

If you have recently registered for a dance competition coming up, you may have already noticed....

O2CM is adding an additional step to the registration process. This will help alleviate several organizer issues, as well as add benefits for the competitors.

The Basics:

Each individual competitor will need to go to competitor.o2cm.com, create an account and register for a unique Registration Identification Number (RIN). This will become the competitor's permanent dancer ID in O2CM and will be used every time they register in O2CM. *NOTE: A single account at competitor.o2cm.com can manage a spouse and children (up to 6 people) with the same last. This allowance is to help parents manage their youth dancers.*

Quick Step for the person Registering (single partnership, not studio):

At the point of creating a new competitor, there is a link in the dialog directing you to go to competitor.o2cm.com to get your RIN. If you have not already created your own RIN, click that link and it will take you directly to the competitor.o2cm.com page. All of your information from register.o2cm.com EXCEPT a password will be filled into the fields. This will set up YOUR RIN.

O2CM Remembering Competitors:

If you have enjoyed the feature where O2CM remembers the USA Dance numbers you used for registration in the past, this will be replaced. RIN numbers will be linked to your account either by having the same competitor account email as your registration account email, or by linking as shown below. So at first, there will be no names in the drop downs for lead/follow. (Unless you have already completed the competitor process.)

Getting Partners/Students signed up:

To encourage your partner/students whom you register under your account, send them an email including the following link. <http://competitor.o2cm.com/Account/register?account=johndoe@example.com> (Please replace johndoe@example.com with your email address) This links their RIN to the register.o2cm.com account johndoe@example.com. You will then see that person in the lead/follow dropdowns.

Finding Someone's RIN:

If you know a dancers email address, but not their RIN, you can first search for the RIN by email address in the "New" competitor dialog (step two in registration).

If you don't find a RIN, you could start the process for them by filling out the form at competitor.o2cm.com and then ask them to click the link in the confirmation email. (They can request the password at the competitor.o2cm.com login page)

Benefits:

Competitors will see easier registration (after the first step is taken), quick access to historical results and upcoming events. There will also be leaderboards for some types of events based on entries with correct RIN. You will be able to link various National/World memberships (USA Dance, WDSF, AAU, etc.) so you or your partner doesn't have to memorize them.

Organizers will see a reduction in erroneous entries and have the ability to restrict some events to members of particular associations.

More Info:

There is a full description of the process when you go to register.o2cm.com. Scroll down from the login to see it.

Note about the future:

There may come a time where there will be a charge for a new RIN or RIN account. This should eliminate registration of non-existent competitors. The live.o2cm.com lifetime subscription may go away as well, but the yearly subscription would include benefits in an upcoming Dancesport circuit.

Apologies: To ensure anyone who may need this information was included, I had to override the opt-out feature of the O2CM mailing list. Rest assured, no other person can access the O2CM mailing list in this way. Please accept my apologies - I do not wish to offend.

ANY Questions, please contact the organizer at support@o2cm.com

Helpful Links:

[Online Entry Forms](#) - Log in to review entries and account details

[Entry List](#)

[Preliminary Schedule](#)