

# Feis Registration Information

This document provides added information on the feis registration process and indicates what a feis can expect to receive for their feis registration fee.

#### **Feis Registration**

Since the Irish Dance Teachers' Association of North America's decision to not move forward with the North American Feis Commission, the WCIDTA Board is now responsible for the feis registration process in Western Canada. The WCIDTA Feis Registrar and Executive Board will use a variety of factors when determining the approval of a feis, including, but not limited to, location, proximity of bordering region feiseanna, the proximity to an established feis, the feis cap, feis format, established/recurring date etc. WCIDTA reserves the right to deny a feis registration if it does not fall into the scope of any established criteria, or if it appears it will inhibit or interfere with an approved feis on the same weekend. If a feis registration is denied, an appeal can be made to the Regional Director, whose decision will be final. Approval may also be revoked if fees are not paid within 30 days of approval. Please note that it is the ultimate goal of WCIDTA to provide as many competitive opportunities to the dancers of Western Canada and the board aims to assist regional members in providing such opportunities.

#### **General Registration Notes**

- 50% of each feis registration fee goes to CLRG.
- Information on feiseanna and on registering a feis can be found at <a href="https://www.wcidta.ca/feiseanna">https://www.wcidta.ca/feiseanna</a> Within the Feis Registration application form is a link to our region's current standardized feis syllabus.
- Feiseanna must have their syllabus reviewed by the Regional Director prior to publishing. Please send your syllabus to <a href="mailto:regionaldirector@wcidta.ca">regionaldirector@wcidta.ca</a> and allow three business days for this review. If you do not do this, you may be asked to alter your syllabus after you have published it.
- All the information in this email will be posted to <a href="https://www.wcidta.ca/feiseanna">https://www.wcidta.ca/feiseanna</a>

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### Services that feiseanna can expect to receive from WCIDTA upon registering:

- Registration and date protection as needed for your reserved weekend.
- One announcement post to WCIDTA's social media channels.\*

  Further posts may also be shared as long as feiseanna have tagged WCIDTA in their posts and the associated school has signed the WCIDTA media consent form (located in the teacher section of wcidta.ca)
- One announcement email sent out to WCIDTA's membership list.\*

  In the interest of streamlining WCIDTA communication and conserving the resources of our volunteer Board, WCIDTA will send only one email on any event's behalf. There are many ways for regional feiseanna to build a following and gather up email addresses. And social media is a useful way to share information.

When preparing your email to go out to the region, feiseanna are welcome to include a line that says something like, "If you wish to receive further email updates to this feis, please forward this email to *e-mail address*". In that way, each feis can pick up email addresses and develop their own email list. In addition, CLRG publishes a contact list for Western Canada annually and members are of course welcome to use the email addresses on that list.

- Your feis will be listed at WCIDTA.ca/feiseanna\*

\*All website updates, posts and communications will be completed within one week of the information being received from the feis. If you wish for your information to go out within a certain timeline, it is the feis's responsibility to plan and submit information accordingly.

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## **Updates as of August 2023**

Three new registration rules have been put in place by the Board of Directors. The first two motions below are to protect annual feiseanna, and the third is to close a loophole on the feis registration form regarding feis venue:

- That annual feiseanna (meaning feiseanna who have indicated on their WCIDTA registration forms that their intent is to run annually) must re-register with WCIDTA six months in advance of their feis date. This means that the region will hold the annual date for an annual feis for up to six months in advance of the feis date. If the annual feis is not re-registered six months in advance, then that date is considered open to other feiseanna.
- Beginning with 2023, annual feiseanna (meaning feiseanna who have indicated on their WCIDTA registration form that their intent is to run annually) not operating for two consecutive years surrender their annual feis date and the Board may assign that date to another feis applicant.
- New to the wcidta.ca Feis Registration Form: Feiseanna will be required to submit
  confirmation of their venue, at latest, four months prior to the feis. This confirmation can be
  an email from the venue salesperson or contact confirming that this feis is contracted at that
  venue.

The feis registration process will be reviewed and updated as needed.

See you at a feis soon,

WCIDTA Board of Directors (May 2023 – 2025)

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