



The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association

Music Board – Competition Procedures

Playing Requirements

Novice Juvenile

- MAP: 3 X 2 parted Marches selected from the Approved RSPBA MAP Listing issued for the appropriate competition year – see also “MAP Requirement Details” below.
- Finals at Majors and Minor Contests: 2 Minutes 45 Seconds to 4 Minutes 30 Seconds of Quick March Rhythm.

Grade 4B

- MAP: 3 X 2 parted Marches selected from the Approved RSPBA MAP Listing issued for the appropriate competition year.
- Finals at Majors and Minor Contests: 2 Minutes 45 Seconds to 4 Minutes 30 Seconds of Quick March Rhythm.

Grade 4A

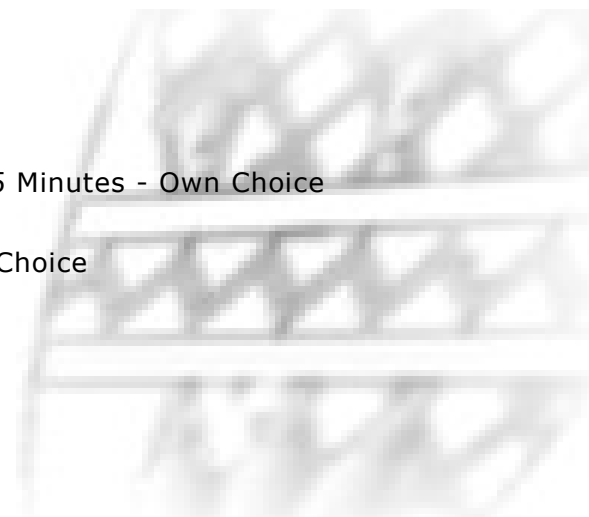
- MAP: 3 X 2 parted Marches selected from the Approved RSPBA MAP Listing issued for the appropriate competition year.
- Finals at Majors and Minor Contests: 2 Minutes 45 Seconds to 4 Minutes 30 Seconds of Quick March Rhythm.

Juvenile

- Medley: Selection of tunes X 1 of 3 Minutes to 5 Minutes - Own Choice
or
- MSR: Set X 1 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes - Own Choice

Grade 3B

- Medley: Selection of tunes X 1 of 3 Minutes to 5 Minutes - Own Choice
or
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Grade 3A

- Medley: Selection of tunes X 1 of 3 Minutes to 5 Minutes - Own Choice
or
- MSR: Set X 1 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes - Own Choice

Grade 2

- Medley: Selection of tunes X 1 of 4 Minutes to 6 Minutes - Own Choice
or
- MSR: Set X 2 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes - Own Choice – Drawn on Line
or
- Where a Major Championship for MSR requires a Qualifier, the qualifying heats will be MSR: Set 1 X Minimum 4 Parts of each – Own Choice

Grade 1 All Contests - Excluding The World Championships

Grade 1 All Contests – Exception The World Championships

- Medley: Selection of tunes X 2 of 5 Minutes to 7 Minutes - Own Choice – Drawn on Line
or
- MSR: Set X 2 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes - Own Choice – Drawn on Line

Grade 1 - World Championships

- Qualifier: MSR: Set X 1 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes - Own Choice
- Final: MSR: Set X 2 - Minimum 4 Parted tunes – Own Choice - Drawn on Line
And
Selection of Tunes X 1 - 5 Minutes to 7 Minutes - Own Choice



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Requirements at Competitions

- Championships: The above criteria for each grade will always be adhered to and the playing requirements for each championship will be confirmed by the Music Board and ratified by National Council for the coming Season in November / December. Advice to Bands will be via the website and specified on each Championship Entry Form.
- Minor Competitions: The above criteria for each grade will always be adhered to and the playing requirements will be specified on each Competition Entry Form.

MAP Requirement Details

- Bands must comply with the interpretation of the melodic structure as per the Academy recommendations. Bands may customise tunes but must retain the Time Signature required.
- Whilst customisation is accepted, where 2 parts of a tune are offered on the MAP List - e.g. Parts 1 and 2 of a 4 parted tune, Bands can not substitute Parts 1 and 2 with part 3 etc.

Approved Music Board: **4th October 2008.**

Approved National Council: **18th October 2008.**

