

# Important Message

*To ensure everyone's safety*

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## 1. General Guidelines for the Audience:

- **High Vigilance Required:** Fireknife dancing is a high-risk discipline. We kindly ask for your full cooperation to prevent any accidents.
  - **Remain Seated:** Spectators must stay seated during performances to avoid distracting the competitors. If you are near standing tables or the bar during a performance, please remain in place to avoid disturbing the audience and competitors.
  - **No Waving Flags or Objects:** Please refrain from waving flags or any objects that could distract competitors or judges.
  - **Do Not Throw Objects:** Throwing objects toward the stage or performers is strictly prohibited.
  - **No Flash Photography:** While photos and videos are allowed, using flash is strictly forbidden to avoid disturbing the competitors.
  - **Watch Your Children:** Keep your children close at all times. Running or playing near the competition area, backstage, or around the motu is prohibited to ensure their safety.
  - **No Smoking:** Smoking is strictly prohibited throughout the motu due to the presence of flammable materials.
  - **Backstage Access:** Access to backstage areas is strictly limited to those with proper accreditation.
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## 2. In Case of Fire-Related Incidents:

- **Do Not Panic:** If flames move slightly to the sides or toward the audience, remain calm. A trained security team is ready to intervene immediately.
  - **Fire Extinguishers Available:** Fire extinguishers will be used if necessary. This is a standard safety measure to protect everyone.
  - **Safety Perimeter:** A safety perimeter has been established around the stage to ensure the audience's safety. Please respect this boundary, especially photographers, children, and competitors' parents.
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### 3. Musicians' Safety:

Musicians positioned on elevated platforms are under the supervision of our security team. Please do not approach them during or after performances, particularly if flames pose any risk to their area.

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### 4. Specific Rules for Competitors:

- **Training and Compliance with Safety Rules:**  
Every competitor has been trained in the strict safety guidelines established by the organizers and has committed to adhering to them. Non-compliance will result in immediate disqualification.
  - **Prohibited Areas for Performances:**  
Competitors are strictly forbidden from performing on the secondary stage or on grassy areas, even briefly. Violating this rule will prompt immediate intervention by security personnel, who may use fire extinguishers if needed. Any infraction will result in disqualification, and the competitor will be required to leave the hotel premises without delay.
  - **Backstage and Infrastructure Security:**  
Rigorous security measures are in place to protect competitors, staff, hotel guests, and event infrastructure. Adherence to these rules is essential to maintain a safe environment.
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### 5. In Case of Emergencies:

- **Follow Staff Instructions:**  
In the event of an issue, calmly follow the guidance of security personnel and event staff, especially if the motu needs to be evacuated.