

Glasgow Festival Grade Exams

Grades 1-12

Dear Teachers,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to the 2019 Glasgow Festival of Irish Dancing. After the highly successful Grade Exams last year, we are again running these.

Date: Saturday 15th June 2019.

Location: The Erskine Bridge Hotel

Time: Each dancer will be allocated a time slot.

Examiner: TBC (once entries are in to avoid Examiner duplication).

Grades available: 1-12

The GRADE EXAMINATIONS will take place on SATURDAY, 15th. JUNE 2019. TO FACILITATE ALL DANCERS WISHING TO TAKE PART, THERE WILL BE 2 SESSIONS, A MORNING SESSION, STARTING AT 10AM, AND AN AFTERNOON SESSION, STARTING AT 2PM. IN THIS WAY, ALL DANCERS WHO WISH TO TAKE PART CAN BE FACILITATED, AS OPEN DANCERS TAKING PART IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP ON THAT DAY CAN ALTERNATE THEIR GRADES WITH THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP TIMES, AND GRADE DANCERS DANCING ON THE SUNDAY CAN TAKE PART IN THE GRADE EXAMINATIONS ON THE SATURDAY.

Closing Date: FRIDAY 26TH APRIL 2019

All 12 Grade Examinations must be completed to be eligible to apply for the TCRG Examination effective from January 2018. Please note entries can only be accepted from teachers registered with An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha.

We look forward to welcoming you in June. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

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Grade	Dance/Speed	Price
Prelim	Easy Reel 122-124 Or Light Jig 116	£10
1	Easy Reel 112-114 Light Jig 116	£15
2	Basic Slip Jig 124 Basic Single Jig 124	£15
3	Primary Reel 116-118 Basic Heavy Jig 96	£15
4	Primary Slip Jig 120 St Patrick's Day 94	£20
5	Advanced Reel (Primary/Intermediate/Open) 113 Basic Hornpipe 144 Walls of Limerick	£20
6	Advanced Slip Jig (Primary/Intermediate/Open) 113 The Blackbird 144 Siege of Ennis	£20
7	Advanced Heavy Jig 73 Garden of Daisies 138 Four Hand Reel	£30
8	Advanced Hornpipe 113 Job of journeywork 138 Humours of Bandon	£30
9	Two modern Set Dances, one in 6/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time. High Cauled Cap	£30
10	Two modern Set Dances, one in 6/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time. Eight Hand Jig	£30
11	Advanced Reel (113) Advanced Slip Jig (113) Advanced Heavy Jig (73) King of the Fairies (130) Plus Two modern Set Dances selected by the examiner from a list of 5 submitted by the candidate (different to those in Grades 9 & 10) Eight Hand Reel Harvest Time Jig	£60
12	Light Double Jig (116) Single Jig (124) Advanced Hornpipe (113) Three Sea Captains (96) Jockey to the Fair (90) Plus Two modern Set Dances selected by the examiner from a list of 5 submitted by the candidate (different to those in Grades 9, 10 & 11) Morris Reel Sixteen Hand Reel	£60

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Rules & Regulations

1. Only Basic Steps may be danced in the Preliminary grade and Grades 1, 2 & 3.
2. The number of bars of music to be danced to for all Reels, Single or Hop Jigs Light Jigs, Slip Jigs, Heavy Jigs and Hornpipes is **40**.
3. St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains, and Jockey to the Fair must be performed in a traditional style and manner.
4. The same set dance **must not** be performed in more than one of the Grades from 9 to 12 inclusive.
5. A dancer must take all grades in order, beginning with Grade 1 - the Preliminary grade is optional. However, a candidate may **only** attempt a maximum of 3 consecutive Grades at any one sitting.
6. Candidates must be able to adequately demonstrate practical and theoretical knowledge of all ceili dances as per "Ár Rincí Céilí" as specified in the syllabus for Grades 5 -12 inclusive.
7. Dance costumes should not be worn.
8. **All candidates must produce previous reports before proceeding to higher grades. Reports must be presented at examinations.**
9. Grade 11 may only be attempted by candidates at least 16 years of age.
10. Grade 12 may only be attempted by candidates at least 17 years of age.
11. A special application form and certificate/diploma will apply for Grades 11 and 12.
12. All 12 Grade Examinations must be completed to be eligible to apply for the TCRG Examination effective from January 1st 2018.
13. Scrúdú Béil (Oral Irish Exam) for grades 1-4 in Ireland.
14. **Dancers taking the exams must be associated with a currently registered CLRG teacher.**