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## UCWDC COVID-19 BLANKET DISPENSATIONS

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To the UCWDC community of dancers,

In challenging times like these, doing what is right is more important than ever. That's why the UCWDC is continuing to work with all our regional event directors to create a consistent and equitable plan for dealing with this global emergency. While some individual events have dealt with public health and natural disasters in the past, the COVID-19 emergency is disrupting our UCWDC events worldwide.

In response to these unprecedented times, **the UCWDC is granting dispensation to all competitors who are already registered for a regional event(s) at the time of the event cancellation.** This process is known as Blanket Dispensation and is an action taken by the Council to help our dancers qualify for the upcoming World Championships in January 2021.

Here is how it works:

- You will automatically receive dispensation for all contests for which you were registered when the event was cancelled, regardless of the event cancellation policy.
- Your information will be gathered and reported based on your event registration(s). For example, if you were registered for 2 divisions in Pro-Am, 1 division in Couples and 2 divisions in Line Dance you will receive dispensations toward Worlds qualification in each of those contests.
- **You do not need to complete any additional forms.**
- The blanket dispensation is ONLY for contests for which you are registered.
- Only events cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic fall under this blanket dispensation.
- This blanket dispensation is separate from the stated cancellation policy of the event. Please check with your Event Director directly.

To assist us, we ask that you go on line and make sure that your Associate Membership is current and the information it contains is accurate. This must be completed before we can verify and issue your dispensation.

Dancers who were not successful in registering at a regional event before its cancellation must follow the Standard Dispensation Process as described in our online form [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD](#) and submit it to the UCWDC Rules Committee for approval.

Thank you for your continued support and patience. Please take good care of yourselves. We look forward to seeing you on the dance floor again soon.

**UNITED COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE COUNCIL**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith Armbruster".

Keith Armbruster  
UCWDC President