An Coímísíún le Ríncí Gaelacha

CLRG Costume Infraction (Tick Box) Program

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The costume Infraction (Tick Box) program was formally adopted by CLRG at the AGM in May 2014. At this meeting the Costume Committee was mandated to implement this program in all CLRG regions around the world.

Dancers wearing costumes that do not comply with CLRG rules may be flagged by adjudicators on their marking sheets. The process is detailed below.

‘Tick Box’ Procedure for Costume Infractions

- Should an adjudicator deem a costume to be breaking any presentation rule (including carriage aids and make-up) they may mark an ‘X’ in the costume tick-box column now on all adjudication sheets. Adjudicators wishing to specify length as the infraction may mark the letter ‘L’ in the column. The adjudicator has no further involvement in the process, nor will the judge be named in the reporting process. Also note that at this time, no marks are deducted for a dancer being flagged for a costume infraction.

- Immediately following the feis, the tabulation company sends a list of dancers who were noted for an infraction to the Area Representative for this program. The Area Rep then contacts the dancer’s teacher with notification of the infraction.

- If a teacher is continuously notified of costume infractions, then following an inquiry by the Costume Committee, the teacher may be found in breach of the costume rules as issued by An Coímísíún le Ríncí Gaelacha and will be cautioned as per the regulations.

- Other than an indication via the ‘tick box’ column, judges may not discuss costume irregularities with dancers, parents or teachers at a feis. Nor should judges makes notes about costumes in the ‘comments’ section of adjudication sheets. The costume ‘tick box’ column is intended as the avenue of notification for a costume infraction. Once a teacher has received notice of the infraction, the teacher can compare the dancer’s costume to CLRG costuming rules to determine the infraction to be corrected. The Area Rep and Costume Committee members are available to assist if the teacher requires direction with a costume infraction.