2026 WDC WORLD SUPER SERIES
THE 47TH JAPAN INTERNATIONAL DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

Tournament Guidelines

The 2026 Japan International Dance Championships and All Japan Senior Championships will be held as follows.

1. Date & Time
   Saturday, June 6, 2026, 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM (tentative)
   Sunday, June 7, 2026, 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM (tentative)
2. Venue
   Hiten Hall, Grand Prince Hotel New Takanawa (Minato-ku, Tokyo)
3. Organizer
   Japan Ballroom Dance Federation (Public Interest Incorporated Foundation)
4. Organizer
   Eastern Japan Ballroom Dance Federation (General Incorporated Association)
5. Official Recognition
   WDC, NDCJ General Incorporated Association
6. Supported by
   (Application Pending) Japan Sports Agency
7. Competition Details
   The Japan International Dance Championships will feature 5 events: - Pros: Quarterfinals and Finals - Amateurs: Final Qualifiers and Finals Pros: 14 couples In Semifinals, 7 couples in Finals Amateurs: 12 couples in Semifinals, 6 couples In Finals Pros only: A solo event featuring specified figures per event in the Finals.
   Except for the All Japan Senior Championships, all events will follow a World Open system. All competitions are held as overall events.
   1) Japan International Dance Championships
      ① Pro Day 1 = Latin C·S·R·P·J 5-dance total
      Day 2 = Ballroom W, T, Vw, F, Q (5-dance total)
      *Vw and J start from the quarterfinals.
      ※ Only the Professional division is eligible for the WDC World Super Series
      ② Amateur Day 1 = Ballroom W・T・Vw・F・Q 5-Dance Overall
      Day 2 = Latin C·S·R·P·J 5-Dance Overall
      ※ Vw and J enter from the final qualifying round.
   2) All Japan Senior Championships
      Day 1 = Latin C·S·P 3-Dance Overall
      Day 2 = Ballroom W·T·Q 3-Dance Overall
8. Eligibility Requirements
   1) Japan International Dance Championships (World Open System)
      ① Japanese competitors in the Professional Division shall be as follows:
      JBDF shall be composed of players ranked within the top 96 nationally and players selected by each regional member organization, provided they comply with JBDF (including regional member organizations) competition regulations. Players who are not JBDF members (including those removed for non-payment of dues) are ineligible to enter. (Those in the process of joining are permitted.)
      Note: If competing with a different partner who has obtained national ranking qualification, the national ranking qualification will be forfeited.
      Players outside the JBDF must be selected from NDCJ member organizations.

The selection quotas for each organization are as follows:

a. Eastern Japan: Athletes in both Sections A and B, Rising Stars from the 2026NATD Cup and Super Japan Cup Dance, and finalists from the first-half C-Class Dance Competition.
   In addition to the above, the following athletes per block:
   Tohoku Block: 3 couples
   Kanto-Koshinetsu Block: 5 couples
   Kanagawa Block: 2 couples
b. For regional member organizations outside Eastern Japan, the following number of couples will be selected for both sections:
   Hokkaido: 10 teams
   Central Japan: 10 teams
   Western Japan: 40 teams
   Kyushu: 10 teams
   The above numbers do not include invited/seeded players or players ranked within the top 96 nationally.
c. The selection quota for NDCJ member organizations shall be 18 pairs in total for both sections.
d. WDC-registered players not affiliated with JBDF or NDCA member organizations.

※【Regarding Doping Tests】

For the Pro Division, this competition is designated for doping testing under the World Anti-Doping Code. If designated by the World Anti-Doping Agency, it becomes a testing event.

Therefore, by applying to participate in this competition, you agree to undergo doping tests. If a minor applies to participate, it is deemed that consent for doping testing has been obtained from their legal guardian.

Competitors in this event may be deemed to have violated anti-doping rules if they refuse or evade doping tests conducted during the event, fail to comply with the instructions of testers, or are unable to complete the doping test procedure due to personal circumstances such as travel arrangements for their return journey. Please note that if a violation of anti-doping rules is determined, sanctions may be imposed in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code.

For detailed information and regarding doping tests, please refer to the website of the Japan Anti-Doping Agency (JADA) (https://www.playtruejapan.org/).

② Japanese athletes in the amateur division shall be those selected by each JBDF regional member organization and who comply with the JBDF (including regional member organizations) competition regulations:
The selection quotas for each regional member organization are as follows:

a. Eastern Japan: Athletes of Class C or higher in both sections.
   In addition to the above, one pair per prefectural federation.
b. Regional member associations outside Eastern Japan shall select the following number of pairs for both sections:
   Hokkaido: 10 pairs
   Central Japan: 20 pairs
   Western Japan: 20 pairs
   Kyushu: 10 teams
   The above numbers do not include invited players.

2) All Japan Senior Championship
For both sections, participants must be amateur players aged 35 or older as of the day of the tournament. Please specify your date of birth when applying.

a. Eastern Japan: Both sections require players to be registered senior players of Class D or higher.
b. For regional member organizations outside Eastern Japan, the number of teams for both sections shall be selected as follows:
Hokkaido: 10 teams
Central Japan: 15 teams
Western Japan: 20 teams
Kyushu: 10 teams

9. Entry Fee The
Entry fee is as follows. Please pay it simultaneously with your application.

1) Japan Interpro	JBDF	1 Section	¥7,000
	NDCJ Member Organizations	〃	¥11,000
	Foreigners	〃	¥11,000
	WDC Registered Players Not Listed Above	〃	¥18,000
	Amateur	〃	¥8,000
2) All Japan Senior		〃	¥9,000

＊ Registration fees are non-refundable even if you withdraw after applying.

10. Invited Players (Japanese Players)
1) Both professional and amateur players ranked in the top 6 of the 2026 National Ranking (calculated based on 2025 results) will be invited to the Japan Inter. Please check the JBDF website (Competition Page) for the National Ranking.
2) Invited players will receive accommodation and transportation expenses (receipts required) as per regulations (applicable to players registered with regional member organizations other than the governing body), and their entry fees will be waived.
Players are responsible for arranging their own accommodation and transportation. For details, please refer to the "Regulations for Accommodation and Transportation Expenses for Invited Players" posted on the JBDF website (Competition Page > Competition Regulations).
3) Failure to compete, including no-shows on the day of the event, will result in disqualification. Competing with a partner different from the one used to qualify will also result in disqualification.

11. Seeded Players
1) Foreign players who are A-invited professional players or professional players with semifinal experience at international competitions (2025 All England Championships, London International, World Championships, 2026 UK Open)(approved by the organizing committee) will be seeded players and enter the competition from the second qualifying round.
2) For Japanese players, professional players who have reached the semifinals in the following competitions will be seeded and will enter the competition starting from the second qualifying round.
2025 Japan International Dance Championship
〃 JBDF All Japan Professional Dance Championships
2026 All Japan Selection Dance Championships (Overall)
3) Qualification will be forfeited if competing with a partner different from the one with whom qualification was earned.

12. Cost Coverage for Foreign Competitors
A. Invited competitors whose travel and accommodation expenses are covered by the organizer according to regulations. Entry fees are waived.
B. Competitors whose lodging expenses are covered by the organizer (top 12 in the World Rankings and foreign professional dancers approved by the organizer). Entry fees are waived.

C. Competitors not covered by the organizer (all others not falling under A or B). All arrangements for flights, hotels, visa applications, etc., related to travel must be made by the competitor personally.
The entry fee must be paid in Japanese yen on the day of the tournament.

13. Entry Application

Applicants must apply through their affiliated regional member organization using the method below. Please note that no applications will be accepted after the deadline.

1) Eastern Japan
Please apply to the Eastern Japan Secretariat by the deadline set by Eastern Japan [Friday, April 17, 2026] using the method below.
a. For professionals, only online entry is available.
b. For amateurs and seniors, there are two methods: online entry or postcard entry. When entering, you must choose one method and complete your entry.
c. For details (including the application deadline and payment destination for the participation registration fee), please refer to the Eastern Japan website.
d. Eastern Japan will compile all entries and submit them collectively, along with the entry fees, to the organizing office by the overall deadline.

2) Regional Affiliates Outside Eastern Japan
Each regional member organization must compile entries and submit them in a single batch, along with the entry fees, in digital format to the organizing office by the overall deadline.

3) Athletes selected by NDCA member organizations must apply through their affiliated organization.
NDCA member organizations must submit applications with participation fees in a single batch via data to the organizing office at by the overall deadline.

4) WDC-registered players (Japanese nationals) not affiliated with JBD or NDCA member organizations must apply directly to the organizing office.

5) Foreign players must complete the separate entry form and email it to the Organizing Secretariat (E-mail: dance-kokusaibu@jbdf.or.jp) by April 10.

6) Overall Deadline: Must arrive by Friday, April 24, 2026
★Please note: The above overall deadline is the deadline for regional member organizations to apply to the organizing office. It differs from deadlines set by individual regional member organizations.

14. Safety Measures

1) Participants are responsible for managing their health before and on the day of the event. Please participate with sufficient caution.

2) In the unlikely event of injury or illness due to an accident on the day of the event, the organizer will provide emergency medical treatment by a doctor or similar professional. However, please understand that the organizer will not be responsible for any subsequent matters.

15. Honor Dance

Winners in the professional division are required to perform the honor dance for the designated event.

16. Portrait Rights

The portrait rights and all related rights of the competitors in this tournament shall belong to the organizer.

17. Judges

1) Judging for the Japan International will be conducted by multiple judges, including foreign judges, for both sections.

2) Judging for the All Japan Senior Competition will be conducted by multiple judges in both sections.

18. Expenses for Judges from Overseas

Foreign judges shall be provided with travel and accommodation expenses according to regulations. Details such as arrival date, duration, judging fees, and other specifics shall be clearly stated in the contract at the time of agreement.

19. Admission Fees

1) On the day of the event:

[Table Seating] SSS Seats: ¥80,000 (includes dinner and program)
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[Chair Seats] A Seat: ¥40,000 (includes program)
B Seats: ¥37,000 (includes program)
C Seats: ¥33,000 (includes program)
D Seats: ¥30,000 (includes program)

2) Advance tickets are sold at a 10% discount off the regular price for all seats.
* Please note that purchased tickets are generally non-refundable.

20. Prizes & Awards

1) Japan International Dance Championship

① Professional Division (Ballroom & Latin)

1st Place:	Championship Cup, Medal, Prize Money	¥1,200,000	(tax included),	Certificate
2nd Place:	〃 ,	¥700,000	〃	〃
3rd Place:	〃 ,	¥400,000	〃	〃
4th Place:		¥150,000	〃	〃
5th Place:		¥100,000	〃	〃
6th Place:		¥80,000	〃	〃
7th Place		¥60,000	〃	〃
Semifinals		¥30,000	〃	〃

② Amateur (Ballroom & Latin)

1st Place:	Championship Cup, Cup, Prize Money:	¥100,000	(tax included),	Certificate
2nd Place	〃	¥60,000	〃	〃
3rd Place	〃	¥30,000	〃	〃
4th Place:		¥20,000	〃	〃
5th Place:		¥10,000	〃	〃
6th Place:		¥10,000	〃	〃

2) All Japan Senior Championships (Ballroom & Latin)

1st Place:	Cup,	Certificate
2nd Place:	〃	〃
3rd Place:	〃	〃
4th Place:		〃
5th Place:		〃
6th Place:		〃

21. Infection Prevention Measures

We will respond based on infection prevention measures announced by the government and other authorities.

We kindly ask all attendees-including spectators, participating athletes, judges, tournament officials, and other related personnel-to agree to comply with the infection prevention measures established by the organizers and to follow their instructions before attending.