



RULES & REGULATIONS FOR Group OTE'A

Rules and Regulations are designed to monitor a Group's performance in two (2) Divisions. The HURA TAU (Sr.) Division and the HURA AVA TAU (Jr.) Division.

These divisions will require a minimum of five (5) dancers and a maximum of ten (10) dancers in either Division. There must be at least two (2) groups registered in each Division (Jr. and Sr.). Should we have only one (1) entry in each division the entries will then be merged into the Sr. Division (Hura Tau).

OTE'A

Groups may choose the following options:

- Ote'a Amui (comprised of both male and females)
- Ote'a Vahine (comprised of females only)
- Ote'a Tane (comprised of males only)

**All of the above will compete for one (1) award category. In other words there are no separate awards for Vahine, Tane, and/or Amui.

Guideline for OTE'A

- The minimum age requirement for Ote'a is fourteen (14) years of age.
- Groups must have a minimum of five (5) dancers with a maximum of ten (10) dancers.
- Your Group must perform for a duration of three (3) minutes to a maximum of seven (7) minutes.
- The following are suggested to be included in the Ote'a but **not mandated**: aparima, paoa, and/or hivinau.

Fact sheet:

- A summary of your group and theme presentation, including all lyrics and/or orero is required to be distributed to the judges prior to your performance. Please provide four (4) copies. Please submit your group presentations summary (lyrics if aparima included) to mrstahiti@me.com no later than August 3, 2019.

Costume for OTE'A

- A traditional "more" made out of "purau" fibers, dry or fresh plants or leaves is acceptable. The adornments also made from fresh or dry plants such as foliage, and flowers, feathers or mother of pearl shells will be left to the creative choice of the Ra'atira (group leader).
- A "hatua" or belt of the same material is also recommended.
- Length, long or short is left to the creative choice of the Ra'atira.
- Head ornaments (helmets, crowns, tiaras, head-pieces, various bunches of flowers) are all acceptable.
- Neck, ankle, wrist and arm ornaments matching the head adornment are allowed.

Sound set up:

- Maximum musicians is seven (7).
- Sound set-up time will be limited to seven (7) minutes. **A 5pt. penalty will be for enforced every (1) minute over your allotted time for sound set up.**
- Recorded music is permitted and must be converted to mp3 format and submitted to mrstahiti@me.com or mailed in on memory stick to TNI no later than August 3, 2019.

Judging criteria:

- Your group will be judged in the following categories: choreography, technique, synchronization, artistic expression, costume, and judge's overall impression.

Awards:

- 2nd and 3rd places will receive a certificate, trophy, and cash.
- 1st place will receive a certificate, trophy, gift, and cash.

Score sheet:

- Your group score sheet will be available for pick up at the end of the event. (See scoring tables.)