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NORDIC SWING FUN

The idea of having Nordic Swing Fun competition as a part of the Nordic Championships competition event was brought out to emphasize the joy of Nordic swing dances.

It's not about which couple has the best dance technique, the most advanced dance figures, the most advanced music interpretation, the best showmanship etc.

It's all about having fun while dancing Nordic swing dances!

It will be a dance competition. While having fun and enjoying dancing, you still need to keep the rhythm, you need to do dance steps and you need to dance with your partner.

All Nordic countries have special local swing dances like fusku in Finland, bugg in Sweden and folke swing in Norway. Now it's time to raise them into the spotlight!

Participating couples can choose freely what dance they will use during competition. It's not mandatory to use just Nordic Swing Dances in the Nordic Swing Fun, but they are hoped to be chosen. Couple can change the dance style from round to round or even within one round if it fits into the music.

The winner of the competition shall be the Champion of Nordic Swing Fun.

Participation

All in one Open category - no age groups.

Not required to be at the highest level in any dance (A / B-categories)

No requirement to participate in some other discipline during the Nordic Championship competition. A separate starting fee 10 euros/person shall be applied for Nordic Swing Fun.

Music

Organizer will select music. It's recommended that the music used will be typical music used in Nordic swing dances like fusku, bugg or folke swing depending on the organizing country.

Duration of the music in each round is minimum 2 minutes and maximum one track/song.

Speed of the music is free, but it should support dancing with Nordic swing dances – It should not be too slow, but not too fast either.

Judging

Simple judging following the Skating system will be used.

Panel of judges will be compiled by organizer – it might or might not be the same than other NM disciplines, it could be partly the same or have additional members. The number of judges must be odd and it must be fair to all participating countries. Judges don't need to have WRRRC license.

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Judging criteria

Dance couples will be judged based on following criteria:

- lead and follow / connection
- harmony
- rhythm
- having fun
- spontaneous dancing

Preliminary rounds

In each round the judges must mark the number of couples, specified by the Chairman of Judges (Supervisor), whom they decide to advance to the next round. The number of couples to be passed forward to the next round shall be nominated by the Supervisor - not less than 1/2 of the total number of couples.

Final round

6-7 couples in the final

Two songs: one slower one and one faster one.