



## **PATHWAY TO BECOMING AN IDO LICENSED INTERNATIONAL ADJUDICATOR**

### **I. PRE-EXAMINATION ACTIVITIES**

#### **1. National Level Qualification**

Candidate requirements:

- Minimum 18 years of age
- Member of an IDO National Member Organization (NMO) within the International Dance Organization
- Hold the highest national adjudicator license
- At least two years of judging experience at national competitions
- Working knowledge of English
- Participation in national adjudicator seminars

#### **2. Nomination by National Federation**

The National Member Organization:

1. Reviews candidate qualifications
2. Officially nominates the candidate
3. Submits the application to the IDO Adjudication Director
4. Registers the candidate for the IDO adjudicator education program

Documents required that must be sent by the IDO National Member Organization:

- IDO Adjudicator CV
- IDO Application form

Forms available on <https://www.ido-dance.com/infos/how-to-become-an-ido-adjudicator/>

### **3. Access to the IDO Online Academy**

The candidate receives access to the digital learning platform IDO Online Academy. The username and password will be sent to the candidate by IDO Online Academy administrator and after checking the credentials by the Adjudication Committee.

Learning modules typically include (ppt, video lecture and quiz assessments): IDO Rules and Competition Regulations, Judging criteria and evaluation standards, Ethics and conflict-of-interest rules, Competition procedures and psychological aspects of judging.

The candidate studies these modules before attending the seminar and exam.

## **II. EXAMINATION ACTIVITIES**

### **4. Mandatory IDO Examination Adjudication Seminar**

Candidate must attend an official seminar organized by:

- the International Dance Organization, or
- an approved IDO National Member Organization

The seminar prepares candidates for the General Theoretical Examination and covers the main adjudication principles and regulations.

### **5. IDO Adjudicator Examination** (on the same day as Mandatory IDO Examination Adjudication Seminar)

#### **A. General Theoretical Examination**

- Conducted through the IDO Online Academy platform
- Written test
- English language
- Minimum 75% correct answers required

#### **B. Supplementary Theoretical Exam**

- Conducted online via Zoom
- English language
- Minimum 75% correct answers required
- Must be taken for each IDO dance discipline

Topics of the Supplementary Exam include origin of dance style, technique, teaching methodology, IDO rules and evaluation criteria.

#### **C. Mock (Practical) Judging Exam**

Candidate must evaluate a mock competition, rank competitors and demonstrate consistent scoring logic.

First Mock Exam must be conducted in person at an IDO Championship and requires approval by the Chairperson of Adjudication Committee.

Second and subsequent Mock Exams may be conducted online through the IDO Online Academy platform and require approval by the Chairperson of Adjudication Committee.

- ❖ *IDO internationally licensed adjudicators who wish to be licensed for additional IDO dance styles must pass the IDO supplementary exam and complete a mock judging exam for that discipline. In this case, the registration must be done by the IDO national member organization.*

### **III. POST-EXAMINATION ACTIVITIES**

#### **6. License Approval**

After passing the exam:

- Candidate pays examination and license fees
- Receives the IDO International Adjudicator License Book
- Is added to the official IDO adjudicators list on the IDO website
- The IDO member and candidate receive an email notification about completing the examination process

#### **7. Maintaining the License**

To remain an active adjudicator:

- Participate in refresher seminars every 2 years
- Maintain membership in an IDO National Member Organization
- Follow the official regulations of the International Dance Organization
- Pay the annual IDO registration fee

## Simplified Pathway Diagram

