

RULES & CONDITIONS

The Shoalhaven Eisteddfod Committee is an incorporated entity.
Eisteddfod venues are covered for performance of music by licence from APRA & PPCA, spoken word licence from CAL.
No responsibility can be accepted for errors or omissions in the schedule of programmes

COPYRIGHT LAWS

All competitors must realise their responsibilities regarding laws under Australian Copyright Act, 1968.

Where sheet music is used the following will apply:

1. Competitor and/or accompanist must use original copies of music or authorised photocopies (where photocopies are used they must be accompanied by a letter from the publisher or copyright holder). Schools may use "AMCOS" stamped copies in accordance with AMCOS agreement.
2. A copy of work (music or printed word) must be provided for the adjudicator. Any photocopies will be destroyed after the event by the Eisteddfod Committee.
3. CDs used by Dance and Pop Vocal competitors must be an original or clearly endorsed with an AMCOS licence number.
4. Accompanists - A single copy of the accompaniment may be made for use in a performance, if the performer is using the original copy.
5. The Shoalhaven Eisteddfod Committee will NOT be liable for any copyright infringement relating to the submissions of photocopies or recordings. Competitors are responsible for adhering to copyright laws.
6. It is an infringement of copyright laws to record performances using video or audio tape, and flashlight photography is PROHIBITED.

If further information is required regarding Copyright please contact
Music - AMCOS (02) 9935 7700, www.apra.com.au
Print - CAL (02) 9394 7600, services@copyright.com.au
Recorded Music - PPCA (02) 8569 1100, Licensing.mail@ppca.com.au

GENERAL RULES

(see also DANCE specific rules)

1. For Music and Spoken Word Sections, a copy of all work for the adjudicator must be handed in at the Door Secretaries' table, before commencement of section. Photocopies will not be returned to the competitor.
2. All sections shall be open to amateurs only, that is, people who do not derive a living income from performance. This rule does not apply to conductors or accompanists.
3. In age limited sections age is at 30th April each year.
4. Competitors of any age are eligible to enter OPEN sections..
5. SHOALHAVEN RESTRICTED sections are open only to residents of the Shoalhaven.
6. Time limits are absolute maximum. Competitors will not be penalized if they perform for less than the maximum time. Performances are timed. A bell will be rung when time has expired. The performance must cease and the performer leave the stage. The Adjudicator may impose a penalty.
7. One piece of work only to be presented except where indicated. The same item may not be performed more than once unless otherwise specified.
8. Live accompaniment to be used (piano preferred) unless specified otherwise. Recorded music (CDs only) may be used in Pop Vocal, some School Sections and all Dance Sections. No backing vocals on recorded music are permitted in Pop Vocal.
Schools – Live accompaniment is preferred for choral sections.
Accompanists are available if required. Please contact the Convenor.
9. An Official accompanist is provided for senior vocal sections only. It is the responsibility of the competitor to contact the accompanist at least 3 weeks before the performance and provide a copy of the work to be performed. Rehearsal times and fees are the competitor's responsibility.
10. Sections with less than three entries may be cancelled or combined. When there are less than four entries in a section only one prize may be awarded. Order of sections as printed in the syllabus will not necessarily be followed when the Eisteddfod is programmed.
11. In Juvenile Sections where there are more than 15 competitors, the section may be divided into two, with First & Second Prizes awarded in each.
12. No parent or teacher will be allowed on stage or stage area during a performance, except in the capacity of accompanist or conductor or at the Committee's discretion.
13. Any objections need to be lodged, in writing, with a committee member, within 30 minutes of completion of the section.

14. Every care will be taken for the competitors' safety, but the committee will not be responsible for any injury sustained by any competitor during the eisteddfod.

ADJUDICATOR

15. Communication with any adjudicator at any time prior to or during a section is strictly prohibited.
16. Prompting is to be done only by the adjudicator.
17. The adjudicator may, after consultation with the committee, withhold any prize where sufficient merit has not been displayed.
18. Your dress, grooming, posture and presentation are an important part of your performance and will be taken into consideration by the adjudicator.
19. Adjudicator's Evaluation Forms are available free of charge, to be collected at the end of each section.
20. THE ADJUDICATOR'S DECISION IS FINAL.

DANCE

See also General Rules

21. CDs must be labelled with an AMCOS licence Number, competitor's name, section number and track number. CDs must be presented to the audio table prior to each section, and must be clean. No responsibility will be taken for faulty CDs – please check on a music CD player.
22. No music with singing on it can be used in Song & Dance, Demi Character or Classical Sections.
23. No tapping is allowed on backing music in Tap sections.
24. Exit music, tags and run-off music will not be permitted if over 8 bars, in any performance. Please advise Audio Table if there is exit music.
25. All Tap Screws will be inspected as no screws are to protrude past the tap. This is a requirement of the Nowra School of Arts and the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre. Offending screws will be removed.
26. Stage props must not use straw or any other highly flammable material. No naked flame or lighted matches are to be used. Any residue from props must be removed immediately.
27. Restricted sections are open to competitors who have never won a first prize in that particular category at any age in any competition, up to the closing date for entries to the Eisteddfod.
28. No competitor may perform the same item/routine in more than one section unless otherwise specified. A change of costume and/or music does not

constitute a change of routine.

ALL ENTRIES TO:
ORGANISING SECRETARY
CITY of SHOALHAVEN EISTEDDFOD
PO Box 189, Nowra, 2541

ALL PHONE ENQUIRIES TO THE SECTION
CONVENORS

Please limit telephone enquiries 9am – 9pm

Dance	Lesley Farish	4422 4719
Vocal	Kerrie Corish	4441 6028
Instrumental	Jill Larsen	4423 0785
Speech & Drama	Elizabeth Windsor	4421 4067
Schools	George Windsor	4421 4067

NO LATE ENTRIES - NO PHONE ENTRIES