run at the organisers discretion including other age groupings.
15. - The NL Solo events must consist of Solo Dancers Only (Assisted partnering is not permitted).
16. - The NL Solo events are open to any dancer within their own age group. (the date of their actual birthday)



17. - Juvenile Solo Dancers to comply with the current BDC Rules and Syllabus.
18. - Solo Dancers 12 years and over may dance any Open Choreography.
19. - NL Points will be awarded in accordance with the existing NL Point Structure.
20. - On transferring from one age group to another the points will remain within the age group they were awarded in - these are not transferable.
21. - Points will be totalled in each category and 15 events must have been danced to ascertain the League positions in each event.

GENERAL RULES

22. All age groups are as set out in British Dance Council Rules.
23. If a couple terminates its partnership during the year points are null and void and cannot be transferred to a new partnership.
24. 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.
25. All Dancers will qualify for National League Status unless they ask not to be included.
26. In a Final of more than 7 couples, each couple will receive the same points as the 7th couple.
27. It is the Promoters responsibility to make it clear on their event programme which events are NL or SL. It is advisable for all dancers when entering events, to check which competitions on a specific programme are selected for NL or SL



Points Structure UK Closed, European, British National and Star Championships											
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	Semi	Qtr	Prev	Prev	Prev
26	24	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6	4
Points Structure for Super National League											
18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	8	7	6
Points Structure All Other Competitions and Championships											
12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Points Structure UK Championships, British Sequence Festival (Adults) and Junior Dance Festival (Children)											
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	Semi	Qtr	Prev	Prev	Prev
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