



## Competing at RSOBHD-Sanctioned Competitions

Teachers, Parents, Dancers:

School is out and summer is here! Along with the sunshine and heat, many dance families choose to travel to attend competitions. These days more and more dancers and families are traveling internationally to attend competitions. These dance trips can produce happy times, make and build new friendships, and create lasting memories.

When competing outside the United States, please be sure to plan ahead and research each competition where you or your dancer plan to compete. You want to ensure that the competitions where you compete are RSOBHD-sanctioned, especially for Pre-Premier dancers.

Here in the United States, all of our Highland dance competitions are RSOBHD-sanctioned. However, in Scotland, there is another dance organization – the Scottish Official Highland Dancing Association (SOHDA) – that also sponsors and runs Highland dance competitions.

In the United States, all Highland dancers are registered with SDUSA and the RSOBHD. Therefore, all US Highland dancers are RSOBHD-registered dancers and follow the RSOBHD registration system. Pre-Premier dancers **SHOULD ONLY** compete at RSOBHD-sanctioned Highland dance competitions so they advance correctly following RSOBHD rules.

Please be sure to read every competition entry form and look for the text - "Competition is sanctioned by the RSOBHD" or "Competition follows RSOBHD rules." This will be your guidance that the competition is RSOBHD-sponsored and it is okay for your Pre-Premier dancer to participate in the event.

Please check with your teacher to ask for help and guidance in planning where you or your dancer will compete.

Happy Traveling and Happy Dancing!

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