

WESTERN US REGIONAL ONLINE FEIS

**VIDEO UPLOAD:
FEB 22 – FEB 23 - 2021**

Online Feis hosted by

VideoFeis



www.videofeis.com

Online registration and tabulation with



www.QUICKFEIS.com

Online registration ends on **Feb 21**

**THIS IS A REGIONAL FEIS OPEN ONLY
TO DANCERS FROM THE
WESTERN US IRISH DANCE REGION**

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 21 online registration CLOSES
Feb 22 Uploading videos BEGINS
Feb 23 Uploading videos ENDS
Feb 26 Adjudication BEGINS
Feb 28 Adjudication ENDS
Mar 01 Results posted on QuickFeis

Results will be posted on the QuickFeis website

HOW THIS WORKS

- Register and pay online at www.quickfeis.com for the feis up to end of day FEB 21
- As soon as you pay for your registration you will be given your dancer number on your QuickFeis account – PRINT IT!
- Practice and film your video
 - Use your **smartphone** for the video
 - You must wear your **dancer number**
 - Must be in **landscape** mode
 - Dancer must be **alone** in video
 - **Music** must be clear
 - Create a separate video for each dance
 - No editing allowed
 - See additional guidelines below
- Starting FEB 22 go to **VIDEO FEIS**, log in with your QuickFeis account - and upload all your videos
 - You may begin to upload your video no sooner than FEB 22
 - You will be asked whether your video is in LARGE or SMALL stage format -
 - LARGE = 8 ft x 8 ft or bigger
 - SMALL = smaller than 8 ft x 8 ft
 - **ALL videos must be uploaded by 8:00 pm FEB 23**
- All videos will be securely viewed by adjudicator(s) who will score and give comments.
- QuickFeis will tabulate all scores
- All competitors will receive specific comments and critique from adjudicators in every dance as well as their full results!
- All results will be tabulated and posted on QuickFeis website.

**ALL RESULTS COUNT TOWARDS
LEVEL ADVANCEMENT!!**

ENTRY FEES:

- Full payment is due at time of registration.
- *Your registration is not complete until your payment is received.*
- All unpaid registrations will be dropped at the end of online registration period.
- US Funds ONLY will be accepted
 - Online registration will accept credit card payment only.
 - Sorry - no checks will be accepted
- Fees for non-champ are PER dancer PER dance
- Championship fees are PER dancer only
- Online registration will close on FEB 21 Afterwards no additional registrations or changes will be accepted.
- **ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS!**

FEIS FEES:

Grades	\$ 7.50 <i>per competition & per competitor</i>
Preliminary Championship (3 rounds)	\$ 35.00 <i>per dancer</i>
Open Championship (3 rounds)	\$ 35.00 <i>per dancer</i>
Event Fee	\$ 15.00 <i>per family</i>

ADJUDICATORS

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FEIS RULES:

- A PARENT/GUARDIAN or teacher must be present during filming of the submitted video(s) if the dancer is under 18, and safety must be a priority.
- Ensure the dance space is safe, uncluttered, and not slippery
- Dancers MUST have permission from their teachers to compete in the Online Feis
- This Online Feis reserves the right to refuse any video for any technical reason or rules violations
- All videos to be downloaded, stored, and securely shown to the adjudicators via VIDEOFEIS
- Videos will be permanently deleted 7 days after the competition results have been announced
- All videos are by default marked as PRIVATE unless consent is given per above
- Grades will dance two steps
- Championship will dance complete rounds

COSTUMES

- All rules as per CLRG Costume policies
- Dancer may wear Solo or Team Costumes, or;
- White or black short sleeve t-shirt, with black bottoms (trousers, shorts or skirts of an appropriate fit and length)
- Per CLRG rules tights must be worn with a "blackout" skirt or dress for females aged 14 years and above
- No logos or school names on blackout outfits please, no team apparel (sportswear or warmup outfits)
- Correct Soft and Hard Shoes and proper socks or tights must be worn at all times. No carriage aids allowed
- Natural hair or wigs are allowed, hair must be off dancer's face
- Make-up (per CLRG)
 - Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in in First Feis, Beginner 1, and Beginner 2 up to and including the under 12 age group worldwide.
 - Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group
- **You must wear your dancer number at all times during your video – failing to wear your number may disqualify your video!**

NUMBERING SYSTEM

1 st Digit	Level Category: FIRST FEIS Dances all begin with "1", BEGINNER 1 with "2", and so forth
2 nd and 3 rd Digits	Age Group, "06" means under 6, "07" means under 7, ..
4 th and 5 th Digits (Letters)	Competition Type: RL = REEL LJ = LIGHT JIG SJ = SLIP JIG TJ = TREBLE JIG HP = HORNPIPE PD = ST PATRICK DAY TS = TRADITIONAL SET ...

AGE GROUP: your age group is determined by the YEAR the competitor was born.
Competitor's age will be determined by January 1st, 2021. So your age group changes from year to year!

For 2021	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
Born in:	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003

PLEASE NOTE: Age groupings beginning with "O" mean THAT age AND over (example O11 means 11 and older)

FIRST FEIS

Dancers will dance 32 bars

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	O12
REEL	106RL	107RL	108RL	109RL	110RL	111RL	112RL	113RL
LIGHT JIG	106LJ	107LJ	108LJ	109LJ	110LJ	111LJ	112LJ	113LJ
SINGLE JIG	106SN	107SN	108SN	109SN	110SN	111SN	112SN	113SN
SLIP JIG	106SJ	107SJ	108SJ	109SJ	110SJ	111SJ	112SJ	113SJ

BEGINNER 1

Dancers will dance 32 bars

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	O12
REEL	206RL	207RL	208RL	209RL	210RL	211RL	212RL	213RL
LIGHT JIG	206LJ	207LJ	208LJ	209LJ	210LJ	211LJ	212LJ	213LJ
SLIP JIG	206SJ	207SJ	208SJ	209SJ	210SJ	211SJ	212SJ	213SJ
SINGLE JIG	206SN	207SN	208SN	209SN	210SN	211SN	212SN	213SN
HARD JIG (Treble)	206TJ	207TJ	208TJ	209TJ	210TJ	211TJ	212TJ	213TJ
HORNPIPE	206HP	207HP	208HP	209HP	210HP	211HP	212HP	213HP
ST PATRICK'S DAY	206PD	207PD	208PD	209PD	210PD	211PD	212PD	213PD

BEGINNER 2

Dancers will dance 32 bars

	<u>U6</u>	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>O12</u>
REEL	306RL	307RL	308RL	309RL	310RL	311RL	312RL	313RL
LIGHT JIG	306LJ	307LJ	308LJ	309LJ	310LJ	311LJ	312LJ	313LJ
SLIP JIG	306SJ	307SJ	308SJ	309SJ	310SJ	311SJ	312SJ	313SJ
SINGLE JIG	306SN	307SN	308SN	309SN	310SN	311SN	312SN	313SN
HARD JIG (Treble)	306TJ	307TJ	308TJ	309TJ	310TJ	311TJ	312TJ	313TJ
HORNSPIPE	306HP	307HP	308HP	309HP	310HP	311HP	312HP	313HP
ST. PATRICK'S DAY	306SP	307SP	308SP	309SP	310SP	311SP	312SP	313SP

NOVICE

Dancers will dance 32 bars

	<u>U6</u>	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>O12</u>
REEL	406RL	407RL	408RL	409RL	410RL	411RL	412RL	413RL
LIGHT JIG	406LJ	407LJ	408LJ	409LJ	410LJ	411LJ	412LJ	413LJ
SLIP JIG	406SJ	407SJ	408SJ	409SJ	410SJ	411SJ	412SJ	413SJ
SINGLE JIG	406SN	407SN	408SN	409SN	410SN	411SN	412SN	413SN
HARD JIG (Treble)	406TJ	407TJ	408TJ	409TJ	410TJ	411TJ	412TJ	413TJ
HORNSPIPE	406HP	407HP	408HP	409HP	410HP	411HP	412HP	413HP
TRADITIONAL SET	406TS	407TS	408TS	409TS	410TS	411TS	412TS	413TS

PRIZE WINNER

Dancers will dance 32 bars

	<u>U6</u>	<u>U7</u>	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>O14</u>
REEL	506RL	507RL	508RL	509RL	510RL	511RL	512RL	513RL	514RL	515RL
LIGHT JIG	506LJ	507LJ	508LJ	509LJ	510LJ	511LJ	512LJ	513LJ	514LJ	515LJ
SLIP JIG	506SJ	507SJ	508SJ	509SJ	510SJ	511SJ	512SJ	513SJ	514SJ	515SJ
SINGLE JIG	506SN	507SN	508SN	509SN	510SN	511SN	512SN	513SN	514SN	515SN
HARD JIG (Treble)	506TJ	507TJ	508TJ	509TJ	510TJ	511TJ	512TJ	513TJ	514TJ	515TJ
HORNSPIPE	506HP	507HP	508HP	509HP	510HP	511HP	512HP	513HP	514HP	515HP
TRADITIONAL SET	506TS	507TS	508TS	509TS	510TS	511TS	512TS	513TS	514TS	515TS

**PC and OC competitions will be combined
if less than 5 dancers registered**



PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP – 3 ROUNDS

Dancers will perform

- 48 bars of the reel or 40 bars of the slip-jig
- 40 bars of the hornpipe or 48 bars of the treble jig.
- Any set (U9 and younger must perform a traditional set)

	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U16</u>	<u>O16</u>
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	608PC	609PC	610PC	611PC	612PC	613PC	614PC	615PC	616PC	617PC

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP – 3 ROUNDS

Dancers will perform

- 48 bars of the reel or 40 bars of the slip-jig
- 40 bars of the hornpipe or 48 bars of the treble jig.
- Any set (U9 and younger must perform a traditional set)

	<u>U8</u>	<u>U9</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>U16</u>	<u>O16</u>
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP	708OC	709OC	710OC	711OC	712OC	713OC	714OC	715OC	716OC	717OC

ADULT COMPETITIONS

Dancers will dance 32 bars

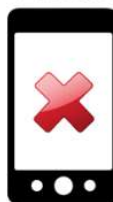
	Beginner	Novice	Prizewinner
REEL	399RL	499RL	599RL
LIGHT JIG	399LJ	499LJ	599LJ
SLIP JIG	399SJ	499SJ	599SJ
SINGLE JIG	399SN	499SN	599SN
TREBLE JIG	399TJ	499TJ	599TJ
HORNPIPE	399HP	499HP	599HP
ST PATRICK'S DAY	399SP		
TRADITIONAL SET		499TS	599TS

VIDEO RULES

- Dancer will only be allowed to submit videos for competitions they entered and paid for.
 - Grades will submit one video per dance competition
 - Prelim champs will submit three videos (soft shoe + hard shoe + set dance)
 - Open champ will submit three videos (soft shoe + hard shoe + set dance)
- Upon payment, all dancers are assigned a dancer number that they can either print or copy on a piece of paper. This **DANCER CARD must be worn by the dancer during the entirety of each of their video for the feis**. Any dancer not wearing their assigned DANCER CARD will automatically be disqualified from the feis.
- Dancers are expected to create an original new "FEIS VIDEO" of their dance(s) – a video that has been recorded AFTER they registered for the competition and is specifically for this feis and no other event or social media.
- Feis videos are not allowed on social media or shared with anyone before or during the feis. Any dancer found to have shared their video during the feis will be disqualified from the feis.
- The dancer registered for a competition must be the dancer dancing on the video (no substitutions allowed)
- **ONLY THE DANCER IS ALLOWED IN THE VIDEO – Teachers/parents/others may NOT be visible**
- It is HIGHLY recommended that all dance videos be only recorded using a standard smart phone.
 - Use the standard camera app for your device when recording.
 - Use the standard settings for recording the video. Please avoid any embellishment.
 - The quality (resolution) and size of the video is limited to what is produced by a smartphone.
- If you elect to not use your smart phone to record your video, you must follow these guidelines:
 - Video should be recorded at 720p or 1080p, 30fps or 60fps. Higher resolution video may not be submitted
 - The submitted video must be one of the standard video formats that can be played in a web browser. This includes, but is not limited to: MPEG-4 (H264), MPEG-5 (H265), MOV
 - webm video format will not be accepted

- Special lenses (like a fish-eye lens, or wide angle lens) are not permitted to be used when recording submitted videos.
- Videography should be from a single static point (pretend you are the center judge sitting at a table)
 - Camera should be about 4 feet (125 cm) from the ground
 - Camera should be in front center of the dance floor (avoid being on the side)
 - Videographer can pan side to side to keep the dancer full body within the video frame
- **Video must be in LANDSCAPE mode** (not portrait mode – see image below)

Portrait



Landscape



- Video for each dance must be one continuous front **FULL BODY SHOT – head AND feet must be visible at all times** throughout the video.
- The video must be cropped with dancing to start no later than 2 seconds after the beginning of the video, and no more than one second after dancing has ended.
- No editing of the dancing portion of the video is allowed
 - Any spliced videos will automatically be disqualified
 - Videos are not to include any embellishment or photoshop type of touch ups
- The feis nor anyone working with the feis will not be held responsible for any personal injury, or property damage in the making and/or submission of the video.
- The feis reserves the right to refuse any video for any technical or rules reason.

COMPETITION RULES

- Results from this feis will count towards level advancement per regional rules
- All the rules for the feis are listed in the feis syllabus. If a rule is not specifically listed, the feis rule falls back to the regional syllabus rules where the feis (feis organizer) is located.
- With the feis organizer's input, VideoFeis will organize all the submitted videos into competitions.
- The feis organizer reserves the right to cancel, combine and/or split any competition at will.
- After registration numbers are finalized, dancers/parents will be notified of the time limitation they will have to submit their videos.
- Dancers must submit their video within the timeframe listed on this syllabus:
- No late videos will be accepted after the deadline has passed

DANCING RULES

- **DANCER MUST WEAR THEIR DANCER NUMBER during their entire dance**
- **ONLY THE DANCER IS ALLOWED IN THE VIDEO – Teachers/parents/others may NOT be visible**
- Must dance the same number of bars as at a traditional feis.
- Music and dance must match the competition registered for. (For example, a HORNPIPE competition must have HORNPIPE music and dance HORNPIPE steps)
- At the end of the dance, the dancer should simply bow and the video should end. Please refrain from walking before bowing.
- No coaching is allowed on the video
 - Any visible or audible coaching will disqualify the video
 - The only exceptions will be for beginner dancers who may need to be counted in
 - Beginners are allowed to have 8 bars counted before the start of the dance
 - When the dancer starts their steps, no more counting is allowed.
 - Only counting is allowed – no other form of coaching is allowed

DANCE AREA

- Encouraged to dance on a proper safe dance floor (not concrete or carpet)
- Dancers are encouraged to dance on whatever space is available to them.
- Area should be well lit so that the dancer is clearly visible throughout the video
- Background should be neutral and as light (white) as possible to create contrast with the dancer – this is a recommendation and NOT a requirement.

MUSIC / SOUND

- Music cannot be dubbed over the video – the music must be played out loud to the dancer and video must capture both the dancer and music at the same time.
- All music must be pre-recorded music
 - Traditional instrumental music only
 - No singing / no vocal music
- No live music allowed (no musicians playing)
- **Music must be loud enough to hear on the video**
- Music speed must be according to the official syllabus and standard feis speeds
 - No speed variations is allowed
 - Music cannot speed up nor slow down during a dance
- No other sound except the music and dancer's shoes should be heard on the video
 - **No talking**
 - **No singing along**
 - **No coaching**

RESULTS

- VideoFeis will submit the comments and scores to QuickFeis for tabulation
- QuickFeis will tabulate and post all results on the QuickFeis website
- Results from this feis will count towards level advancement per regional rules
- Dancers will see their raw scores, rank, and comments
- Any awards will be at the discretion of the feis organizers

ADJUDICATION

- The feis organizers will hire the adjudicators it wishes
- Only accredited CLRG associates will be asked to adjudicate the videos
- The feis organizer will decide how many Adjudicators will judge each competition.
- Adjudicators will be randomly selected to judge each competition
- Adjudicators whose dancers are entered in the feis are not permitted to judge any competition with their own dancers
- All adjudicators will be encouraged to give copious comments along with their scores
- Judging will take place over several days, because adjudicators can only view one video at a time. Timing is dependent on the number of entries.
- Each adjudicator will be asked to judge all the dancers within a competition or a round, for those scores to be valid and tabulated for final results
- Adjudicators will be asked to monitor the tempo of the music – any tempo that is not appropriate will disqualify the video
- **Adjudicators will be permitted to disqualify any video that they deem is "cheating" or is not following the video rules, or is not in the spirit of this competition**
- In matters pertaining to judging, the decision of the adjudicators is final

PRIVACY

- All submitted videos automatically become the property of VideoFeis
- All submitted videos are by default marked as PRIVATE unless additional permissions are given upon uploading
- All submitted videos can be watched by:
 - Feis Adjudicator(s)
 - Feis Organizer(s)
 - School dance teacher(s) (of that dancer)
 - VideoFeis staff
- QuickFeis and VideoFeis will share all data with each other and the feis organizer.
- QuickFeis and VideoFeis will not share nor sell any data or videos with any third/outside party.

PERMISSIONS

Before uploading any videos on the VideoFeis site, participants will be requested to carefully read and grant the following permissions:

- **BASIC Permission** is REQUIRED before uploading any video.
 - This permission grants VideoFeis permission to show all videos to VideoFeis staff, feis organizers, dancer's dance school teacher(s) and feis adjudicators only.
 - Videos with only BASIC permission are considered PRIVATE and will be deleted directly after the completion of the feis.
 - By registering and agreeing to the basic permissions required, participants agree that their registration, competition information and data will be shared between QuickFeis and VideoFeis and the Feis organizer.
- **ADDITIONAL Permission** (optional) will be requested and *may be denied* for VideoFeis to use the videos for:
 - Winner's or showcase video compilation to be posted online
 - Testing for VideoFeis development and improvements
 - Videos with additional permission granted will be deleted within two months after the completion of the feis.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

By registering and paying for this feis, parents and dancers agree to release WESTERN US REGION, its teachers, any workers associated with the school, QuickFeis, and VideoFeis of any liability for any injury to complete any requirements for this competition.

The feis nor anyone working with the feis will not be held responsible for any personal injury, or property damage in the making and/or submission of the video.

LEVEL ADVANCEMENT AND DEFINITION

As specified in the Western US Region Standard Syllabus

- **First Feis** is not per dance, it is the first Feis ever for the dancer. A dancer has only one 'first feis' regardless of how many dances they are doing. Dancers may enter First Feis only once, even in cases of back-to-back feiseanna.
- In **Beginner 1**, **Beginner 2** and **Novice** the following will apply:
 - 5 - 9 dancers 1st place will advance to the next grade
 - 10 or more dancers 1st and 2nd places will advance to the next grade
- Dancers may not stay in level at Teacher discretion, with the exception of back-to-back feiseanna.
- **Prizewinner**: Advancement from Prizewinner to Preliminary Championship is at teacher discretion.
- **Preliminary** to **Open** Championship: Must have 3 overall wins with 5 or more dancers, not at teacher discretion. Upon winning 3rd overall win in Preliminary Championships, a dancer must move immediately to Open, even in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna. This includes 2 round and 3 round Preliminary Championships.
- **Adults**: Dancers who started after the age of 18 or have been out of conventional competitions for 5 years.