



# STUDENT'S CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

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## ABOUT THE EXAMINATION

The Student's Certificate Examination is an endorsement given to ballet students to ascertain their capability in dance performance based on the Vaganova method. It aims to professionally nurture students in attaining high standards in ballet.

## REGISTRATION

Examination must be registered by Russian Ballet Association certified teachers who have been awarded Teacher's Certificate in the corresponding Level.

Online registration for the December 2019 Examinations will commence in May 2019.

## EXAMINATION FEES

<b>Student's Certificate Examination</b>	<b>USD</b>
Level 1 Certificate	140
Level 2 Certificate	140
Level 3 / Elementary Certificate	170
Level 4 Certificate	230
Level 5 Certificate	230
Level 6 / Intermediate Certificate	300
Level 7 Certificate	380
Level 8 / Advanced Diploma	560

All Examination Fees shall be paid by PayPal within 1 month of registration.

## ELIGIBILITY

### MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT

<b>Student's Certificate Examination</b>	<b>Minimum Age Required</b>
Level 1 Certificate	9
Level 2 Certificate	10
Level 3 / Elementary Certificate	11
Level 4 Certificate	12
Level 5 Certificate	13
Level 6 / Intermediate Certificate	14
Level 7 Certificate	15
Level 8 / Advanced Diploma	16

### PREREQUISITES

Candidates must have passed all previous Levels before registering in one, but they are allowed to register for 2 Levels in the same round of Examination only if approved by the Association.

Professional dancers are allowed to skip Levels only if approved by the Association.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### ASSESSMENT FORMAT

Candidates will be assessed based on exercises choreographed by their registered teacher within the syllabus of the Level.

Each Examination includes 5 components, i.e. Barre, Centre, Pointe, Classical Variation and Character. Classical Variations are performed en pointe only from Level 4.

Examinations are taken in groups of 4-6, with Barre, Centre, Pointe and Character performed together and Classical Variation one by one.

The teacher is required to be present during the Examination.

### RECOMMENDED TIME IN MINUTES

Component	Levels		
	1-3	4-6	7-8
Barre	20	30	45
Centre	20	30	45
Pointe	15	20	30
Classical Variation	10	10	10
Character	10	10	10

Barre exercises can be performed alternately on right and left sides.

## TIMING AND SETTING

There are two rounds of Examination each year in April and December. Examination may take place in a studio fulfilling the following requirements:

- At least 1000 square feet of size
- Equipped with a fixed or portable barre
- Equipped with a traditional or electronic piano
- All mirrors must be covered

To apply for an Examination to take place at your studio, please fill in the application form in Appendix 1.

## MUSIC

Music of barre, centre, pointe and character must be played live by a piano accompanist on either a traditional or electronic piano, while that of classical variation can be in digital form.

## UNIFORM

### FEMALE CANDIDATES

The following applies to all of Levels 1-8:

- All candidates in the same group must have the same attire.
- There are no restrictions on the style and sleeve lengths of leotards.
- Pink tights are required.
- A white tutu or romantic tutu must be worn for Classical Variation.
- Leather, canvas or satin soft shoes are allowed.
- Pointe shoes must be tied by ribbons. Additional elastics are permitted but not required.
- Black canvas character shoes and plain black character skirt are required.
- Hair should be tied into a tidy bun without any accessories unless required by religion or culture.
- Makeup is allowed.

The following table shows additional requirements specific to each Level:

Level(s)	Color of Leotard	Skirt	Soft Shoes
1	White	Not allowed.	Only elastic is allowed.
2	Light blue		
3	Purple		
4	Burgundy	Short skirt is allowed but not required.	Only ribbon is allowed.
5	Royal blue		
6-8	Black		

## MALE CANDIDATES

Level	Leotard	Shorts	Tights	Socks	Shoes
1-3	White	Black	Not allowed	White	White canvas or leather.
4-8		Not allowed	Black		

## RESULTS

### SCORE STRUCTURE

Component	Percentage Taken to Final Score
Barre	20
Centre	30
Pointe	20
Variation	20
Character	10

### CLASSIFICATION

Classification	Final Score
Excellent	90-100
Good	75-89
Satisfactory	60-74
Pass	50-59
Fail	0-49

Certificate, along with a detailed comment sheet, will be sent to the teacher by mail within 3 months of examination date.



# APPENDIX 1: APPLICATION FORM FOR EXAMINATION VENUE

## PART I: APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Full Name in English</b>	
<b>Ballet School</b>	
<b>Position</b>	
<b>Contact Email</b>	
<b>Contact Phone Number</b> (please include area code)	

## PART II: STUDIO INFORMATION

<b>Full Address</b>			
<b>Size in square feet</b>			
<b>Barre</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed	<input type="checkbox"/> Portable	<input type="checkbox"/> None
<b>Piano</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Traditional	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic	<input type="checkbox"/> None
<b>Flooring</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Marley	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Tiles
<b>Air conditioning</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	

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Applicant's Signature

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Date of Application

Thank you for your application. You will be notified the result within 2 weeks by email. Should any additional information be required, you will also be asked to provide so by email. Once the studio has been approved as an Examination venue, you will not have to submit another application for future rounds of Examinations.