



Do you run Social Dance events for Partner or Sequence Dancing?

IMPORTANT COVID SAFE GUIDELINES FOR “SOCIAL DANCING”

Ausdance QLD has been working hard to get you dancing again!

The Queensland Chief Health Officer’s team together with Ausdance QLD, Arts Queensland and representatives of the partner/social dance community have met to work out the safe return of your events.

Your event now comes under - Recreational Structured Partner Dancing (previously social dance) and is now included in the Queensland Health Approved Dance and Physical Performing Arts Industry Covid Safe Plan.

The purpose of these guidelines is to ensure you are conducting a COVID Safe activity.

Examples of dance genres (but not limited to) include:

- Ballroom
- Sequence Dance such as New Vogue, Old Time
- Latin – all styles
- Swing, Lindy Hop
- Modern Jive, West Coast Swing
- Rock n Roll & Rockabilly
- Barn Dancing, Square Dancing and Line Dancing

To ensure your activity is COVID Safe you MUST:

- Follow the DPPA Industry COVID Safe Plan, particularly the “check in” process, hygiene procedures and flow of participants.
- Determine maximum participant numbers based on 1 person per 4m2 rule in all venues.
- If your total number of participants exceeds the maximum number of people allowed at gatherings (ie currently 40), divide participants into groups of this size to minimise contacts.
- Ensure no alcohol is consumed at or directly prior to the event.
- Live music such as bands, singers etc must have 4m clearance between them and area of dance.
- Ensure food is not communal and is only brought by participants for individual consumption whilst seated, unless provided by a registered food service operator under a COVID Safe Industry Food Service Plan such as a cafe or restaurant.

Your activity CANNOT be conducted in venues covered by the Approved COVID Safe Industry Plan for Hotels, Clubs, Nightclubs or Adult Entertainment Venues unless:

- There is a segregated entrance to the dance space and under a private venue hire agreement; or
- It is outside the venues operating hours and under a private venue hire agreement

To be an eligible activity you MUST:

- Be an organised community dance group, club or business.
- Collect participants' information and hold a membership database. Hold these contact tracing details for 56 days after the event. You must be able to supply these details within one hour of being asked by authorities.
- Use a predetermined program of accepted dances AND/OR have the dances, dance steps, or movements called by an instructor or coordinator.

Advertising, emails and notices; you MUST:

- Not use the words “Social Dance” replace with “Recreational Structured Partner Dancing”

We HIGHLY recommend:

- Minimising partner changes as much as possible and sanitising between changes



All important information can be found in the DPPA Industry COVID Safe Plan. This can be accessed via the Ausdance QLD website - ausdanceqld.org.au

Please join Ausdance QLD as a member (it is free) and if you have any queries, please contact Ausdance Queensland on (07) 3122 7628 or at info@ausdanceqld.org.au

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