



## **CDTA TAP SYLLABUS 2022**

### **SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN 2022 VERSION OF SYLLABUS**

#### **FOR THOSE WHO PURCHASED COMPLETE JUNIOR TAP SYLLABUS**

1. In all grades, the word “Branch” has been replaced by “CDTA”. For example, in each grade students will show a select number of combinations set by “CDTA” (was formerly set by “the Branch”).  
Primary and Grade One - now say:  
**Candidates show 3 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 2 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher**  
Grades Two and Three - now say:  
**Candidates show 4 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 3 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher**
2. All Junior Graded exams may now be conducted by Teacher or Examiner (Teacher’s choice). Prior to this it was the Branch’s choice. (There is a place to indicate this on the actual Examination Entry Form - Part B.
3. Under Terminology, beginning in Grade One, it now states:  
**At the discretion of each teacher, definitions of, or questions on, terminology may be asked.**  
This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description and term well enough to answer any questions relating to it. (Prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask.)
4. In Grade One - Under Standard Combinations - pg 9 - “Simple Essence” to be shown front, side, and back (formerly said “or back”). The intention is for the student to know and show all three ways in exam.  
Pg 12 - Definition of **Leap** - “Province” info removed. Now says: “Spring into the air from the ball of one foot, landing on the ball of the other foot.”
5. In Grade Two - pg 17 - Combination #10 (Rhythm Section in three styles) - now states:  
*Music written especially for the Rhythm Section must be used.*  
*Music is available from the CDTA website (Grade 2 Music File).*
6. In Grade Three - pg 24 - Combination #7 - Error corrected. Changed to say “hop R” on first count 2 (formerly said “hop L”).
7. DVDs are no longer available. Instead, video files for each grade are available for purchase and download from [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
8. Optional Music for all grades is also available for purchase and download from [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
9. Timings / groupings have been added to Junior Medal Test notes at all levels.

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10. **Please note:** Candidates for Junior Bronze, Silver and Gold Medal tests may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each one will take turns performing each combination / time steps individually. May then leave room (and change costume - optional) and re-enter one at a time to show dance and/or improv (when examiner rings bell).

#### **FOR THOSE WHO PURCHASED INDIVIDUAL JUNIOR TAP SYLLABUS GRADES**

##### **PRELIMINARY / PRIMARY TAP NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - under Combinations, word “Branch” is replaced by “CDTA”
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 2 - Primary - metronome setting for Combination #7 was added - 120
- Pg 3 - Preliminary Terminology - reference to “Branch” removed. Now says: “Simple questions may be asked to assist”.
- Pg 6 - Primary - Exam may now be conducted by Teacher or Examiner (Teacher’s choice). Prior to this it was the Branch’s choice. (There is a place to indicate the Teacher’s choice on the new Examination Entry Form - Part B.
- Pg 6 - Primary Terminology (same as for Preliminary Terminology above)
- Pg 6 - Primary Combinations - reference to “Branch” removed. Now says: “ For exam: **Candidates show 3 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 2 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher.**”

##### **GRADE ONE TAP SYLLABUS NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - under Combinations, word “Branch” is replaced by “CDTA”
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Exam may now be conducted by Teacher or Examiner (Teacher’s choice). Prior to this it was the Branch’s choice. (There is a place to indicate the Teacher’s choice on the new Examination Entry Form - Part B.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to “Branch” removed. Now states: **“At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked.”** This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description and term well enough to answer any questions relating to it. (Prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask.)

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- Pg 3 - Standard Combinations - “Simple Essence” to be shown front, side, and back (Formerly said “or back”). The intention is for the candidate to know and show all three ways in exam.
- Pg 4 - Combinations - reference to “Branch” removed. Now states: “ For exam: **Candidates show 3 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 2 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher.**”
- Pg 6 & 10 - Definition of “Leap” - removal of info in parentheses. Definition now says simply: “Spring into the air from the ball of one foot, landing on the ball of the other foot.”
- **Please note: Candidates for Jr Bronze test may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each one will take turns performing each combination individually. May then leave room (and change costume - optional) and re-enter one at a time to show dance (when examiner rings bell).**

#### GRADE TWO TAP SYLLABUS NOTES (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - under Combinations, word “Branch” is replaced by “CDTA”
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Exam may now be conducted by Teacher or Examiner (Teacher’s choice). Prior to this it was the Branch’s choice. (There is a place to indicate the Teacher’s choice on the new Examination Entry Form - Part B.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to “Branch” removed. Now states: “**At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked.**” This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description and term well enough to answer any questions relating to it. (Prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask.)
- Pg 3 - Combinations - reference to “Branch” removed. Now states: “ For exam: **Candidates show 4 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 3 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher.**”
- Pg 6 - Combination #10 (Rhythm Section in three styles) now states:  
*Music written especially for the Rhythm Section must be used.*  
*Music is available from the CDTA website (Grade 2 Music File).*
- Pg 13 - Glossary - Definition of “Leap” - removal of info in parentheses. Definition now says simply: “Spring into the air from the ball of one foot, landing on the ball of the other foot.”
- **Please note: Candidates for Junior Silver Medal test may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each one will take turns performing each combination individually. May then leave room (and change costume - optional) and re-enter one at a time to show dance (when examiner rings bell).**

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#### **GRADE THREE TAP SYLLABUS NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - under Combinations, word "Branch" is replaced by "CDTA"
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Exam may now be conducted by Teacher or Examiner (Teacher's choice). Prior to this it was the Branch's choice. (There is a place to indicate the Teacher's choice on the new Examination Entry Form - Part B.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to "Branch" removed. Now states: **"At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked."** This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description well enough to answer any questions relating to it. (Prior, it was a Branch choice what to ask.)
- Pg 4 - Combinations - reference to "Branch" removed. Now states: " For exam: **Candidates show 4 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 3 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher.**"
- Pg 6 - Combination #7 - Error corrected. Changed to say "hop R" on first "count 2"
- Pg 9 & 19 - Added to Definition of "Cincinnati": "Same arm in front as leg doing buck."
- Pg 15 - Glossary - Definition of "Leap" - removal of info in parentheses. Definition now says simply: "Spring into the air from the ball of one foot, landing on the ball of the other foot."
- **Please note: Candidates for Junior Gold Medal test may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each one will take turns performing each combination individually. May then leave room (and change costume - optional) and re-enter one at a time to show dance / improv (when examiner rings bell).**

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**FOR THOSE WHO PURCHASED  
COMPLETE SENIOR TAP SYLLABUS**

1. In all grades, the word “Branch” has been replaced by “CDTA”.  
Grade Four - now says:  
**Candidates show 4 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 3 additional Combinations to be selected by Teacher.**
2. All Senior level exams, Grades Four to Advanced, are conducted by Examiner.  
This is now stated at the beginning of each grade.
3. Under Terminology, in all grades, it states:  
**At the discretion of each teacher, definitions of, or questions on, terminology may be asked.**  
This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description and term well enough to answer any questions relating to it.
4. General Guidelines - pg ii under Rhythm Study it now states: “For marking the rhythms with feet, teachers are to choreograph appropriate steps to fit the rhythm.”  
(This pertains to Grade Four and Elementary only)
5. General Guidelines - pg ii under Combinations, for Grade Four only, word “Branch” is replaced by “CDTA”
6. Optional Music for Grade Four and Elementary is also available for purchase and download from [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
7. DVDs are no longer available. Instead, video files for each grade are available for purchase and download from [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
8. Timings / groupings have been added to Senior Medal Test notes at all levels.
9. **Please note: Candidates for Senior Medal tests may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each will take turns entering and exiting exam room to perform each dance individually then leave to change costume while next candidate enters to perform (when examiner rings bell).**

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### **FOR THOSE WHO PURCHASED** **INDIVIDUAL SENIOR TAP SYLLABUS GRADES**

#### **GRADE FOUR TAP SYLLABUS NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - Rhythm Study - now states: "For marking the rhythms with feet, teachers are to choreograph appropriate steps to fit the rhythm."
- Intro - page 1 - under Combinations, word "Branch" is replaced by "CDTA"
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Added for clarity at top of page: Exam to be conducted by Examiner.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to "Branch" removed. Now states: **"At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked."** This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description well enough to answer questions relating to it (prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask)
- Pg 4 - Combinations - reference to "Branch" removed. Now states: **"For exam: Candidates show 4 Combinations set annually by CDTA (see CDTA website) and 3 additional Combinations selected by Teacher."**
- Pg 16 - Directions of Room - "Wall 7" added to diagram (missing in 2020 Syllabus)
- **Please note: Candidates for Senior Bronze Medal test may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each will take turns entering and exiting exam room to perform each dance individually then leave to change costume while next candidate enters to perform (when examiner rings bell).**

#### **ELEMENTARY TAP SYLLABUS NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - Rhythm Study - now states: "For marking the rhythms with feet, teachers are to choreograph *appropriate steps to fit the rhythm*."
- Intro - page 1 - Opt.Music - now available for purchase and download from National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Added for clarity at top of page: Exam to be conducted by Examiner.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to "Branch" removed. Now states: **"At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked."** This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description well enough to answer questions relating to it (prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask)
- **Please note: Candidates for Senior Silver Medal test may be entered as a group of one, two, or three candidates, but each will take turns entering and exiting exam room to perform each dance individually then leave to change costume while next candidate enters to perform (when examiner rings bell).**

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**INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED TAP NOTES** (\* Timings for Medal Tests added)

- Intro - page 1 - DVDs no longer available; videos of each grade are available for purchase and download off the National website: [www.cdtanational.ca](http://www.cdtanational.ca)
- Pg 3 - Added for clarity at top of page: Exam to be conducted by Examiner.
- Pg 3 - Terminology - reference to “Branch” removed. Now states: **“At the discretion of each teacher, definitions for, or questions on, terminology may be asked.”** This means that teachers can have their students give the syllabus definition of each term in the exam, or just know the description well enough to answer questions relating to it (prior to this it was a Branch choice what to ask)
- **Please note: Candidates for Senior Gold and Gold Star Medal tests may be entered as groups of one, two, or three candidates, but each candidate will take turns entering and exiting exam room to perform each dance individually then leave to change costume while next candidate enters to perform (when examiner rings bell).**