

REGULATION

VI WORLD ZOUK LAMBADA Championship 2017

Porto Seguro - BA – Brasil

1- The **VI International Zouk-Lambada World Championship 2017** will be held on the **3rd, 5th and 7th** of January 2017, during Berg's **VII International Zouk Lambada Dance Congress**. The VI International Zouk Lambada Championship is promoted, organized and directed by Berg & Company.

Location: Rua da Boemia, 9. Praia de Taperapuan – Porto Seguro – BA- Brasil

2- Admissions

2.1. Registrations will be accepted starting on 01/01/2016 and will be

divided into two categories: amateur and professional, with unlimited couples per category.

2.2. It is understood by **amateur category**: students and dancers who dance as

a hobby only, are not part of groups or dance companies, and do not participate in events that may generate revenue for themselves. It is understood by **professional category**: professional dancers, teachers, instructors, trainers and owners of dance schools that are not Amateurs.

2.3. The last day to submit the registration form is on 30/12/2016.

2.4. A registration fee in the amount of **R\$ 150.00** will be charged for each couple.

2.5. The registration will be completed after filling the form with the main data of the couple and the term of enrolment.

2.6. In order to register, the couple should contact the organizing committee by e-mail, as follows:

Vania Gori - vangori@yahoo.com.br, cc. info.bergcongress@gmail.com

2.7. Children's participation will be allowed, but they will compete on equal terms with other participants and with the permission and assistance of their parents.

2.8. Cases of withdrawal from participation or partner exchange will be solved by the organizing committee of the championship.

3- Championship Rounds

3.1. The VI International Zouk-Lambada Championship will take part in three stages:

Eliminatory

3.2. The first round will be eliminatory and will be held on **January 03rd, 2017 at 21:00h.**

Couples must be at the venue one hour before the beginning of the presentations and report to the organizing committee properly dressed to receive their numbers, draw their group number and participate in the photo session.

3.3. The eliminatory will consist of the number of groups needed for the total number of couples enrolled, limited to a maximum of three couples per group.

3.4. Couples who are part of the groups will participate in another draw that will

determine which couples compete with which. This draw will be held in the presence of all the couples before the event starts.

3.5. The order of presentation of the groups will happen in numerical order.

Semi-final

3.6. The second round will be the semi-final and will be held on **January 05th, 2017 at 21:00h.** Couples must be at the venue one hour before the beginning of the group presentations and report to the organizing committee properly dressed to participate in the draw of the groups and the photo session.

3.7. The semi-final will consist of four groups with two couples each.

3.8. Couples who are part of each group will participate in another draw that will

determine which couples compete with which. This draw will be held in the presence of all the couples before the event starts.

3.9. The order of presentation of the groups will happen in numerical order.

Final

3.10. The third round will be the final and will be held on **January 07th, 2017 at 21:00h.** Couples must be at the event venue, one hour before the start and report to the organizing committee dressed appropriately for the draw to determine the order of the dances and photo session.

3.11. If there is noncompliance with the guidelines, the couple will be disqualified.

4. Classification

- 4.1. On the eliminatory, eight couples of each category who achieve the highest scores will qualify for the semi-finals and enter in the semi-final with a reset score.
- 4.2. The semi-finals will consist of five groups with two couples in each category. Five couples of each category who achieve the highest scores will qualify for the final.
- 4.3. At the final, each couple will dance separately. There will be a draw for the order of the couples before the event starts.
- 4.4. After the final three couples of each category who achieve the highest scores will be considered the winners.
- 4.5. The judges will grade each couple during each round ranging from 1 (one) to 10 (ten), with the possibility of "breaking" the grade. Example: 8.9; 9.2; etc.
- 4.6. The sum of the judges' grades will be the final score for each couple in each stage. After every conquered phase, the couple moves to another stage with the score always zeroed.
- 4.7. In case of a tie at any stage, the tied couples will dance one to two songs alone, which will be drawn and selected by DJs at the time. The audience will decide the tiebreaker. If the tie still remains, the judges should meet with Berg Dias to choose the couple who will classify.

5. Songs

- 5.1. The songs will be chosen by the organizing committee of the event and DJs. They can be from every beat and rhythm of Zouk-Lambada.
- 5.2. During the eliminatory and in the semi-final round the couples will dance for about 3 minutes.
- 5.3. During the final, each couple will dance separately for about 3 minutes.

6. Judges and Judging Criteria

- 6.1. The organizing committee will be composed of representatives from several countries, including Brazil, and there may be one or more representatives from each country.
- 6.2. The criteria to be judged are:
 - 6.2.1. Musicality
 - 6.2.2. Performance in dance: creative use of space, timing of movements.

6.2.3. Harmony of the whole: rapport and interaction of the couple.

6.2.4. Creativity

6.2.5. Rhythm

6.2.6. Posture

6.2.7. Dressing Style: proper attire

7. IMPORTANT OBSERVATIONS

7.1. The organizing committee and judges will not allow any objections to this regulation. The prizes will be awarded immediately after the end of the final round.

7.2. All registered couples will be subject to the rules of this Regulation.

7.3. It is not allowed for the couple to switch partners after the start of the competition. Any exchanges before the competition shall be communicated to the organization 72 hours in advance.

7.4. The organizing committee will not be responsible for any accident that may occur during the event.

7.5. Any violation of this regulation will result in disqualification of the couple.

7.6. Filming of the event will be permitted provided that the space for the couples is respected.

- 7.7. The event will have full rights over images of the championship for marketing purposes and later use.

7.8. Omissions in this Regulation shall be judged solely by the organizing committee.