LICENTIATE



BALLROOM & SPECIALTY DANCE

BALLROOM PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Professional examinations are made up of three sections:

1. PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION

- Demonstration to music is the first requirement. The Candidate must pass this section to continue with the examination. A "classic" demonstration is expected.
- Candidate may choose to be examined as a Leader or Follower.

2. THEORY AND TECHNICAL ANALYSIS (Oral Examination)

- Questions are suitable for the exam level, becoming more challenging as Candidates progress.
- Technique and theory are based on these Reference Books:
 - Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing (ISTD) <u>www.istd.org</u>
 - The Ballroom Technique
 - Latin American Technique Part 1 Rumba
 - Latin American Technique Part 2 Cha Cha Cha
 - Latin American Technique Part 3 Paso Doble
 - Latin American Technique Part 4 Samba
 - Latin American Technique Part 5 Jive
 - o The Viennese Waltz by Harry Smith-Hampshire, 1985 Revisionist Press
 - Social Rhythm Teach Yourself Ballroom Dancing (if not available, use the list below)
 - Rhythm dancing figures (Social Foxtrot) Slow or Quick
 - Quarter Turn Right and Left
 - Natural Rock turn (Pivot)
 - Reverse Pivot Turn
 - Back Corte
 - Sidestep
 - Promenade Walk and Chasse
 - Additional figures may be used

3. TEACHING ABILITY

• The Candidate's ability to teach is assessed during the examination. (Does not apply to Pre-Associate level.)

LENGTH OF EXAMINATION

Ballroom/Standard	Latin
2 hours	2 hours

For complete exam guidelines, please refer to "CDTA Ballroom Professional Examination Handbook".

LICENTIATE LEVEL - BALLROOM/STANDARD

The specified figures from the STEP LISTS are:

- Waltz 1-24
- Tango 1-20
- Foxtrot 1-19
- Quickstep 1-22
- Viennese Waltz 1 6 Natural Turn, Forward Change, Backward Change, Reverse Turn

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION

The Candidate must demonstrate:

- with a partner
- o to music
- o choosing either the Leader or Follower role
- the required dances (Foxtrot, Quickstep, Tango, Waltz, and Viennese Waltz)
- using the specified figures

The Candidate must also:

- o dance the opposite role (Leader or Follower) to music with or without a partner.
- start an imaginary class to music [Examiner's choice of dance(s)].

The Candidate must also dance:

- o solo
- \circ to music
- Leader or Follower steps (Examiner's choice)
- o an amalgamation of two or three specified figures (Examiner's choice)
- o in any or all required dances (Examiner's choice)

THEORY AND TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Candidates are required to:

- Show a technical understanding of any of the specified figures or parts of figures as requested.
- Demonstrate with balance and deportment during the presentation of any of the following principles in any of the specified figures.
 - 1. Tempo
 - 2. Time signature
 - 3. Hold
 - 4. Counting in beats and/or beats and bars

- 5. Feet Positions
- 6. Alignment or Direction
- 7. Amount of Turn
- 8. Rise and Fall
- 9. Footwork
- 10. Sway
- 11. CBM
- 12. CBMP
- 13. Forward and Backward Walks
- 14. Description of Figures
- 15. Three precedes and follows to each specified figure

TEACHING ABILITY

For this discipline's five dances, candidates are required to:

- Answer questions on class teaching methods in any dance
- Show practical methods of teaching any dance or specified figure selected by the Examiner
- Show the correction of common faults in any of the specified figures from any dance

LICENTIATE LEVEL - LATIN

The specified figures from the STEP LISTS are:

- Samba 1-23
- Cha Cha Cha 1-23
- Rumba 1-21
- Paso Doble 1-24
- Jive 1-20

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION

The Candidate must demonstrate:

- with a partner
- o to music
- choosing either the Leader or Follower role
- o the required dances (Cha Cha Cha, Jive, Paso Doble, Rumba, and Samba)
- using a selection of the specified figures.

The Candidate must also:

- o dance the opposite role (Leader or Follower) to music with or without a partner.
- start an imaginary class to music [Examiner's choice of dance(s)].

The Candidate must also dance:

- \circ solo
- \circ to music
- Leader or Follower steps (Examiner's choice)
- \circ an amalgamation of two or three specified figures (Examiner's choice)
- o in any or all required dances (Examiner's choice)

THEORY AND TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Candidates are required to:

- Show a technical understanding of any of the specified figures or parts of figures as requested.
- Demonstrate with balance and deportment during the presentation of any of the principles in any of the specified figures.
 - 1. Basic action
 - 2. Hold(s)
 - 3. Time and Tempo
 - 4. Rhythm
 - 5. Timing

- 6. Counting in beats and beats and bars
- 7. Foot positions
- 8. Alignment (where applicable)
- 9. Amount of Turn
- 10. Footwork
- 11. Three precedes and follows are expected (minimum of 2).

The Candidate must apply the following principles to the specified figure(s) in each dance

- 1. Basic Action; Body positions and Holds
- 2. Time Signature, Tempo, Rhythm and Counting in beats and beats and bars
- 3. Foot Positions; Alignment (where applicable)
- 4. Amount of turn; Footwork; Leads (where applicable)
- 5. Two precedes and follows to each specified figure

TEACHING ABILITY

For this discipline's five dances, candidates are required to:

- Answer questions on class teaching methods in any dance
- Show practical methods of teaching any dance or specified figure selected by the Examiner
- Show the correction of common faults in any of the specified figures from any dance
- Understand training of students for the Medal Test program

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (BALLROOM / STANDARD)

WALTZ

- 1. Closed Changes
- 2. Natural Turn
- 3. Reverse Turn
- 4. Natural Spin Turn
- 5. Whisk
- 6. Chasse from Promenade Position
- 7. Closed Impetus
- 8. Hesitation Change
- 9. Outside Change
- 10. Reverse Corte
- 11. Back Whisk
- 12. Basic Weave
- 13. Double Reverse Spin
- 14. Reverse Pivot
- 15. Back Lock
- 16. Progressive Chasse to Right
 - * Whisk side of room Man turn ¼ or Whisk side of room Man turn 1/8
 - * Progressive Chasse to Right end backing LOD or DC
- 17. Weave from PP
- 18. Closed Telemark
- 19. Open Telemark and Cross Hesitation
- 20. Open Telemark and Wing
- 21. Open Impetus and Cross Hesitation
- 22. Open Impetus and Wing
- 23. Outside Spin
- 24. Turning Lock
 - ** Drag Hesitation

* Whisk at corner Man turning 1/4

- * Outside Change may end in PP
- * Back Whisk with turn
- * Basic Weave may end in PP

* Weave from PP may end in PP

* Open Telemark and Cross Hesitation may overturn

- * Underturned Outside Spin
- * Turning Lock may end in PP

VIENNESE WALTZ (Harry Smith – Hampshire)

- 1. Natural Turn
- 2. Forward Change Steps Natural to Reverse
- 3. Forward Change Steps Reverse to Natural
- 4. Reverse Turn
- 5. Backward Change Steps Natural and Reverse
- 6. Backward Change Steps Reverse to Natural
- Note: * Refers to an alternative method to dancing the figure at that level.
 - ** Refers to allowed figure that can be danced at that level.

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (BALLROOM / STANDARD) cont'd.

TANGO

- 1. Left Foot and Right Foot Walk
- 2. Progressive Side Step
- 3. Progressive Link
- 4. Closed Promenade
- 5. Rock Turn
- 6. Open Reverse Turn, Lady Outside
- Back Corte
 *Open Finish
- 8. Open Reverse Turn, Lady in Line
- 9. Progressive Side Step Reverse Turn
- 10. Open Promenade
- 11. Left Foot and Right Foot Rocks
- 12. Natural Twist Turn
- 13. Natural Promenade Turn
- 14. Promenade Link
- 15. Four Step
- 16. Back Open Promenade
- 17. Outside Swivel
- 18. Fallaway Promenade
- 19. Four Step Change
- 20. Brush Tap

- * RF Walk to PP
- * Closed Promenade Man turning ¼ to Right

- * LF Rock Outside Partner in CBMP * LF Rock OP in CBMP with $\frac{1}{4}$
 - turn R
- * Natural Twist Turn ended in Closed Position
- * Natural Promenade Turn with Rock Ending
- * Reverse Promenade Link
- * Overturned Four Step
- * Methods 1-4

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (BALLROOM / STANDARD) cont'd.

FOXTROT

1. Feather Step	
2. Three Step	
3. Natural Turn	
4. Reverse Turn and Feather Finish	
5. Closed Impetus and Feather Finis	n
6. Natural Weave	
7. Change of Direction	
8. Basic Weave	
* Basic Weave Overturned	
* Natural Weave from PP	
9. Closed Telemark	
10.Open Telemark and Feather Endir	ıg
11.Top Spin	
12.Hover Feather	
13.Hover Telemark	* Hover Telemark to PP
14.Natural Telemark	
15.Hover Cross	
16.Open Telemark, Natural Turn, Outside Swivel and Feather Ending	
	* Underturned Outside Swivel
	* Outside Swivel after Feather Step, Feather Finish or Feather Ending
	* Open Natural Turn (steps 4-6 of Figure 16)
17.Open Impetus	
18.Weave from PP	
19.Reverse Wave	* Alignments A – E

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (BALLROOM / STANDARD) cont'd.

QUICKSTEP

- 1. Quarter Turn to Right
- 2. Natural Turn
- 3. Natural Turn with Hesitation
- 4. Natural Pivot Turn
- 5. Natural Spin Turn
- 6. Progressive Chasse * Small room may follow with an extra S back and Progressive Chasse to new LOD

* Tipple Chasse to Right (Along side of room)

* Heel Pivot

- 7. Chasse Reverse Turn
- 8. Forward Lock
- 9. Closed Impetus
- 10. Back Lock
- 11. Reverse Pivot
- 12. Progressive Chasse to Right
- 13. Tipple Chasse to Right (at corner)
- 14. Running Finish
- 15. Natural Turn and Back Lock
- 16. Double Reverse Spin
 - ** Zig Zag, Back Lock and Running Finish
 - ** Cross Chasse
 - ** Change of Direction
 - * Checked Underturned Tipple Chasse
- 17. Quick Open Reverse
- 18. Fishtail
- 19. Running Right Turn
- 20. Four Quick Run
- 21. V6
- 22. Closed Telemark
- Note: * Refers to an alternative method to dancing the figure at that level.
 - ** Refers to allowed figure that can be danced at that level.

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (LATIN)

SAMBA

- 1. Basic Movements: Natural, Reverse, Side, Progressive
- 2. Whisks to Left and Right (including Lady's Underarm Turn)
- 3. Samba Walks: Promenade, Side, Stationary (including Lady's Underarm Turn)
- 4. Rhythm Bounce on LF or RF
- 5. Volta Movements

- * Traveling Without Turn
- 6. Traveling Bota Fogos Forward
- 7. Criss Cross Bota Fogos (Shadow Boto Fogos)
- 8. Traveling Bota Fogos Back
- 9. Bota Fogos to PP and CPP
- 10. Criss Cross Voltas
- 11. Solo Spot Voltas
- 12. Foot Changes 1-3, Same Foot Figures (Rhythm Bounce, Samba Walks, Traveling Bota Fogos Forward, Shadow Traveling Voltas)

* Endings 1, 2 & 3

- 13. Shadow Traveling Voltas
- 14. Reverse Turn
- 15. Corta Jaca
- 16. Closed Rocks
 - *Circular Voltas to Left or Right
 - * Shadow Traveling Volta Development
 - * Foot Change 4 and 8 (Right Shadow to Promenade; Right Side to Right Shadow)
 - * Corta Jaca as per Note 3 (Page 85)
- 17. Open Rocks
- 18. Back Rocks
- 19. Plait
- 20. Rolling off the Arm
- 21. Argentine Crosses
- 22. Maypole to Left or Right
- 23. Shadow Circular Volta

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (LATIN) cont'd.

CHA CHA CHA

- * RF and LF Side Chasse, Compact Chasse, Split Cuban Break Chasse
- * Simple Chasse Forward and Backward
- * Forward and Backward Locks and Runs
- 1. Basic Movements (Closed, Open, In Place)
- 2. New York to Left Side and Right Side
- 3. Spot, Switch and Underarm Turns to Left and Right
- 4. Shoulder to Shoulder, Left side and Right side
- 5. Hand to Hand to Left Side and Right-Side Position including Alternative Hold
- 6. Three Cha Cha Chas Method 1 4
- 7. Side Steps to Left or Right
- 8. There and Back
- 9. Time Steps Left Foot and Right Foot
 - * Alternative for Compact Chasse (Cucaracha style)
 - * Shoulder to Shoulder Developments
- 10. Fan
- 11. Alemana
- 12. Hockey Stick
- 13. Natural Top
- 14. Natural Opening Out Movement
- 15. Closed Hip Twist
 - * Chasse Alternatives: Ronde, Twist, Slip
 - * Guapacha Timing
 - * Spot / Switch Turn to Left Development (Lady to R)
 - * Fan Development
 - * 6-10 of Hockey Stick from 10 of Natural Top
- 16. Open Hip Twist
- 17. Reverse Top
- 18. Opening Out from Reverse Top
- 19. Aida with Ending 1 Or 2/Aida from 5 of Curl or Spiral
- 20. Spiral Turns including (Spiral; Curl, Rope Spinning), Underturned Spiral
- 21. Cross Basic
- 22. Cuban Breaks Left Foot and Right Foot, Split Cuban Breaks
- 23. Chase

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (LATIN) cont'd.

RUMBA

- 1. Basic Movements (Closed, Open, In Place, LF / RF Alt. Basic)
- 2. LF and RF Cucarachas
- 3. New York to Left Side or Right Side Position
- 4. Spot, Switch and Underarm Turns to Left and Right
- 5. Left Side and Right Side Shoulder to Shoulder
- 6. Hand to Hand to Left Side or Right Side Position (Including Alternative Hold)
- 7. Progressive Walks Forward and Back
- 8. Side Steps to Left or Right
- 9. Cuban Rocks.
 - * Shoulder to Shoulder Developments
 - * Progressive Walks Forward in Left Side or Right Side Position
- 10. Fan
- 11. Alemana (including from Open Position)
- 12. Hockey Stick
- 13. Natural Top
- 14. Opening Out to Right and Left
- 15. Natural Opening Out Movement
- 16. Closed Hip Twist
 - * Development of LF and RF Alternative Basic Movement
 - * Spot / Switch Turn to Left (Lady to R) Development
 - * Cuban Rock in Left Side Position
 - * Fan Development
 - * 4-6 Hockey Stick from 6 Natural Top
 - * Opening Out to Left and Right Developments
- 17. Open Hip Twist
- 18. Reverse Top
- 19. Opening Out from Reverse Top
- 20. Aida and Endings 1, 2, and 3
- * Aida from Step 3 of Curl or Spiral
- 21. Spiral Turns; Spiral; Underturned Spiral, Curl, Rope Spinning, Rope Spinning from Progressive Walks Back

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (LATIN) cont'd.

PASO DOBLE

- * The Appel
- * Slip Appel (Man and Lady both back)
- 1. Sur Place (may end in PP)
- 2. Basic Movement Forward or Backward (may end in PP)
- 3. Chasses to Right and Left * Chasse to L ended in PP, Chasses to R and L with Elevation
- 4. Drag
- 5. Deplacement
- 6. Promenade Link/Promenade Close
- 7. Promenade
- 8. Ecart
- 9. Separation
- 10. Separation with Lady's Caping Walks
 - * Slip Appel (Man back, Lady Forward)
 - * Attack (method of dancing Deplacement)
 - * Slip Attack (method of dancing Deplacement
 - * Slip Ecart
- 11. Fallaway Ending to Separation
- 12. Huit
- 13. Sixteen
- 14. Promenade and Counter Promenade
- 15. Grand Circle
- 16. Open Telemark
 - * Sur Place with Elevations
 - * Overturned Promenade and Counter Promenade
 - * Methods of Changing Feet
- 17. La Passe
- 18. Banderillas
- 19. Twist Turn
- 20. Fallaway Reverse Turn
- 21. Coup de Pique (include Methods A and B)
- 22. Left Foot Variation
- 23. Spanish Lines (Inverted PP and CPP Position)
- 24. Flamenco Taps (Method 1)

STEP LISTS FOR LICENTIATE LEVEL (LATIN) cont'd.

JIVE

- * Chasses: Side, Compact, Forward, Backward, Turning
- 1. Basic in Place
- 2. Fallaway Rock including all Alternative Methods
- 3. Fallaway Throwaway
- 4. Link
- 5. Change of Places Right to Left
- 6. Change of Places Left to Right
- 7. Change of Places Behind Back
- 8. Hip Bump (Left Shoulder Shove)* Double Link
 - * Fallaway Rock Development
- 9. American Spin
- 10. Walks
- 11. Stop and Go
- 12. Mooch
- 13. Whip
- 14. Whip Throwaway
 - * Chasses: Fwd or Bwd Locks, Fwd or Bwd Running
 - * Overturned Fallaway Throwaway
 - * Alternatives to 1-2 of Link: Flick (or Point) Ball Change, Hesitation Ball Change
 - * Change of Places Right to Left with Lady's Spin
 - * Walks with Man's Merengue Action
- 15. Reverse Whip
- 16. Windmill
- 17. Spanish Arms
- 18. Rolling Off the Arm
- 19. Simple Spin
- 20. Miami Special

Note: * Refers to an alternative method to dancing the figure at that level.

- * Hand Change Method 1 & 2
- * Hand Change Method 1
- * Alternative Use of Hands

* Spin Ending

* Chasses