## Cathy Ewing and Company, Colorado's Social Dance Specialists

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## **LATIN STEP LISTS AND TIMING**

## **RULES:**

- 1. NOBODY gets hurt (physically or emotionally)
- 2. EVERYBODY has fun.

Please note that the syllabus may change from time to time based upon the needs and interests of the students and the whims of the instructor(s).

Most students need about 3-4 REPEAT CLASSES to become comfortable with the material and to start implementing proper techniques. Repeating classes are not a sign of failure to learn, but a sign of dedication to learning. The step lists are merely an aid to remembering what you are learning in class. Repeat, Repeat, Repeat, your classes—Repeats are FREE.

## Cha Cha

- 1. Side Basic
- 2. Parallel Breaks (outside partner)
- 3. 1/5<sup>th</sup> Position Breaks (with under arm turn)
- 4. Cross-Over (Charge)
- 5. Back Breaks
- 6. Cross Over Charge with walk out to open.
- 7. Cross Body Lead

## Mambo and / or Salsa

- 1. Basic
- 2. Parallel Breaks
- 3. Side Breaks
- 1. La Cucaracha
- 4. Cumbia = 1/5<sup>th</sup> Position Breaks (with under arm turn)
- 5. Cross-Over (Charge)
- 6. Back Breaks
- 7. Cross Over Charge with walk out to open.
- 8. Cross Body Lead

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## **Rumba**

- 1. Box
- 2. Turning Box
- 3. 1/5<sup>th</sup> Position Breaks (with under arm turn)
- 4. Cross Over Charge
- 5. 6-Count Under Arm Turn

## Samba

- 1. Basic "American Casio"
- 2. Box "Brazilian Casio"
- 3. Turning Box
- 4. 1/5<sup>th</sup> Position Breaks (with under arm turn)
- 5. Copa
- 6. Open Copa

## **BEGINNING BALLROOM LATIN** TIMING AND BASICS

Basic Cha Cha Timing Count Called Man Woman	Slow  2 rock b F	Slow 3 & F b	Quick  4 Cha s	Quick  & Cha TG	Slow  5 Cha s S	Slow  6 rock F b	Slow 7 & b F	Quick  8 Cha S s	Quick  & Cha tg TG	Slow  1 Cha S
Mambo Count Man Woman	Quick  2  b  F	Quick  3 F b	Slow — 4,5 f/tg B/TG			Quick  6  F  b	Quick 7 b F	Slow 8,1 B/TG f/tg		
Salsa Count Man Woman	Quick  1 F b	Quick  • 2 b F	Slow 3,4 B/TG f/tg			Quick  5  b  F	Quick  6  F  b	Slow 7,8 f/tg B/TG		
Rumba Count Man Woman	Quick  1 S s (also taug	Quick  2 tg TG ght) s S	Slow  3,4  F  b  TG  tg			Quick  5  S  b  F	Quick  6 TG tg  S s	Slow 7,8 b F tg TG		
Samba Count Man Woman	Quick  1  F  b	Quick  & f B	Slow  2 TG tg		Quick  3 b F	Quick  & B f	Slow 4 tg TG	Repeat >	8	