

SOAR SDC – PARENT & SPECTATOR GUIDE

1. WELCOME TO SOAR

SOAR SDC is built to celebrate street dance in a way that is:

- Safe
- Inclusive
- Positive
- High standard
- Growth-focused

Whether this is your first competition or your tenth, we aim to provide a professional, supportive and inspiring experience for every dancer.

Our goal is simple:

Every dancer should leave feeling proud.

2. WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE DAY

SOAR events take place in a busy, high-energy environment.

You can expect:

- A main performance floor
- Audience seating
- A line-up / holding area
- Music and announcements throughout the day
- Awards presentations

This is an exciting and supportive environment designed to celebrate every dancer.

3. YOUR CHILD'S JOURNEY

1. Arrive at the venue

2. Check in with your dance school

Your dance school representative will have been provided with:

- Solo/Duo numbers
- Event information
- Any additional products or requirements for the day

3. Warm up and prepare
4. Line up for their category
5. Perform
6. Receive results and awards

Every dancer is supported throughout the day by their teacher and event staff.

4. ARRIVAL INFORMATION

- Please arrive in good time before your dancer's category
- Running orders will be shared in advance via your dance school
- Late arrivals may miss their category
- SOAR cannot rearrange the running order on the day

Entry & Wristbands:

- All attendees must have a valid wristband
- Wristbands must be worn at all times
- Wristbands may be checked throughout the day

5. SEATING & SPECTATORS

- Seating is allocated to each dance school
- Studios will be seated together where possible
- All spectators will have a seat

We encourage a positive and supportive atmosphere — cheering is welcome.

Please be mindful of others:

- Do not block views
- Keep aisles and walkways clear
- Follow staff guidance at all times

6. LINE-UP & HOLDING AREAS

- Dancers may be asked to line up before performing
- These areas are located within the main event space
- Teachers and staff supervise dancers

Due to space restrictions:

- Parents are not permitted to stand directly with dancers during line-up. Dancers will be supervised by their teachers and SOAR event staff and will remain in plain sight at all times for reassurance.

7. CHANGING & PREPARATION

- Dancers must not change in public areas
- Please plan costumes and layers in advance
- Changing areas must be respected

Filming is strictly prohibited in:

- Changing areas
- Toilets

8. FIRST TIME AT SOAR?

If this is your first competition — welcome.

SOAR is designed to be:

- Supportive
- Encouraging
- Accessible for all levels

Your child's teacher and our event team will guide them throughout the day.

At SOAR, success isn't just about winning — it's about confidence, growth and enjoying the experience.

9. BEHAVIOUR & EXPECTATIONS

We ask that everyone:

- Treats others with respect
- Supports all dancers
- Follows staff instructions
- Maintains appropriate behaviour at all times

Zero tolerance for:

- Bullying or intimidation
- Aggressive behaviour
- Disrespect towards dancers, staff or judges
- Inappropriate behaviour towards children

10. SOCIAL MEDIA & FILMING

Filming Guidelines:

- Parents and guardians may film their own child during Solo and Duo categories
- Filming of other dancers, Teams or Megacrew performances is not permitted
- Please respect the privacy and performance of all competitors at all times

Social Media:

- Do not post content that targets or mocks dancers
- Follow safeguarding guidelines
- Remove content if requested by SOAR staff

11. SAFEGUARDING

- Dancers under 16 must be supervised at all times
- SOAR staff are not responsible for supervising children

If you have a concern:

- Speak to a member of staff
- Ask for the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

All concerns will be taken seriously and handled appropriately.

12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Full competition rules, categories and policies can be found on the SOAR website.

13. FINAL NOTE

SOAR exists to create an environment where dancers can:

- Grow
- Perform
- Build confidence
- Feel proud

Thank you for being part of the SOAR community.