

## **ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS**

### **COUNCIL MOTION**

#### **AMATEUR – That the following be added:**

“A person shall be deemed to be recognized as an Amateur dancer if he or she

- does not teach dance, regardless of whether a fee is charged, except under the specific rules of the Amateur Coaching Scheme;
- has not declared themselves to be a Professional or passed a teaching examination with any of the Examining Teacher Organizations; and
- has not adjudicated at a competition, or taken part in a competition, restricted to Professional dancers.”

## **ARTICLE 3 - 3.1 Membership & Registration**

**Existing -** The membership of the Association shall be divided into two categories. Competitive and Non-competitive.

The competitive category, which includes Registration to compete in competitions in Great Britain as required under BDC Rules, shall consist of:

- (a) Full Members
- (b) Honorary Life Members
- (c) Junior Members
- (d) Juvenile Members
- (e) Disco/Freestyle Members
- (f) Student Members
- (g) Formation Teams
- (h) Schools Membership

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The competitive category. This includes registration to compete in competitions in Great Britain as required under BDC Rules, shall consist of all Amateurs as defined in Article 1 (Definitions) in the following categories:

There is no change to the categories listed above (a) to (h).

### **REASONS**

The present Article is not specific in that it does not state that only Amateurs may be full members. It relies upon British Dance Council Rules that are inadequate and does not give the Council the clear opportunity to reject membership under its own rules.

## **ARTICLE 8 - 8.2.1 - Maximum Number of Delegates**

**Existing -** All the members of the Executive Committee shall be ex-officio members of the General Council.

The maximum number of other Elected Delegates to the General Council shall be determined from time to time by the General Council but shall not exceed 16.

The composition of the elected delegates shall include as a minimum:

- 3 Amateur Standard or Latin style competitors (a minimum of one from each style);
- 3 Senior Standard or Latin style competitors (a minimum of one from each style);
- 3 Sequence competitors, which may include a Sequence parents' Representative;
- Not less than 1 parents' Representative.

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“The composition of the elected delegates shall include:

- 2 Amateur competitors
- 2 Senior Competitors
- 2 Sequence Competitors
- 1 Parents' Representative.”

### **REASONS.**

The present Article is open to misinterpretation in that it could permit all those nominated to be elected. i.e. seven persons nominated, Article states “a minimum of three”, and all could be elected. You could further create a situation in which the number of elected representatives exceeds the maximum of 16 without any formal mechanism to select from any excess. In addition in the last five years, due to the pressure of competing, it has been increasingly difficult to attract competitors to the Council. It therefore seems sensible to reduce the numbers to a realistic level. The provision of co-option still remains if needed.