

Entrance Examination

As stated in our Constitution, to join the Festival Dance Teachers Association, all Teachers must pass an entrance examination, set by the Association.

There are three sections to the examination:

- Section 1 Music
- Section 2 Practical
- Section 3 Interview

Further details of each section are detailed below.

SECTION 1: MUSIC 20% of Total Mark.

Set Dance tunes will be played and the Candidate must name the tunes correctly with accurate timing i.e.; 4/4, 6/8

SECTION 2: PRACTICAL 70% of Total Mark.

TEACH AND DANCE:

- a. For Under 11 Age Group - Any Light Step
Any Heavy Step
Treble Jig Set Dance
- b. For Over 11 Age Group - Any Light Step
Any Heavy Step
Hornpipe Set Dance

c. Demonstrate teaching a beginner three's and seven's.

Solo 40%

d. Teach two of the following teams which will be chosen on the day:

- Fairy Reel
- Sweets of May
- Three Tunes
- Bonfire Dance
- Lannigans Ball
- Eight Hand Jig
- Gates of Derry
- High Caul Cap

Team 30%

SECTION 3:

INTERVIEW

10% Total Mark.

The interview is about the applicant wanting to join the Association, their ideas and aims, and their willingness to adhere to the Constitution and Rules of the Association. It endeavours to determine the aims, loyalty and support that the Association could expect from the candidate

