

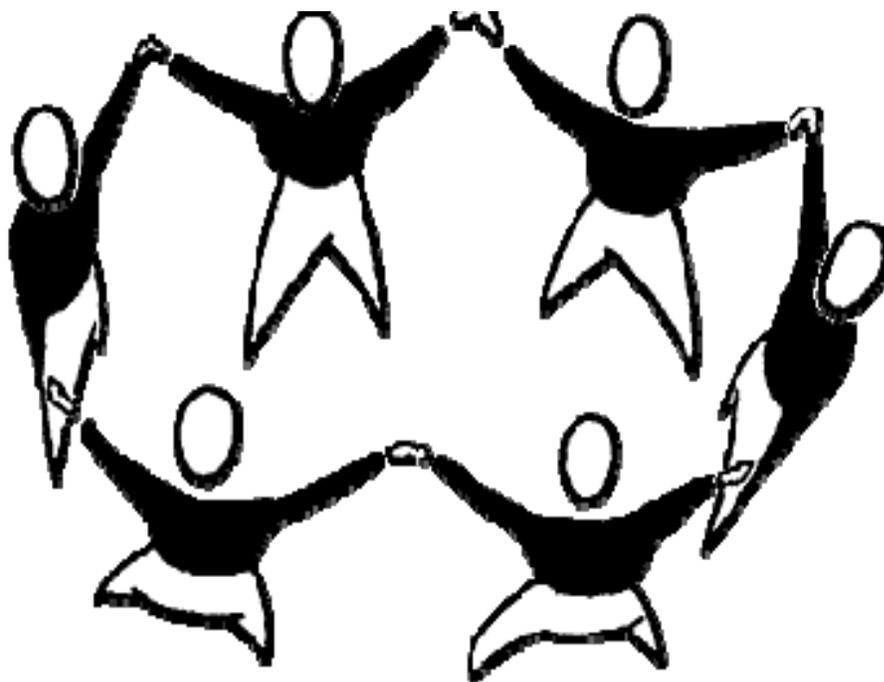
UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA

RESOLUTION

Support for the Emergency Call for Medical Aid (ECMA)

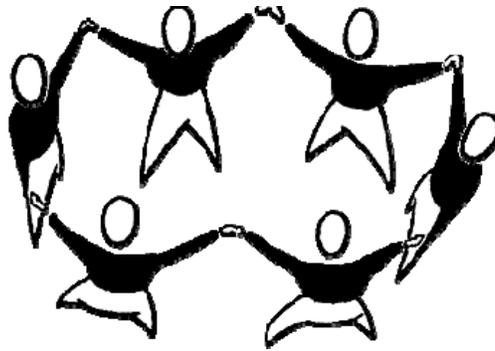
Whereas: All Square Dancers acknowledge the importance and need to care for our fellow dancers who fall or otherwise become injured while dancing; and

Whereas: There is an established criteria for informing all dancers that a fellow dancer has fallen, universally known as the Emergency Call for Medical Aid (ECMA);



Therefore: Be it resolved that the United Square Dancers of America encourages all of its Affiliates and their member groups to communicate and use this established procedure for informing the dance leader(s) of a situation that needs attention by distributing information on this important, potentially lifesaving practice.

*Adopted by Majority Vote of
UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA
Board of Directors present and voting during their
Annual Meeting this Twenty-Second (22nd)
day of June 2016 at Des Moines, Iowa*



Emergency Call for Medical Aid ECMA

1. When a dancer goes down, a second dancer attends to him/her.
2. Remaining six (6) Dancers join hands and take a step backward. This will allow the injured person and attendant air and room.
3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arch.
4. On seeing this signal, the caller or hall monitor will immediately place an emergency call for aid.

Note: If you send for medical help or an ambulance, be sure to put a "spotter" outside the building to help them find the location where they are needed.