

INVITATION

6th Australian Taekwondo Open (G2) 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships (G4/G2)

April, 2015

Presidents and Secretaries General
WTF Member National Associations (MNAs)

Message from the President of Sports Taekwondo Australia

Dear Friends,

It is my great pleasure to extend this invitation to your members to attend the 6th Australian Taekwondo Open (G2) and also the 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships (G4/G2) to be held in Melbourne, Australia. 26 - 28 June, 2015 at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC).

This championships will provide athletes with the foundation to build upon their future for the 2016 Rio and 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

The Oceania Taekwondo Union (OTU) and Sports Taekwondo Australia (STA) extends its appreciation to the organising committee Sports Taekwondo Victoria (STV) in organising these important events and we look forward to seeing you all in Melbourne, Australia in June 2015.

Kindest Regards



John Kotsifas
President

Sports Taekwondo Australia

6th Australian Taekwondo Open (G2) 1st OTU Para Taekwondo Championships (G4/G2) June 26-28, 2015

1. **Sanctioned by:** The World Taekwondo Federation (WTF)

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WEB-SITE:	http://www.wtf.org

2. **Organized / Hosted by:** Sports Taekwondo Australia (STA) & Sports Taekwondo Victoria (STV)

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WEB-SITE:	www.sta.asn.au

3. **Venue:** Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre
1 Aughtie Dr, Albert Park
Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
4. **Qualification:**
 - 1) Holder of the nationality of the participating team
 - 2) Recommended by your Member National Association (MNA) with WTF
 - 3) Kukkiwon 1st Poom / Dan
 - 4) WTF Global Athlete Licence (GAL)

(AUS Open)

 - 1) Holder of the nationality of the participating team
 - 2) Recommended by your Member National Association (MNA) with WTF
 - 3) Holder of 3-1 Gup recognized by WTF MNA or Dan/Poom recognized by Kukkiwon or WTF (* A copy of the Gup/Dan certificate should be enclosed when registering for accreditation. In 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 the Kukkiwon must be enclosed when registering for accreditation. Please refer to the Kukkiwon Web site (www.kukkiwon.or.kr) for more information.)
 - 4) WTF Global Athlete Licence (GAL) See your MNA.
 - 5) An athlete must be at the age of at least 16 years old of the 1st Para-Taekwondo Championships. Athlete must be born **before December 31st, 1999**.
 - 6) Athlete must go through classification and be assigned Sport Class and Sport Class Status before the competition. Classification of kyorugi athletes will be on June 26, 2015.

(Oceania Para)
5. **Method of Competition:** WTF Rules effective January 1, 2015.
WTF Para Taekwondo and Deaf Taekwondo Classification Rules, 16 January 2015

6. WTF GLOBAL LICENCE & ONLINE REGISTRATION0789

WTF Global Licence Registration

- i. All Athletes and Team officials must FIRST be registered with a WTF Global Athlete Licence (GAL) or Global Official Licence (GOL).

WTF Online Registration

- ii. **Individual & Team** Entry will only be accepted through the [WTF registration system](#) and registration is only possible with a **valid** WTF Global Licence. National Team GMS administrators will be notified via email once online registration is open.



7. ENTRY FEES

- **AUD \$150 per athlete registration**
- **AUD \$50 for each additional event.**

All entry fees from individual athletes and for participating national teams will be paid by credit card through the online registration system.

Fees:

i) DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEES:

A discount will be given to all participants that complete their registration during this period.

- AUD\$ 120 per athlete
- Discounted entry fee period will begin on 22nd April 2015.
- Discounted entry fee period will end on 30th April 2015.

ii) REGULAR ENTRY FEES:

The participants completing their registration during this period will be charged the regular registration fee.

- AUD\$ 150 per athlete.
- Regular entry fee period will begin on 1st May 2015.
- Regular entry fee period will end on 31st May 2015.

**** At the close of regular registration of May 31st, if the Organizing Committee decides to implement an extension of the Registration Period, the following late registration dates and fees will apply ****

iii) LATE REGISTRATION FEES:

In the case that a late registration period is required the participants completing their registration during this period will be charged this fee.

- AUD\$195 per athlete.
- Late registration fee period can begin on 1st June 2015.
- Late registration period will end (if implemented) on 7th June 2015.
- **LATE REGISTRATION PERIOD ONLY APPLIES IF THE OC DECIDES TO IMPLEMENT.**

8. ENTRY DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- i. Entry deadline is **May 31st 2015**. Entry submission after this date will be not accepted under any circumstances. Late replacement due to injury shall be handled case by case.
- ii. The registered athletes or team officials may be replaced **without any penalty** until **May 31st, 2015**.
- iii. Entry fee of AUD\$150 per athlete will not be charged in case of cancellation of participation until May 31st, 2015.
- iv. Entry fee must be paid in case of the cancellation of participating athletes after May 31st 2015 or no-show.

AUD \$100 will be charged per team official in case of onsite registration without prior entry submission until May 1st, 2015.

Any changes or additions that are made to a registration after 31st May 2015 will be charged a \$100 AUD penalty in addition to the registration fees. This penalty will be considered the onsite fee for approved additions or changes to the national team list.

9. Tentative Schedule:

Wed, 24th June, 2015	=	AUS Open & Oceania Para Competition - Registration
Thurs, 25th June, 2015	=	AUS Open & Oceania Para Competition - Registration
	=	General Assembly & Heads of Team Meeting
Fri, 26th June, 2015	=	AUS Open Poomsae Competition – All Divisions
	=	AUS Open Senior Sparring Competition (G2)
		(Male-54, -72, 87+) & (Female-46, -62, 73+)
Sat, 27th June, 2015	=	AUS Open Senior Sparring Competition (G2)
		(Male-58, -63, -68, -80, -87) & (Female-49, -53, -57, -67, -73)

Sun, 28th June, 2015

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AUS Open - Cadet / Junior Sparring Competitions
Oceania Para Sparring Competition (G4/G2)

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10. Sparring Divisions: (17+ athletes can ONLY enter either Junior or Open Division)

10a. Cadet (12-14) weight division including both male and female divisions

Male division

Under 33 kg
 Under 37 kg
 Under 41 kg
 Under 45 kg
 Under 49 kg
 Under 53 kg
 Under 57 kg
 Under 61 kg
 Under 65 kg
Over 65 kg

Female Divisions

Under 29 kg
 Under 33 kg
 Under 37 kg
 Under 41 kg
 Under 44 kg
 Under 47 kg
 Under 51 kg
 Under 55 kg
 Under 59 kg
Over 59 kg

10b. Junior (15 -17) weight divisions including both male and female divisions

Male division

Under 45 kg
 Under 48 kg
 Under 51 kg
 Under 55 kg
 Under 59 kg
 Under 63 kg
 Under 68 kg
 Under 73 kg
 Under 78 kg
Over 78 kg

Female Divisions

Under 42 kg
 Under 44 kg
 Under 46 kg
 Under 49 kg
 Under 52 kg
 Under 55 kg
 Under 59 kg
 Under 63 kg
 Under 68 kg
Over 68 kg

WTF Ranking Points (G2) for Open Sparring Divisions ONLY

10c. Open (17+) weight divisions including both male and female divisions

Male division

Under 54 kg
 Under 58 kg
 Under 63 kg
 Under 68 kg
 Under 74 kg
 Under 80 kg
 Under 87 kg
Over 87 kg

Female division

Under 46 kg
 Under 49 kg
 Under 53 kg
 Under 57 kg
 Under 62 kg
 Under 67 kg
 Under 73 kg
Over 73 kg

11. Poomsae Divisions:

Individual Poomsae – Male / Female							
Age Division	Cadet 12-14 yrs	Junior 15-17 yrs	Senior 18-30 yrs	Senior 31-40 yrs	Senior 41-50 yrs	Senior 51-60 yrs	60-65 & Over 65
Pair Poomsae – Mixed Gender							
Age Division	Cadet 12-14 yrs		Junior 15-17 yrs	Senior 18-30 yrs		Senior Over 30 yrs	
Team Poomsae – Same Gender							
Age Division	Cadet 12-14 yrs		Junior 15-17 yrs	Senior 18-30 yrs		Senior Over 30 yrs	

FREESTYLE WITH MUSIC		
Individual – Male and Female		
Age Division	12 -17 yrs	18 yrs +
Pair Poomsae – Mixed Gender		
Age Division	12 -17 yrs	18 yrs +
Team Poomsae – At least 2 male, 2 female +1		
Age Division	12 yrs +	

12. Para-Taekwondo:

1st Oceania Para Taekwondo Championships G4/G2

13. Qualifications:

In accordance with Article 4: Qualification of Contestant and Article 22: Para-Taekwondo of the WTF Competition Rules, the contestant must be:

Criterion 1: Holder of the nationality of the participating team

Criterion 2: An athlete must be nominated by the pertinent national taekwondo association that is recognized by the OTU/OPTU and/or National Olympic Committee and/or National Paralympic Committee

Criterion 3: Holder of 3-1 Gup recognized by WTF MNA or Dan/Poom recognized by Kukkiwon or WTF (* A copy of the Gup/Dan certificate should be enclosed when registering for accreditation. In 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 the Kukkiwon must be enclosed when registering for accreditation. Please refer to the Kukkiwon Web site (www.kukkiwon.or.kr) for more information.)

NOTICE: The 1st Oceania Para Taekwondo Championships will be open to participation from all WTF MNAs. G4 World Ranking points will be awarded to OTU/OPTU athletes while athletes from other continents will be awarded G2 World Ranking points.

Criterion 4: Holder of valid WTF Global Athlete Licence (GAL). Any questions on the WTF GAL application please contact Mr. Kabir Kar the WTF Global Licence Administration Manager at gmsadmin@wtf.org

Criterion 5: An athlete must be at the age of at least 16 years old at the 1st Oceania Para Taekwondo Championships. Athlete must be born before December 31st, 1999.

Criterion 6: Athlete must go through classification and be assigned Sport Class and Sport Class Status before the competition. Classification of kyorugi athletes will be on April 18-19, 2015.

14. Competition Rules:

WTF Competition Rules & Interpretation effective as of January 1st, 2015. 2) WTF_Para-Taekwondo_and_Deaf-Taekwondo_Classification_Rules_and_Regulations, in force as of January 16th, 2015

15. Events:

i) Kyorugi Classes

K41
K42
K43
K44

ii) Weight Categories:

Mens x 3
<61kgs
<75kgs
+75kgs

Womens x 3
<49kgs
<58kgs
+58Kgs

Notice: Entries are to be made in accordance with the WTF Para-Taekwondo Classification Master List. Entries of athletes into the wrong classes will be automatically corrected.

16. Classification - Para-Taekwondo:

i) Kyorugi Classes

Only athletes that has not previously been classified, i.e. athletes with a New "N" Sport Class Status will be classified. Classification of Kyorugi athletes will take place on June 27th 2015. A schedule for teams and athletes will be set up by the OTU/OC in consultation with the WTF and communicated to all teams in due course.

ii) Limb Deficiency (LD), Impaired Passive Range of Movement (PROM) (K40)

This group includes athletes with limb deficiency and impaired muscle strength, or loss of passive range of motion (PROM). The limb deficiency group includes individuals with traumatic amputations or dysmelia. The impaired muscle strength group includes loss of strength secondary to peripheral nervous system (PNS) damage or a brachial plexus lesion. The impaired strength group can also include ambulatory neurological impairments such as monoplegia, or mild hemiplegia. The loss of PROM can be due to joint contractures, joint abnormalities, or soft tissue restrictions. Finally this group could also include loss of great toe, or all of toes in one foot Minimal Disability Criteria (MDC) Amputation/Dysmelia:

- Unilateral amputation, through or above wrist (i.e., no carpal bones present in affected limb). Arthrodesed wrist joints are not eligible.
- Unilateral dysmelia in which the length of the affected arm measured from acromion to finger tip is equal in length or shorter than the combined length of the humerus and the radius of the unaffected arm.

iii) Athlete must meet one of the MDC as per below:

1. Must lose three muscle grades – e.g Daniels and Worthington grade 2 cannot complete one heel rise to 25 degrees. In lying may complete full range of motion with resistance. (See Muscle testing Daniels Worthingtons 8th edition pp 229, 231)
2. Brachial plexus – loss shoulder abduction loss of three (3) muscle grade points of muscle strength and same for shoulder flexion.
3. Loss of two (2) grade points of muscle strength in elbow flexion and extension.
4. Meets one criteria for PROM restriction in either the lower extremity or upper extremity. Weigh in of Kyorugi athletes will be held in connection with the classification.

17. Combinations of Classes and Divisions Para-Taekwondo:

The OTU reserves the right to combine classes and divisions in the case of insufficient participation. Combination of classes and/or divisions will be made by WTF Head of Classification. In the case of insufficient number of athletes, participating in a sport class consolidation of classes shall be made as follows:
K41 → K42, K42 → K43, K43 → K44

Note: The WTF will not recognise nor award world ranking points for open class athletes. Open class athletes will not be consolidated into the K40 classes.

18. Award Presentation:

i) Individual awards (Sparring)

1 st place:	one gold medal
2 nd place:	one silver medal
3 rd place:	one bronze medal
4 th place:	one bronze medal

ii) Individual awards (Poomsae)

1 st place:	one gold medal
2 nd place:	one silver medal
3 rd place:	one bronze medal

19. Condition for participation:

Round trip airfare, accommodation charges of room and board shall be borne by the participating Member National Association (MNA) athlete.

20. Condition for Registration and Payment:

➤ **AUD\$150 per athlete**

All entry fees from individual athletes and for participating national teams will be paid by credit card through the online registration system.

Athletes shall not be allowed to compete without verified payment of entry fee on registration to the Organizing Committee.

Entry deadline is **May 31st, 2015**. Entry submission after this date will be not accepted under any circumstances.

21. International Sparring Referees and Poomsae Judges

21a. International Sparring Referees

- 1) Required number of International Referees will be invited and then appointed by the OTU,
- 2) Round trip airfare will be borne by each International Referee appointed,
- 3) Three (3 nights) accommodation with breakfast will be covered by OC,
check-in Thursday 25th June, 2015
check-out Sunday 28th June, 2015
- 4) Referee training and meetings will be advised via the schedule, (TBA),
- 5) One day's per diem of AUD\$100 for the competition days only will be paid by STA.
- 6) On appointment, each IR will need to provide airline arrival and departure information into (Melbourne Airport) Melbourne, Australia on the form provided.

21b. International Poomsae Judges

- 1) Required number of International Poomsae Judges will be invited and then appointed by the OTU,
- 2) Judge training and meetings will be advised via the schedule, (TBA),
- 3) One day's per diem of AUD\$100 for the competition day only will be paid by STA.

22. Technical Delegate and Competition Supervisory Board

The WTF/OTU will appoint one (1) Technical Delegate and two (2) members of the Competition Supervisory Board who shall oversee both the 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships and 6th Australian Taekwondo Open.

23. WTF – recognized Taekwondo uniform (Dobok) and protective equipment

- 1) The participating contestants shall wear the WTF recognized Taekwondo uniform (Dobok). The WTF recognized protective equipment of headgear.
- 2) Daedo electronic trunk protector will be provided by OTU.
- 3) Groin guard, forearm, shin guard, recognized by the WTF and mouthpiece shall be carried by the participants for personal use. The mouthpiece must be clear or white.

24. Sparring Athletes Weigh-in

WTF Competition Rules, Article 9 - Weigh-in

1. Weigh-in of the contestants on the day of competition shall be completed on the previous day of the pertinent competition.
2. During weigh-in, the male contestant shall wear underpants and the female contestant shall wear underpants and a brassiere. However, weigh-in may be conducted in the nude if the contestant wishes to do so.
3. Weigh-in shall be made once, however, one more weigh-in is granted within the time limit to any contestant who did not qualify the first time.
4. So as not to be disqualified during official weigh-in, scales identical to the official one shall be provided at the contestants' place of accommodation or at the arena for pre-weigh-in.

25. Draw

- i. All The method and order of the draw may be modified depending on the decision of the Technical Delegate.

26. Indemnities

- i. All participants shall be responsible for ensuring that they have validly completed and signed the official participation forms, thus indemnifying the organizers and OTU, its officials and other contestants from any claims of injuries, losses, fatalities or otherwise arising in the course of participation in this championships or any activities thereto.
- ii. The respective participants shall be responsible for ensuring that all officials and participants are covered with effective insurance coverage.
- iii. Participants without proper participation entry forms and effective insurance coverage will not be allowed to compete at the championships

27. Doping Control

Use of drugs or doping by any chemical substances described in the WTF Regulation for Doping Control is strictly prohibited.

28. Transportation

- i. Ground transportation will not be provided for Participants by the organising committee. The competition venue is in close proximity to the City of Melbourne with various forms of public transport are available
- ii. Ground transportation will be provided for National Teams with 8 or more members on arrival and departure by the Organizing Committee and only if the Organizing Committee has been informed of the teams schedule (date, time, flight) in advance and by no later than Sunday 31st May, and only if the Team stay at hotel accommodation booked by the Organising Committee.
- iii. Ground transportation will be provided for all Appointed International referees on arrival and departure by the Organizing Committee and only if the Organizing Committee has been informed of the Appointed International referees schedule (date, time, flight) in advance and by no later than Sunday 31st May, and only if the appointed International Referees stay at hotel accommodation provided by the Organising Committee.

29. Accommodation

There is a wide range of Accommodation styles and prices available for your stay in Melbourne. The city area of Melbourne offers the widest choice of accommodation and is close to the competition venue. These online accommodation websites offer booking reservations.

- 1) www.hotelscombined.com 2) www.bookings.com 3) www.expedia.com 4) www.trivago.com

Teams and Individuals can book specially selected Hotels through the organising committee's reservations agent. Please contact the Organizing Committee to receive the accommodation reservation form and details of special rates for selected hotels.

30. Visas

The Organizing Committee can provide invitation letters for visa applications. MNA's are required to check the entry visa application waiting times in their own countries and submit requests for invitation letters to the Organizing Committee. MNA's are requested to request visa application invitation from the OC with passport copies of all team members at least two weeks before the waiting time deadline in their own country.

31. Information / updates

For further info please refer to the official website www.sta.asn.au and event updates will be emailed to all registered National Teams as necessary to keep everyone informed of the progress of the event.

TENTATIVE COMPETITION SCHEDULE ONLY

Combined Australian Open (AO) and Oceania Para Championships (OPC)

Wednesday 24th June	9:00am - 6:00pm 9:00am - 6:00pm	Accreditation of Athletes, Teams & officials Athlete & Team training
Thursday 25th June	9:00am - 6:00pm 9:00am - 6:00pm 10.00am - 12.00pm 5.00pm - 6.00pm	Accreditation of Athletes, Teams & officials Athlete & Team training Weigh-In Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) competing Friday Head of Team Meeting for AO G2 & OPC G4/G2
Friday 26th June	9:00am 9:00am - 6:00pm 9:00am - 5:00pm 9:00am - 5:00pm 10.00am - 2.00pm 5.00pm 5.30pm 6.00pm - 8.00pm 8.00pm	Opening Ceremony Accreditation of Athletes, Teams & officials Competition Poomsae (AO) all Divisions Competition Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) Weigh-In Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) competing Saturday Poomsae medal Ceremony Taekwondo Demonstration Team Finals Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) Kyorugi Medal Ceremony
Saturday 27th June	9:00am 9:00am - 12:00pm 9:00am - 5:00pm 9:00am - 5:00pm 10:00am - 12:00pm 10:00am - 12:00pm 12:00pm 12:00am - 12:00pm 5.30pm 6.00pm - 9.00pm 6.00pm - 9.00pm 9.00pm	Opening Ceremony Classification for Para athletes (OPC) competing Sunday Accreditation of Athletes, Teams & officials Competition Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) Weigh-In Para Kyorugi divisions (OPC) competing Sunday Weigh-In Cadet Kyorugi divisions (AO) competing Sunday Weigh-In Junior Kyorugi divisions (AO) competing Sunday Head of Team Meeting for Para, Cadets (WC selections) & Juniors Taekwondo Demonstration Team Finals Senior Kyorugi divisions (AO) Kyorugi Medal Ceremony

Sunday 28th June	8:00am - 10:00am	Accreditation of officials
	8:00am - 12:00pm	Competition Cadet Kyorugi divisions (AO) (WC Selections)
	8:00am - 12:00pm	Competition Junior Kyorugi divisions (AO)
	9.00am - 12.00pm	Competition Para Kyorugi divisions (OPC)
	12.00pm	Taekwondo Demonstration Team
	12.00pm - 2.00pm	Finals Cadet Kyorugi divisions (AO) (WC Selections)
	12.00pm - 2.00pm	Finals Junior Kyorugi divisions (AO)
	12.00pm - 2.00pm	Finals Para Kyorugi divisions (OPC)
	2.00pm	Kyorugi Medal Ceremony

Individual Indemnity **6th Australian Open & 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships**

TO: Organising Committee Email info@sta.asn.au

LIABILITY DECLARATION

The Signer.

Name: _____

Address: _____

National Association: _____

Division Entered: _____

Is authorized to make this declaration and confirms by his signature, that a liability insurance has been effected for the Officials and Competitors participating in the 6th Australian Open and, or the 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships.

This insurance is liable for all damages of persons or things, and indemnifies the Sports Taekwondo Victoria, Sports Taekwondo Australia and the Organizing Committee from any liability.

It is expressly confirmed that in case of damages of persons or things claims for compensation cannot be put to the Sports Taekwondo Victoria, Sports Taekwondo Australia and the Organizing Committee.

Signature _____

6th Australian Open, 1st Oceania Para-Taekwondo Championships 2015

26 to 28 June 2015
Melbourne, Australia

Final Call

Nomination Form - Kyorugi and Poomsae International Referees (WTF/OTU)

Due to the tight time frames this form must be returned to OTU / STA via email to: rene.leveaux@uts.edu.au on or before 5pm **24 April 2015 for consideration.**

SURNAME FIRST NAME.....

ADDRESS

CITY / TOWN CITY / TOWN Post Code.....

COUNTRY (MNA).....

TELEPHONE: {Mobile}:() {Home}:().....

Email Address:

NATIONALITY:.....

Date of Birth:.....Gender: Male / Female

WTF Kyorugi – IR Number: IR Class:

Place of last WTF IR Kyorugi Seminar attended: Date:

WTF Poomsae – IR Number: IR Class:

Place of last WTF IR Poomsae Seminar attended: Date:

OTU Kyorugi – OTU Class: Expiry Date:

Place of last OTU IR Kyorgogi Seminar attended:

OTU Poomsae – OTU Class: Expiry Date:

Place of last OTU IR Poomsaei Seminar attended:

Shirt Size (men's US Size): XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL

I declare the above particulars to be true in every respect.

Signed (Applicant) (Date)

Must return via email to: rene.leveaux@uts.edu.au by 5pm **24 April 2015.**