Attendance Policy

Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, New York Branch, Inc. (hereinafter "Branch"), admits persons of all kinds to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities of its events. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, sexual orientation, age, religion, or national or ethnic origin.

The Branch intends to provide events for promotion and enjoyment of Scottish Country Dancing and to ensure the safety of all participants.

Events (hereinafter "Event(s)") are those activities authorized by the Branch's Executive Committee as an official function or co-sponsored event, such as Balls and gatherings, as well as all regular class sessions, end-of-series parties, and summer dancing.

Attendees of Branch Events are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous manner.

- 1. Anyone whose behavior is determined by the Executive Committee or the committee running the Event to be offensive, dangerous, or disruptive to the enjoyment of the Event for other participants will not be allowed to participate in the Event.
- 2. Attendance is at the discretion of the Executive Committee or the committee running the Event.
- 3. Children under 18 may attend if supervised full-time by their parent(s) or guardian(s) or, on a case-by-case basis, by another adult if the Event registrar receives written parental permission in advance of the Event.
- 4. Spectators may attend all Events. Spectators, including non-dancing children, may watch the dancing if space is available, but must remain clear of the dance floor.
- 5. All dancers at the Event are expected to have a minimum of six months of Scottish Country Dance instruction (except when a Basic Class Series is accepting new dancers and at specific newcomers' Events or children's classes).

Procedures:

- 1. If the Executive Committee or the committee running the Event determines an applicant's behavior has been or may be offensive, dangerous, or disruptive to the enjoyment of the Event experience for other participants, the committee may decline to accept that person's registration for an Event. In such a case the person's application and any payment will be returned as quickly as is practicable with a brief letter informing the individual that the application has not been accepted.
- 2. If, during an Event, an attendee displays offensive, dangerous, or disruptive behavior, the committee may ask that individual to leave. Attendees who witness such behavior should bring it to the attention of the committee so that the committee can act accordingly.
- 3. Parents of children attending an Event under the supervision of an adult other than a parent or guardian must deliver permission forms to the Event registrar prior to the event. The forms are available from the Event registrar or may be <u>downloaded</u> from the Branch web site.