

## Solo Grading-Submitted by the WUSPBA Grading Committee

### Current Wording:

1.9. Grading: It is the intent of WUSPBA that soloists should perform in appropriate grades as reflected by the Performance Rating System (PRS). To encourage musical development and to maintain fairness in our contests the Music Board will review the PRS ratings of the top ten (10) aggregate placings in Grades II, III, and IV at the end of the competition season. Prior to December 1 the Music Board will recommend to the Executive Committee that any competitor who has participated in at least five (5) contests in a season and with at least 60% of adjudicators indicating that said competitor is playing above the level at which he/she is currently playing be moved up to the next level. The EC will decide on the recommendations from the Music Board within fourteen (14) days of receiving these recommendations. If the EC decides that a competitor should move up a grade, that competitor will be notified via e-mail within two (2) days of that decision. If a competitor disagrees with this decision, he/she can appeal this decision to the EC in writing explaining the reasons for the disagreement. The EC will then have fourteen (14) days to review the appeal, render a final decision, and notify the competitor.

### Proposed Wording:

1.9 Grading: The WUSPBA grading committee has the authority to assign WUSPBA soloists to compete in the grade that is appropriate for each individual. The WUSPBA grading committee shall annually review the Competitor Performance Level (CPL) for each registered WUSPBA soloist. The grading committee will submit a list of recommended re-grades for the Executive Committees approval. Soloists wishing to be re-graded must apply to the grading committee. All re-grade applications are due to the WUSPBA Executive Secretary no later than the third Sunday in September. All grading is done by the grading committee, no self- grading is permitted. Any decision may be appealed. All appeals must be submitted in writing, to the Executive Secretary, within three weeks of notification. The EC will then have fourteen (14) days to review the appeal, render a final decision, and notify the competitor.

A friendly amendment adding wording about the appeal process was approved. The amended wording is highlighted in yellow.