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USA Taekwondo would like to welcome you to the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships in Orlando, Florida being held January 20-25, 2015 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida.

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SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, 20 January 2015					
9:30am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for Poomsae Competitors ONLY	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B Room N220			
9:30am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for National Teams By Appointment ONLY*	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B Room N220			
10:00am-8:00pm	Open Training	USAT Host Hotels ONLY			
1:30pm-6:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
2:00pm-5:00pm	Credential Pick Up for National Teams By Appointment ONLY*	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
TBD	International Referee Meeting (Poomsae ONLY)	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room TBD			
7:00pm	Technical Meeting for Poomsae, Youth, Cadet & Ultra Coaches, Managers & Team Leaders	TBD			
All Poomsae competitors must be checked-in by 6:00pm					

*National Teams will be able to pick-up their credentials during all registration times, but will also have the option to make an appointment to register their team during a scheduled time.

Wednesday, 21 January 2015					
Competition for All Poomsae Competitors					
7:00am	Doors Open for Poomsae Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
7:30am	Poomsae Competitor MUST be in Holding Area (Divisions TBD) Doors Open for Spectators	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
8:00am	Competition Begins	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
9:00am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Thursday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
8:00am-8:00pm	Open Training	USAT Host Hotels			
TBD	Lunch				
1:30pm	Competition Resumes	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
2:00pm-6:00pm Weigh-In for Thursday Sparring Competitors		Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
TBD	International Referee Meeting (Sparring ONLY)	TBD			
All Youth (10-11), Cadet (12-14), Ultra 33+ and Para Sparring Competitors MUST be checked-in and weighed-in by 6:00pm					



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Thursday, 22 January 2015						
Competition for Youth (10-11), Cadet (12-14), Ultra 33+ & Para Sparring Competitors						
7:00am	Doors Open for Sparring Competitors (Match Numbers TBDOrange County Convention North Concourse Hall B					
7:30am	Matches (TBD) Sparring Competitor MUST be in Holding Area Doors Open for Spectators	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
8:00am	Competition Begins	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
9:00am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Friday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220				
8:00am-8:00pm	Open Training	USAT Host Hotels				
TBD	Lunch					
1:30pm	Competition Resumes	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
2:00pm-6:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Friday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220				
7:00pm	Technical Meeting for Senior Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room TBD				
All Friday Senior Sparring Competitors MUST be weighed-in by 6:00pm						

Friday, 23 January 2015					
Competition for 17-32 Senior Sparring Competitors Male: Light, Welter, Middle and Heavy					
	Female: Fin, Fly, Bantam and Feather	•			
7:00am	Doors Open for Sparring Competitors (Match Numbers TBD)	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
7:30am	Matches (TBD) Sparring Competitor MUST be in Holding Area Doors Open for Spectators	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B			
8:00am	Competition Begins for event	Orange County Convention Cente North Concourse Hall B			
9:00am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Saturday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
8:00am-8:00pm	Open Training	USAT Host Hotels			
TBD	Lunch				
1:30pm	Competition Resumes Orange County Convention				
2:00pm-6:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Saturday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220			
All Friday Senior Sparring Competitors MUST be weighed-in by 6:00pm					

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Saturday, 24 January 2015						
Competition for 17-32 Senior Sparring Competitors						
	Male: Fin, Fly, Bantam and Feather					
	Female: Light, Welter, Middle and Hea	vy				
7:00am	Doors Open for Sparring Competitors (Match Numbers TBD)Orange County Convention North Concourse Hall B					
7:30am	Matches (TBD Sparring Competitor MUST be in Holding Area (Match Numbers TBD) Doors Open for Spectators	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
8:00am	Competition Begins	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
9:00am-12:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Sunday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220				
8:00am-8:00pm	Open Training	USAT Host Hotels				
TBD	Lunch					
1:30pm	Competition Resumes Orange County Convention North Concourse Hall B					
2:00pm-6:00pm	Credential Pick Up for ALL Competitors Weigh-In for Sunday Sparring Competitors	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Room N220				
All Friday Junior (15-17) Sparring Competitors MUST be weighed-in by 6:00pm						

Sunday, 25 January 2015						
	Competition for Junior (15-17) Sparring Competitors					
7:00am	Doors Open for Sparring Competitors (Match Numbers TBD)	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
7:30am	Matches (TBD) Sparring Competitor MUST be in Holding Area Doors Open for Spectators	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
8:00am	Competition Begins	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				
TBD	Lunch					
1:30pm	Competition Resumes	Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B				

Detailed report times will be published prior to the start of the competition to the USA Taekwondo website (<u>www.usa-taekwondo.us</u>). Match numbering will be used for all sparring divisions. Sparring brackets will be posted to the USA Taekwondo website the evening before the competition after the close of weigh-in. Daedo Hit Levels and designated poomsae will be posted 1 week prior to the start of the competition.

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2015 MAJOR CHANGES:

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For the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships; USA Taekwondo will be adding 10-11 (Youth) Sparring and 33+ (Ultras) sparring to the schedule. The 10-11 (Youth) sparring division will use USA Taekwondo Junior Safety rules. To view these rules please go to the following link: <u>http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Taekwondo/Resources/Referee-Information</u>. The 33+ (Ultra) sparring age divisions will be broken by the following (Black Belts ONLY): 33 to 45 and 46+. Age category is determined by the age as of December 31, 2015.

All current WTF rules will be used at this event.

If an athlete wants to change weight at the time registration he/she may do so for a fee of \$50.00. There is no fee to change weight if you change your weight prior to the final registration deadline. Athletes must change their weight prior to stepping on the **OFFICIAL** scale.

REGISTRATION & QUALIFICATION REQUIRMENTS:

All registration must take place on the USA Taekwondo Hang-A-Star system. Please visit <u>www.usa-taekwondo.us</u> to register. Please have your USA Taekwondo membership number available to register. USA Taekwondo has a NO REFUND policy. <u>NO REFUNDS</u> will be given for any reason. Registration Deadlines ends at 11:59pm (Mountain Time).

Qualifications:

In accordance with the Article 4 of the WTF Competition Rules: The contestant must be:

- Holder of a kukkiwon poom or Dan certificate. A copy of the black belt certificate should be enclosed when registering for the accreditation. In a case a contestant has applied for a kukkiwon Dan Certificate but has not received it yet, a copy of the Dan Application form and the remittance certificate sent to kukkiwon must be enclosed when registering for accreditation. Please refer to the kukkiwon website (wwwkukkiwon.or.kr) for more information
- All athletes, coaches and team officials MUST have a Global Athlete License and/or Global Official License to compete in this the U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships. For details on obtaining your Global License. Go to: <u>http://www.teamusa.org/usa-taekwondo/membership/gal-application</u>. Non-US participants must go through their Member National Association (MNA).

Note: USA Taekwondo uses the date of December 31 of the given year (December 31, 2015) to determine the age of all competitors. Example: If an athletes turns 14 on October 26, 2015 they would compete as a 14 year old in the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships, even though they are 13 years old at the time of the event.

Registration Requirements:

- Athletes and coaches must pay IN FULL by the early and/or late registration deadline to receive the registration fee at that rate.
- Athletes, coaches and/or officials outside of the United States, please see the International registration packets for details on registration. Information for each country's National Team is also available in this packet.
- All U.S. Coaches and Officials must complete and clear a background check prior to registering for the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships. This is part of the Safe Sport – Background initiative that is mandatory for all United States Olympic Committee National Governing Bodies. This background check is required for all people that are in supervisory positions with our Taekwondo athletes. For more information on Safe Sport initiative please visit the USA Taekwondo website. <u>http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Taekwondo/Resources/Safe-Sport</u>

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Credential Pick Up and weigh-in procedures:

- All participants must pick up <u>their own</u> credential for this event. You must present an ID at the time of registration. This ID must be either an official State issued ID, Passport or Global License as long as the photo on the Global Athlete License is a current photo.
- All sparring competitors must also present an official State issued ID, passport or Global License at the time of weigh-in.
- Lost credentials are subject to \$15 reprint fee. U.S. Open staff reserves the right to conduct random and periodic ID checks during competition.
- Any participate found on the competition floor without a credential will be asked to leave the competition floor and may be removed for the competition completely if found violating any of the USA Taekwondo policy, procedures or code of conduct.

Weigh-Ins

• If an athlete wants to change weight at the time registration he/she may do so for a fee of \$50.00. There is no fee to change weight if you change your weight prior to the final registration deadline. Athletes must change their weight prior to stepping on the official scale.

Important Notes:

- For specific help regarding the USA Taekwondo Hang-a-star online registration system, refer to the Event FAQ (<u>http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Taekwondo/Events/Events-FAQ</u>)
- All participants (athletes, coaches and team officials) are subject to and must obey ALL rules, regulations and policies of the USA Taekwondo and the World Taekwondo Federation herein or otherwise written.
- All participants must provide their own red and blue head gear. (10-11 Youth competitors may use white) with no markings other than corporate logos. Cracks or defects in the headgear will not be allowed.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES & FEES:

ATHLETES									
Division (Sparring/Poomsae)	Early Registration	Early Fee Deadline					Final Deadline		
1 st Division	\$125.00		December 2	9, 2014	\$1	75.00	January 6, 2015		
2 nd Division	\$140.00		December 2	9, 2014	\$1	90.00	Jai	nuary 6, 2015	
3 rd Division	\$190.00		December 2	9, 2014	\$2	40.00	January 6, 2015		
4 th Division	\$240.00		December 29, 2014		\$290.00		January 6, 2015		
5 th Division	\$290.00		December 29, 2014		\$340.00		Jai	January 6, 2015	
COACHES									
USAT Coach Level	Early Registration Fee	D	Early eadline		nal ation Fee	Final Deadlin	ie	On-Site Fee*	
None or AC	\$65.00	December 29, 2014		\$11	.5.00	January 6, 2015		\$165.00	
Level 1 or higher	\$50.00	December 29, 2014 \$10		00.00	January 6, 2015 \$165		\$165.00		
*US Coaches must have completed and cleared a background check and have WTF Global License to register on-site for this event.									

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Sparring: Single Elimination tournament with seeding system will be applied; the seeding will be as follows:

- WTF World Rankings
- Random computer draw

Poomsae: The WTF Cut off competition system will be used.

Contestants shall perform one (1) assigned compulsory Poomsae in the preliminary and semi-final rounds and two (2) assigned compulsory Poomsae in the final round. All contestants will compete in the preliminary round. The highest 50% scores from the preliminary round will advance to the semifinals. At the end of the semi-final round the highest eight (8) scoring contestants will advance to the final round. The highest score in four (4) contestants will be awarded medals (1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} , 3^{rd}) based on scores

- Divisions with fewer than 20 contestants will start with the semi-final round.
- Divisions with fewer than 9 contestants will start with the final round.

Competition Rules:

Sparring: Cadet (12-14), Junior (15-17), Senior (17-32) and Ultras (33+) competitors will use current WTF competition rules. To download the WTF competition Rules go to: <u>http://www.worldtaekwondofederation.net/rules-and-documents</u>. Youth (10-11) competitors will use USA Taekwondo Junior Safety rules. To download these rules go to: <u>http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Taekwondo/Resources/Referee-Information</u>

Poomsae: Divisions for ages 12 and older will use current WTF poomsae rules. To download the rules go to: <u>http://www.worldtaekwondofederation.net/rules-and-documents</u>. Division for Youth (10-11) competitors will use USA Taekwondo poomsae rules. To download these rules go to: <u>http://www.teamusa.org/USA-</u> <u>Taekwondo/Resources/Referee-Information</u>

Participants, coaches, team officials are subject to and must obey ALL rules, regulations and policies of the WTF and USA Taekwondo herein or otherwise written.

Dobok & Equipment Standards

Uniform for contestants: Official Uniform (Dobok) http://www.worldtaekwondofederation.net/recognized

Sparring: Contestants must wear a white Taekwondo V-neck WTF approved uniform (Dobok) in good condition. Black belts must wear black-collared uniforms. Patches, embroidery, logos, team names, country names, athlete names and stripes are permitted on the uniform; They can be up to 12" x 4" on each extremity (leg or arm) for a total of 4 (four). Logos or names on the back of the uniform and patches on the chest are of the uniform are also allowed.

Poomsae: Contestants must wear WTF designated Y-neck competition poomsae uniform as outlined in the WTF Notice from April 4, 2012. Contestants must comply with WTF guidelines concerning uniforms designated by rank. WTF Y-neck uniforms may have a national flag patch and country code displayed on the uniform consistent with WTF guidelines.

*NO TAPE WILL BE ALLOWED ON ANY PART OF THE UNIFORM

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Contestants shall wear an approved trunk protector, headgear (white, or red for Hong and blue for Chung), groin guard, gloves (see below), forearm protector, shin protectors, sensing socks and a mouth guard before entering the contest area. The head protector must be firmly tucked under the left arm when entering the competition area, and shall be put on the head following instructions of the referee before the start of the contest. The groin, forearm, and shin-instep protectors must be worn inside the Taekwondo uniform. Wearing of any other items on the head other than head protector shall not be permitted. A previously approved religious item shall be worn beneath the head protector and inside the Dobok and shall not cause harm or obstruct the opposing contestant.

• Personal Requirements

All competitors shall keep their nails cut short and shall not wear any articles that may injure or endanger an opponent. Any competitor whose hair, in the opinion of the referee, is so long as to risk causing inconvenience to other competitors shall be required to tie it back securely.

a. Metallic Articles

Contestants are not allowed to wear any kind of metallic articles or hard objects, such as rings, eyeglasses (including prescribed safety eyeglasses or eye goggles), necklaces, watches, bracelets, earrings, etc.

b. Personal Hygiene

All competitors must maintain the highest standard of personal hygiene, keep their nails cut short, and groom their hair neatly.

Any violators of Sections A & B above will be required to correct the violation within one minute, or face disqualification.

c. Tape

A maximum of two (2) layers of tape are allowed, except in the case of an injury. For an injury, the minimum amount of tape that will protect the area should be used. If there is a question, the referee should have the wrapping examined and approved by the Tournament Medical Staff. Under no circumstances will a hard splint or cast—no matter how small—be allowed.

Equipment Standards

<u>Gloves</u> – Cadet (12-14), Junior (15-17 year old) and Senior (17+) Black belts are required to wear taekwondo gloves. Gloves may be red, blue, or white. If the competitor chooses to wear red or blue gloves, they must correspond with the chest protector. For all other divisions, gloves are optional and must comply with the above rule.

<u>Mouth Guard</u> – All athletes are REQUIRED to use a mouth guard. A mouth cover may be used for those with braces if an orthodontist's note is provided prior to the beginning of competition. ALL divisions are required by WTF to use only white or transparent mouth guards.

<u>Properly fitting Headgear</u> – All Cadet, Junior and Senior participants must provide their own red and blue headgear with no markings other than corporate logos. Cracks or defects in the headgear will not be allowed. Youth and Ultra participants may wear red, blue or white headgear with no markings other than corporate logos.

<u>Protective Cup</u> – All male athletes are REQUIRED to wear a protective cup inside the pants during competition. All female athletes are REQUIRED to wear a protective cup as well. This is because of the WTF sanction and rules. <u>Shin protection</u> – Shin protectors are REQUIRED and they must be made of foam, cloth or vinyl products.

<u>Forearm guard</u> – Forearm guards are REQUIRED and it is mandatory that athletes get foam, cloth, or vinyl products. *Please Note: USA Taekwondo reserves the right to disallow any uniform or equipment if it is found to be offensive or degrading in any fashion.* **The 2014 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships will follow the WTF equipment** *guidelines for all Cadet, Junior and Senior divisions.*

To view a complete list of approved WTF equipment please use the following link. http://www.wtf.org/wtf_eng/site/about_wtf/recognized.html

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<u> Sparring Divisions – Weight Categories</u>

All Divisions are Black Belts ONLY. Note: Not Exceeding means the weight limit is defined by the criterion of one decimal place away from the stated limit. For Example, not exceeding 50kg is established as until 50.0 kg with 50.1kg being over the limit resulting in disqualification.

SENIOR (17-32) SPARRING 3 ROUNDS, 2MINUTES					
CLASSIFICATION	MALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (KG)	FEMALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (kg)			
FIN	Not Exceeding 54kg	Not Exceeding 46kg			
FLY	Over 54kg & Not Exceeding 58kg	Over 46kg & Not Exceeding 49kg			
BANTAM	Over 58kg & Not Exceeding 63kg	Over 49kg & Not Exceeding 53kg			
FEATHER	Over 63kg & Not Exceeding 68kg	Over 53kg & Not Exceeding 57kg			
LIGHT	Over 68kg & Not Exceeding 74kg	Over 57kg & Not Exceeding 62kg			
WELTER	Over 74kg & Not Exceeding 80kg	Over 62kg & Not Exceeding 67kg			
MIDDLE	Over 80kg & Not Exceeding 87kg	Over 67kg & Not Exceeding 73kg			
HEAVY	Over 87kg	Over 73kg			

	JUNIOR (15-17) SPARRING 3 ROUNDS, 1 MINUTE 30 SECONDS	
CLASSIFICATION	MALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (KG)	FEMALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (kg)
FIN	Not Exceeding 45kg	Not Exceeding 42kg
FLY	Over 45kg & Not Exceeding 48kg	Over 42kg & Not Exceeding 44kg
BANTAM	Over 48kg & Not Exceeding 51kg	Over 44kg & Not Exceeding 46kg
FEATHER	Over 51kg & Not Exceeding 55kg	Over 46kg & Not Exceeding 49kg
LIGHT	Over 55kg & Not Exceeding 59kg	Over 49kg & Not Exceeding 52kg
WELTER	Over 59kg & Not Exceeding 63kg	Over 52kg & Not Exceeding 55kg
LIGHT MIDDLE	Over 63kg & Not Exceeding 68kg	Over 55kg & Not Exceeding 59kg
MIDDLE	Over 68kg & Not Exceeding 73kg	Over 59kg & Not Exceeding 63kg
LIGHT HEAVY	Over 73kg & Not Exceeding 78kg	Over 63kg & Not Exceeding 68kg
HEAVY	Over 78kg	Over 68kg

ULTRA (33+) SPARRING - (Age Division: 33 to 45 and 46+.) 3 ROUNDS, 1 MINUTE

CLASSIFICATION	MALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (KG)	FEMALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (kg)	
Fly	Not Exceeding 58kg	Not Exceeding 49kg	
Light	Over 58kg & Not Exceeding 68kg	Over 49kg & Not Exceeding 57kg	
Middle	Over 68kg & Not Exceeding 80kg	Over 57kg & Not Exceeding 67kg	
Неаvy	Over 80kg	Over 67kg	

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CADET (12-14) SPARRING 3 ROUNDS, 1 MINUTE					
CLASSIFICATION	MALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (KG)	FEMALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (kg)			
FIN	Not Exceeding 33kg	Not Exceeding 29kg			
FLY	Over 33kg & Not Exceeding 37kg	Over 29kg & Not Exceeding 33kg			
BANTAM	Over 37kg & Not Exceeding 41kg	Over 33kg & Not Exceeding 37kg			
FEATHER	Over 41kg & Not Exceeding 45kg	Over 37kg & Not Exceeding 41kg			
LIGHT	Over 45kg & Not Exceeding 49kg	Over 41kg & Not Exceeding 44kg			
WELTER	Over 49kg & Not Exceeding 53kg	Over 44kg & Not Exceeding 47kg			
LIGHT MIDDLE	Over 53kg & Not Exceeding 57kg	Over 47kg & Not Exceeding 51kg			
MIDDLE	Over 57kg & Not Exceeding 61kg	Over 51kg & Not Exceeding 55kg			
LIGHT HEAVY	Over 61kg & Not Exceeding 65kg	Over 55kg & Not Exceeding 59kg			
HEAVY	Over 65kg	Over 59kg			

YOUTH SPARRING (10-11) SPARRING 3 ROUNDS, 1 MINUTE					
CLASSIFICATION MALE DIVISIONS FEMALE DIVISIONS WEIGHT CATEGORY (KG) WEIGHT CATEGORY (kg)					
Fin	Not Exceeding 30kg	Not Exceeding 30kg			
Light	Over 30kg & Not Exceeding 35kg	Over 30kg & Not Exceeding 35kg			
Middle	Over 35kg & Not Exceeding 40kg	Over 35kg & Not Exceeding 40kg			
Неаvy	Over 40kg	Over 40kg			

Weigh-Ins

- During the weigh-in, the contestant is required to show his/her current photo ID, USAT identification card or birth certificate.
- A competitor's weight shall be measured the day prior to his/her competition day. All competitors must weigh-in during the designated times on the schedule
- A competitor's weight may be measured twice. If a contestant does not qualify the first time, one more official weigh-in is granted within the time limit. So as not to be disqualified during official weigh-in, a scale, the same as the official one, shall be provided at the convention center as a test scale.
- Any irregular action by the competitor or coach during the weigh-in may result in disqualification from event participation.
- Weigh in, for both males and females shall be taken in the official V-neck uniform, or, if a contestant wishes, weighin may be done in underpants for male and underpants and bra for female contestants. *Under NO circumstances may an athlete weigh-in in the nude in the United States.*

Competitors will be permitted to move weight categories from the weight category they registered in. You may change weight categories through the final athlete registration deadline at no additional fee. Any weight changes after the final registration deadline and/or at the event will incur a \$50.00 administrative fee. Participants may make changes directly through their registration in the USA Taekwondo Hang-a-star until they are confirmed and then you will need to contact the USA Taekwondo events department in writing at <u>events@usa-taekwondo.us</u> to change the weight. After the final registration date (January 6, 2015), all weight changes must be submitted in writing and the administrative fee paid before the weight category will be changed. Competitors may change weight on-site but must do so before stepping on the official weigh-in scale and must pay the \$50.00 administrative fee before weight category is changed.

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Sparring competition will be a single elimination event with a seeding system being applied to Senior (17-32) Sparring Competitors.

Seeding System:

- WTF World Rankings
- Computer Random Draw

<u> Poomsae Divisions – Age Categories</u>

INDIVIDUAL POOMSAE

AGE CLASSIFICATION	AGE DIVISIONS	RANK	COMPETITION TYPE
Youth	10-11 Years Old	1 st - 9 th	Modified WTF Format
Cadet	12-14 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
Junior	15-17 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
1 st Senior	18-30 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
2 nd Senior	31-40 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
1 st Masters	41-50 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
2 nd Maters	51-60 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
3 rd Masters	61-65 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
4 th Masters	66 & Older	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format

PAIRS POOMSAE (Co-Ed)

AGE CLASSIFICATION	AGE DIVISIONS	RANK	COMPETITION TYPE
Youth	10-11 Years Old	1 st - 9 th	Modified WTF Format
Cadet	12-14 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
Junior	15-17 Years Old	1 st - 9 th	WTF Format
1 st Pairs	18-30 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
2 nd Pairs	31 & Older	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format

TEAM POOMSAE (3 Competitors of the Same Gender)			
AGE CLASSIFICATION	AGE DIVISIONS	RANK	GENDER
Cadet	12-14 Years Old	1 st - 9 th	WTF Format
Junior	15-17 Years Old	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format
1 st Team	18-30 Years Old	1 st - 9 th	WTF Format
2 nd Team	31 & Older	$1^{st} - 9^{th}$	WTF Format

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IMPORTANT: Designated Poomsae will be selected from the Compulsory Poomsae listed below and be published to the USA Taekwondo website 1 week from the start of the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships.

DESIGNATED POOMSAE		
INDIVIDUAL DIVISIONS	COMPULSORY POOMSAE	
Youth (10-11)	Taegeuk 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo	
Cadet (12-14)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang	
Juniors (15-17)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, , Taebaek	
1 st Senior (18-30)	Taggouk 6, 7, 8 Jang Konya Kaumgang Taghagk Duangwan Chiniin	
2 nd Senior (31-40)	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin	
1 st Masters (41-50)	Taasauk 9 Jang Karup Kaumgang Taabaak Duanguan Shiniin Jitaa Chankau	
2 nd Masters (51-60)	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkown	
3 rd Masters (61-65)	Kana Kaumgang Tashaak Duanguan Shiniin Jitas Charlesur Hansu	
4 th Maters (66 & Older)	Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkown, Hansu	
PAIRS DIVISIONS (CO-ED)	COMPULSORY POOMSAE	
Youth (10-11)	Taegeuk 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo	
Cadets (12-14)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang	
Juniors (15-17)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang , Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek	
1 st Pairs (18-30)	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Ke umgang, Teaback, Pyongwon, Shipjin	
2 nd Pairs (31+)	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Kor yo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Ship jin, Jitae,	
	Chonkwon	
TEAMS DIVISIONS	COMPULSORY POOMSAE	
Youth (10-11)	Taegeuk 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang	
Cadets (12-14)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang	
Juniors (15-17)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek	
1 st Team (18-30)	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin	
2 nd Team (31+)	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek,	

Coaching Requirements:

To coach at the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships all coaches must be in good standing with their National Federation or Governing Body, a current member of USA Taekwondo and register for the event prior to the registration deadlines. The registration deadlines and fees will be strictly enforced and no exceptions will be made. Please refer to Registration Fees and deadlines section of this packet.

All U.S. Coaches and officials must have completed and cleared a background check before registering for 2015 U.S Open Taekwondo Championships. On-site registration is permitted, but only if you have completed and clear the USA Taekwondo Safe Sport background check. For more information on Safe Sport and USA Taekwondo background checks, please go to the USA Taekwondo website.

As of 2014 all athletes, coaches and officials must have WTF Global License to participate in any WTF/PATU sanctioned event. Starting in 2014 all participants will need to complete their WTF Global License through the WTF Global Membership System and provide all required documents before you can be confirmed for the event and participate in the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships. There is no exception to this rule. U.S. Participants must be a current member of USA Taekwondo before your Global License is approved. Additionally, all coaches and officials must have completed and cleared their background check. For details on how apply for or renew your Global License please click on the following link: http://www.teamusa.org/usa-taekwondo/membership/gal-application

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Training Opportunities:

Training locations for will ONLY be provided at the host hotels. Location and times will be available soon.

<u>Awards:</u>

2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships medals will be given out to the top four (4) athletes, in the respective divisions and weight Categories. 1st Place - Gold Medal, 2nd Place - Silver Medal, & two (2) 3rd Place - Bronze medals in all sparring and poomsae divisions.

Team awards will be given out to the top four (4) teams in each of the Men's and Women's Senior Sparring Classifications, based on the point system below:

Rationale	Points Awarded
Gold Medal	7 Points
Silver Medal	3 Points
Bronze Medal	1 Point

Awards will also be given to the Best Male and Best Female athlete in the Senior Sparring Division, Best Male and Female International Referees and Best Male and Female Team Coach. These awards will be determine and awarded after the conclusion of the final day of the Senior Sparring Divisions.

Hotel, Flight & Transportation:

<u>Hotel Reservation</u>: All participants may book their hotel reservation through USA Taekwondo Hotel Housing Company – GroupHousing. Reservation can be made directly by clicking the link below. This is the only way to receive USA Taekwondo discounts at the contracted hotels. Additionally training areas will only be provided at the host hotels as well as transportation to and from the airport and to and from the Orange County Convention Center if you stay at USA Taekwondo host hotels. <u>http://grouphousingadmin.com/showevent.asp?id=672</u>

Information about airfare, rental car and shuttle discounts will be available soon.

<u>Spectator Tickets:</u>

Admission to the 2015 U.S. Open Taekwondo Championships is by credential or ticket only. Advanced tickets can be purchased online through January 14, 2015. To purchase tickets in advance click the link below. http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/906814

Wrist bands will be given in exchange for tickets at the Orange County Convention Center North Concourse Hall B. Wrist bands must be worn at all times and are good for the day allotted on your ticket. **No refunds or exchanges**. Lost, stolen or forgotten tickets will NOT be replaced or refunded.

TICKET PRICING			
Event Ticket	In Advance (Online ONLY)	At-Door	
Adult All-Event (18+)	\$30.00	Not Available	
Adult Single Day (18+)	\$10.00	\$15.00	
Children Single Day (6-17)	\$6.00	\$10.00	
Children 5 & Under	Free	Free	