BACHATA SPICE AMATEUR UK CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

1) ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE
- Bachata Spice UK Amateur Championship is a National UK Bachata competition.
- Every couple must be formed by a man and a woman.
- One of the members of the couple must have British nationality or have resided in the country for over 2 years and the second member at least for 6 months. If the couple doesn't apply with these conditions, then, both of them must have resided in the UK for over 1 year.
- No Dance professionals (full or part time) will be allowed to compete. Sometimes it's difficult to say if one member of a couple is semi-pro, pro or amateur. For this reason, we will review every qualified before the UK Finals and will accept complains about possible "invalid couples" up to 1 week before the Great UK Finals at Madre Rumba meets Bachata Spice.
- No couples who got a podium position in any UK Bachata competition will be allowed to compete.

2) FORMAT
- The Finals of the competition will be held at Madre Rumba meets Bachata Spice Party on Saturday 12th October.
- There will be qualifying heats around the country organised by local promoters with the collaboration of Bachata Spice Organization.
- On each heat two couples will qualify to for the Finals.
- Qualified couples will go straight to the finals and won't be permitted to take part in any other different heat.
- This completion will be improvisation only.
- No acrobatics or full splits will be allowed. We understand acrobatics as the moment when one of the members is not in contact with the floor to execute some kind of lift or aerial movement.
- Routines Duration: In the regional heats each couple will dance between 2,5 and 3,5 minutes depending on the number of couples and the local organization. For the same reasons couples may dance on their own or up to three couples at the same time.
- The songs will be chosen at random by the organizers, trying to always play popular songs in any of the styles.
- Each couple can execute a maximum of 2 tricks (remember no acrobatics or splits).
- In the finals there will be 2 rounds if necessary. In that case each couple qualifying to the second round will dance one more time.

3) JUDGING CRITERIAS
- Presentation: Attitude, presence and dressing match. The judges will appreciate if they competitors combine their dressing, however it's going to be only a 30% of this criteria and no costumes will be allowed.

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- Musicality: Timing, rhythm and music interpretation.
- Technique: Ability of executing clean movements, body posture while executing.
- Connection: Interaction with partner, synchronisation and leading/following.
- Spice: Latin/Caribbean flavour in the dance and audience engagement.

4) PRIZE
- Champions: £500 CASH + 1-year Free entrance to all the regular Bachata Spice events.
- 2nd and 3rd position: 2-month Free entrance to all the regular Bachata Spice events.
- Qualify to compete at Bachata Spice UK Cup 2019 or 2020 (consult with organisers).

5) DECISION OF JUDGES

- Competitors will accept the decisions of judges and the organising committee as FINAL.
- Any expression of dislike or aggression towards the judges, organizers, public, sponsors and / or any person or entity related to Bachata Spice Championship, by dancers, coaches and / or members of their families is strictly FORBIDDEN and could be taken as reason of disqualification.
- All competitors have the right to ask for a review of the results of the competition during the day of the competition.

6) JOINNING THE COMPETITION

- The minimum number of couples needed to execute each heat of this competition is 4.
- To join the competition, the participants must fill the official form.

7) COPYRIGHT
- All competitors authorise the use of their images for promotion of the event on video, image, text or audio format. All the images and videos from the competition are property of Bachata Spice.

8) CHANGES
- The organization reserves the right to change any of the rules in benefit of a fair and better running of the competition/event.