

**Exclusion of solo competitors from participation-submitted by John Eric Partanen,
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Existing text:

No existing text. The proposed paragraph should be added to the WUSPBA Contest Rules. All other sections to be renumbered.

Proposed text:

Part 1. Solo Contest Rules

1.5 Exclusion of solo competitors from participation: No solo competitor, or instructor for a solo competitor that are members in good standing of the WUSPBA or any ANAPBA affiliated pipe band association shall be excluded from participation at any WUSPBA sanctioned solo contest, or contests without prior written approval from the Executive Committee.

Rational:

All contests sanctioned by the WUSPBA should be open to WUSPBA and ANAPBA affiliated solo, instructor, and pipe band members in good standing unless there is a compelling reason for the exclusion. A contest sponsor that wants to exclude WUSPBA members and ANAPBA affiliated members from a WUSPBA sanctioned contest must present arguments for and apply for such exclusions.