

Educational Dance Crown



RULES AND GUIDELINES OF EDC MEDAL TEST CERTIFICATIONS

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Amateur Medal Tests

Medal tests and awards in Ballroom and Latin American style of dance are designed to be accessible to any age group and seek to:

- promote an appreciation and enjoyment of Ballroom and Latin American style of dance, with a view to developing technical and artistic qualities
- introduce an understanding of the various styles of the Ballroom and Latin American style of dance, the different rhythmic expressions, and characterisations
- motivate candidates and build self-confidence by providing carefully staged goals
- provide a structured approach for teachers to measure the progress of individual candidates

Medal tests and awards build up progressively, ensuring that steps and skills learned at lower levels prepare for more complex and higher quality movements as the candidate makes progress.

The candidates start with Bronze level, moving to Silver, Gold level. At the end of the medal test the candidates who has successfully passed all the levels per each dance can apply for the Gold Star and Examiner Award.

MEDAL TEST SERIES:

Bronze

Silver

Gold

Gold Star

Examiner Award

Entry Conditions and General Information

The candidates from age 6 and onwards can enter any Medal test level.

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Categories

Candidates have the following options when entering for amateur medal tests:

1. Solo entry

Prior learning

For the medal series tests must be passed in sequence from Bronze to Gold. Candidates must be successful in the Gold medal before entering for the Gold Stars. For the Examiner Dance Award they must have achieved Gold Star level.

Partnering

Candidates have an option to provide their own partners who may be amateur or professional, or to take the exams by them self.

Time allowances/Number of candidates

-One candidate at a time –

Number of dances	Time
1 dance	3 minutes
2 dances	6 minutes
3 dances	9 minutes
4 dances	12 minutes
5 dances	15 minutes
10 dances	25 minutes

10 dance examinations may only be entered one candidate at a time

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Use of CDs, musical accompaniment

Teachers will provide their own suitable musical equipment together with a range of appropriate music.

Music operators should be seated at a discreet distance from the Examiner, where possible.

Dress requirements

Candidates should be well groomed and appropriately dressed for Ballroom and Latin American style of dancing.

Syllabus Content for Amateur Medals and Awards

The two dances from different genres may be used, e.g. a candidate might choose to dance Waltz (Ballroom) or Cha Cha Cha (Latin American).

Medal series (Bronze, Silver, Gold)

Tests must be passed in sequence from Bronze to Gold. Candidates may enter for both the Bronze and Silver medals of each dance at the same session, but each higher test must be taken at separate sessions. Candidates take this option at their own risk as the Silver result will be voided if the Bronze result is unsuccessful.

Higher Awards

Gold Star:

5 routines showing a minimum of eight actions and/or movements should be shown for Gold Star level. The dancing throughout the Gold Star and Examiner Dance Awards should show a gradual progression. A slow, medium and fast routine must be included.

Examiner Dance Award:

This is an optional award that follows on from the Gold Star level. The dancing throughout the Gold Star and Examiner Dance Award should show a gradual progression. Candidates for this prestigious award are expected to show an appropriately high standard of technical accuracy, style and rhythmic expression.

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Number of dances and movements for each Test/ dance discipline

Level	Max. No of dances	No of movements
Bronze	- 5 -	- min of 4 movements –
Silver	- 5 -	- min of 6 movements –
Gold	- 5 -	- min of 8 movements –
Gold Star*	- 5 -	- min of 8 movements –
Examiner Award*	- 5 -	- min of 8 movements –

*Grades marked with an asterisk must include dances of slow, medium and fast tempo.

Method of Assessment/Mark Scheme for Amateur Medals and Tests

Each dance must be passed in order to finish one level and move to next one.

Maximum marks in each dance 100

Honours 85% overall

Commended 75% overall

Pass 65

Unsuccessful on this occasion 0-64

All Amateur Medal Tests are assessed by the examiner as above.

Aims

The aim of Graded Examinations is to provide an assessment scheme for dance, which gives the basis for the measurement of the individual candidate's progress and development, whether the candidate is pursuing dance as a leisure activity or as preparation for a professional career as a dance teacher or performer.

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The following section is for organisers only

The fees

In order for the organiser to conduct a medal tests, the organiser must be an approved EDC dance center, the membership are as follows:

Non-exclusive per country – 100 euro per year

Exclusive per country – 1000 euro per year

Medal test fees:

Bronze 10 euro per dance

Silver 11 euro per dance

Gold 12 euro per dance

Gold Star 13 euro per dance

Examiner Award 15 euro per dance

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