

Jack & Jill O’Rama 2024 Competitor Rules

Eligibility requirements:

To compete at our event, you must:

- Have a full weekend pass (except for Newbie & Country Swing)
- Register for each competition by the official entry deadline. (See the weekend schedule.)
- Pay any required entry fees (none for Newbie or Country Swing)
- Sign a legal waiver. (If you are under 18, your parent or guardian must sign for you.)

Role/Gender Inclusivity: Jack & Jill O’Rama welcomes persons of any gender to dance as a leader or follower.

Eligibility: Make sure you read and abide by the eligibility requirements for each division before entering.

Dance Requirements for Competitions: The following dance requirements apply to all our competitions. If our judges determine that you have failed to meet one or more of these requirements, they may assign a violation penalty.

1. Swing content. This is a swing dance event. Therefore, our judges will expect to see recognizable swing content from both partners in all our divisions except Country Swing.
2. Partner weight-support moves (“tricks”). These moves will be judged according to the standard criteria of timing, teamwork, and technique. Any moves that our judges deem unsafe may earn a violation penalty.

Requesting a Restart: You may request a restart if something happens during your dance that could impact safety. Our chief judge may also call for a restart without a request from you if our chief judge believes it is fair to all and in your best interest. If our chief judge allows a restart, your previous scores will be voided. If our chief judge denies your request for a restart, or you decline an offer to restart, your prior performance will be scored.

Submitting a Petition: It is our goal to encourage you to compete with your peers. If you want to enter a competition for which you do not meet the entry requirements, or want to change divisions, you must submit a petition to our event director. Our chief judge and event director will review your petition and approve or deny your request.