

Step by step guide to compete in the Urdd Eisteddfod

1 Membership

Create an account within Y Porth

The first step is to create your account and profile within Y Porth. You will then be able to proceed with membership for the year, and are able to return to 'Y Porth' at any time to check or update your details.

Membership with the Urdd

After creating an account and profile within 'Y Porth', you can become an Urdd member yourself (if over 16 years of age) or join your children with the Urdd.

Once payment has been processed, you or your children will be Urdd members for the year, and you'll receive a confirmation e-mail. You're able to return to 'Y Porth' at any time to check or update your details. You will be able to use 'Y Porth', to register for the Eisteddfod competitions.

2 Syllabus

The Syllabus includes all Eisteddfod competitions, whether performing on stage, Homework, Cogurdd or Art Designs and Technology.

You can check what pieces are for each competition, including where you can order or receive them.

The Syllabus contains general rules of competition and also rules for specific divisions. You will need to familiarise yourself with all the rules here.

3 Important Dates

An important date list is available in the Syllabus and on the Urdd website. Local dates available under My Area: urdd.cymru/en/my-area/ and local social media pages.



4 Register online through Y Porth

Registration for all competitions can be done through your account on Y Porth. You can register individual competitions as a parent, but the school/branch will need to register group competitions.

When registering you must ensure that the competition is correct, and that you have completed the membership process. Ensure that self-selected pieces have been uploaded, including copyright for these pieces.

Scan this QR code for more info:



5 3 Rounds of competition



6 Eisteddfod Cylch

Dates for the Eisteddfod Cylch will be available via the Urdd website, the School/Branch, or contact your Community Officer.

Preliminary Rounds are held for most individual competitions (if not otherwise indicated by the Community Officer)

What are Preliminary Rounds? This is a round of competition ahead of the Eisteddfod. Because of high number of competitors, 3 will be selected to perform again. This is NOT the result of the competition!

These 3 names will be announced and displayed in a specified area of the Prelim venue, and will re-performed on the stage of the Eisteddfod Cylch.

Depending on your region, the 1st, and perhaps 2nd and 3rd, will go on to the Regional Eisteddfod.

Each individual contestant will be awarded a 'Da iawn' certificate, which will include brief comments about the performance.

The top 3 will receive a Certificate and full adjudication.

7 Eisteddfod Rhanbarth (Regional)

Dates for the Eisteddfod Rhanbarth will be available via the Urdd website, with the School/Branch, or contact your Community Officer. The Eisteddfod is usually held in a local Village Hall, School or Theatre.

A few Regions hold Preliminaries, so follow the same process as the Eisteddfod Cylch.

The winner from each competition is invited to the National Eisteddfod. (if not otherwise stated)

The top 3 will receive a Certificate and full Adjudication.

8 Urdd National Eisteddfod

Need to check the dates of the National Eisteddfod via the Urdd website, check with the School/Branch, or contact your Community Officer. The National Eisteddfod travels the whole of Wales.

If victorious at the Regional Eisteddfod, you are invited to compete at National level, on one of the Festival's main stages.

A specific schedule is created. This schedule is available a few weeks before the Eisteddfod, setting out the date, time and place of the competition.

Following the competition, the result will be announced on the Saddle platform (results platform), where the first 3 will receive their certificates and medals.

A full adjudication is available for all competitors, from the Eisteddfod Office following the result.

Good luck!

