

# Petitioning to move up in WSDC J & J Competitions

Good reasons to petition to move up:

- You are a teacher (Pro) and don't want to compete against their students but are new to the scene and don't have the points yet.
- You've been competing at a higher level in country or ballroom and don't want to "sandbag" (hold themselves down and win unethically)

Not good reasons to move up:

- I'm not getting good enough partners to show me well.
- I'm advanced in my region so I want to be at that level nationally

Remember that your point status has to do with what division you dance in nationally. If you move up you have to dance in that standard in National Competitions like Phoenix, the US Open, Atlanta, etc.

**To petition we want, in writing:**

- what your competitive history has been (if you have Competition standings in any style of dance)
- your professional dance history (if you have Professional Dance background)
- reasons why you think you should move up (what is not good about dancing in your current division, why it is FOR THE BEST for the dance community that you move to a higher division)

This petition will be reviewed by a committee for this event and determination made. Understand that if you place in the higher division you might not be able to dance in the lower division again in the future

Remember that the panel/committee has the **greatest good for the national dance competition community to consider**. It is not about the single dancers "feelings" or "comfort". There are going to be situations where the decision for the local community would be different than for the national community and the panel must adjudicate related to the national dance standard.

# PETITION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ WSDC # \_\_\_\_\_.

CURRENT WSDC DIVISION BY POINTS \_\_\_\_\_ POINTS \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION YOU ARE PETITIONING TO ENTER \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you danced partner dancing?

How long have you danced WCS?

Besides the competition experience listed in your WSDC registry – what other completion experience (Classic, Showcase, Pro/Am level, Ballroom, Latin, Country) do you have?

Are you a Pro dancer/instructor of WCS?

Are you a Pro Dancer/instructor of some style of dance? Which style(s)?

How long have you been teaching?

Full or part time?

Do you have students competing in the division you are currently in?

If petitioning to move up: What are your considerations – though you aren't making it out of the current level – you will show/place better in the one you are petitioning to join?

Other things you want us to consider?