



Abidjan 2017 World Taekwondo
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October 31, 2017

Presidents and Secretaries General
WT Member National Association

Re: World Taekwondo GP Final & World Taekwondo Gala Awards & World Taekwondo Team Championships

Dear beloved Taekwondo Family,

It is a great pleasure to extend an invitation to your member national association to participate in the World Taekwondo GP Final, World Taekwondo Gala Awards, and World Taekwondo Team Championships to be held on December 2-6, 2017 in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire.

The world's top sixteen taekwondo athletes in each weight category are expected to compete. It will be an exciting event to celebrate the 1st World Taekwondo GP Final in continent of Africa.

Also, I expect that the World Taekwondo Team Championships (December 5-6) will serve as an opportunity for the top elite teams to display their skills and togetherness. It will show you the thrilling moments of competition and friendship.

To commemorate the closing of this year, the 4th edition of World Taekwondo Gala Awards will be held on 4th of December and it will honor the accomplishments of the players, officials and national federations as the social event worldwide.

We look forward to seeing you and your teams in Abidjan.

Sincerely yours,

Chungwon Choue
Chungwon Choue
President



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INVITATION TO THE ABIDJAN 2017 WORLD TAEKWONDO
TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS**

OUTLINE

**Abidjan 2017 World Taekwondo
Team Championships**

1. PROMOTER:	WORLD TAEKWONDO (WT)
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2. ORGANIZING MNA:	Federation Ivoirienne de Taekwondo
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3. Date:	December 5-6, 2017
4. VENUE:	Palais des Sports de Treichville, Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
5. QUALIFICATIONS	
CRITERION #1:	Holder of the nationality of the participating team except two substitutes
CRITERION #2:	The Invitation shall be extended to the pertinent member national taekwondo association that is recognised by the World Taekwondo.
CRITERION #3:	Holder of the Kukkiwon Dan Certificate (* A copy of the 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.)
CRITERION #4:	<u>An athlete must be 17 years old or older.</u> An athlete who was born in the year of 2000 or before is eligible to participation in the competition.
CRITERION #5:	Holder of valid WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL). * Any questions on the WT GAL please contact your assigned WTF GMS Manager
1 COMPETITION RULES	
Standing Procedure and outline of WT World Taekwondo Team Championships and WT Competition Rules in force as of the Competition date	



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2 INVITATION OF THE TEAMS

Eight (8) Teams per gender division will be invited as well as mixed gender team format: Selection of the teams shall be made as follows.

- 2.1 The WT will invite top two placed team of male and female teams from Baku 2016 World Taekwondo Team Championships, and top four placed teams of male and female teams from Muju 2017 World Taekwondo Championships as well as one recommended team of male and female teams by WT technical committee.
- 2.2 Host nation of the Championships shall be automatically invited.
- 2.3 Mixed Gender Team: number of teams will be formed among invited male and female teams.
(Team composition: 2 male and 2 female)

3 METHOD OF COMPETITION

Method of Team Competition is a mixture of traditional team match format and tag-team match format.

- 3.1 Mixture of Traditional Team Match format and Tag-team Match format
 - 3.1.1 In order to form the team, each team must enter 5 athletes in minimum and in maximum of 6 athletes including 1 substitute.
3.1.1.1 For Mixed Gender Team: each team must enter 2 female athletes and 2 male athletes in minimum.
 - 3.1.2 A team may include maximum 2 foreign athletes from other MNAs as long as they are not the same nationality of any participating National Teams in Abidjan 2017 Team Championships.
 - 3.1.3 Each team can designate 5 first team athletes and 1 substitute athlete per contest. The athletes shall be numbered from 1 (lightest) to 5 (heaviest).
 - 3.1.4 The preliminary matches in group stage shall be carried out for 3 rounds (5 minutes of 1st round and 3 minutes of 2nd round & 3rd round) with 1 minute break between rounds. Semi-final and final matches for 3 rounds of 5 minutes with 1 minute break between rounds.
3.1.4.1 For Mixed Gender Team: All matches shall be carried out for 3 rounds (4 minutes of 1st round and 3 minutes of 2nd round & 3rd round) with 1 minute break between rounds.
 - 3.1.5 The 1st round shall be conducted based on traditional team match format for one (1) minute per competition. It means that the athletes shall compete against his/her counterparts of the opposing team (same numbered athlete) in the order from lighter to heavier. Final score of each team that is total points scored by all athletes of the team shall be accumulated.
 - 3.1.6 The 2nd round and 3rd round shall be conducted based on tag-team match format for 3 or 5 minutes. The numbers of replacement shall be allowed in maximum of 8 times per round of 3 minutes and 12 times per round of 5 minutes regardless of order.
3.1.6.1 For Mixed Gender Team: The 2nd round shall start with choice of Chung's female athlete and 3rd round shall start with choice of Hong's female athlete based on tag-team match format for 3 minutes. The unlimited numbers of replacement shall be allowed in per round of 3 minutes regardless of order but must be same gender.
 - 3.1.7 The team that scores more points in accumulation of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd round shall be declared as the winner. In case of a tie at the preliminary group stage, the final result shall be recorded as 'Draw' but from semi finals, golden point round shall be carried out on tag-team format, the team that scores the first four points shall be declared as winning team.
 - 3.1.8 The team that reaches 30 "Gam-jeom" in total shall be declared as loser at any time during the competition.
 - 3.1.9 No point gap in team competition**
- 3.2 Substitute(s)
 - 3.2.1 Each team may bring maximum six (6) athletes including one (1) substitute to the Championships. Only one (1) substitute is allowed to stand by for each team match and can replace any of the five (5) competitors for once after the first round of match
 - 3.2.2 In case of injury during the championships, form of four (4) athletes still can be composed as a team and compete; however, 10 points will be given to opponent in 1st round.
3.2.2.1 For Mixed Gender Team: In case of injury during the championships, form of 3 athletes



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(either 1 male & 2 female or 1 female & 2 male) still can be composed as a team and compete; however, 10 points will be given to opponent in 1st round.

3.2.3 Less than four (4) athletes in each team shall be disqualified.

3.2.3.1 For Mixed Gender Team: Less than three (3) athletes in each team shall be disqualified.

3.3 WT Ranking points

Abidjan 2017 World Taekwondo Team Championships is G-2 ranking event. The following ranking points per male team and female team respectively will be given to all athletes of the team. The ranking points shall be awarded to the athlete's declared Olympic weight division and pertinent World weight division. To obtain ranking points, an athlete must compete at least once during the championships

- 1st Placed team: 20 points
- 2nd placed team: 12 points
- 3rd placed team: 7.2 points
- 5th placed teams: 4.32 points

In case of athlete participates in both regular team competition and mixed gender team competition, athlete shall receive points from result of only one competition either regular team or mixed gender team the point of which is higher.

4 SYSTEM OF COMPETITION

System of Team Competition is classified as follows.

4.1 Round-robin system in preliminary group stage – competitions within each group of teams - and single elimination system in semi-finals though finals shall be applied.

4.1.1 For Mixed Gender Team: Single elimination system shall be applied.

4.2 Eight (8) teams

4.2.1 In group stage, eight (8) teams shall be divided into two (2) groups, with four (4) teams per group.

4.2.2 Two (2) teams shall be seeded in these groups; one team per group. They are the host nation, and the top team at the Baku 2016 World Taekwondo Team Championships. If any of the seeded nations is not participating or host nation, the next-highest ranked team at the Baku 2016 World Taekwondo Team Championships that is participating in the Championships shall be seeded. The other teams except these two (2) teams shall be randomly allocated in two (2) groups through drawing of lots.

4.2.3 Based on round-robin system, each team shall play three (3) times in group stage by competing once against each of three other teams in the same group in turn.

4.2.4 In group stage, each team shall gain 3 points per win, 1 point for draw and 0 point for loss and the team with more team points shall be ranked higher.

4.2.5 The top two (2) teams of each group shall automatically advance to the semi-finals. Draw of semi-finals shall be pre-determined based on the results at the group stage. In case of tie, rank shall be classified in accordance of the following order:

- The team that has more team points
- The team that has more accumulated scores after deduction of the points earned by the opposing team from the points earned
- If there is still a tie, team with higher accumulated scores
- If there is still a tie, team with (1) higher number of RSC. (2) lower number of Gam-jeom and (3) lower number of Kyong-go
- If there is still a tie after exhausting the criteria, it shall be determined by the method decided by Technical Delegate.

4.2.6 In case that there are less than 8 teams participating, the number of groups and/or number of teams per group may be subject to change. In this case, Technical Delegate shall make final decision and shall announce the decision at the Head of Team Meeting



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5 PROCEDURE OF THE CONTEST

- 5.1 Each team shall be called at Athlete Calling Desk three times beginning thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled contest.
- 5.2 Each team shall submit the order of the contestants for the 1st round match based on the weight of each athlete (lighter to heavier) to the responsible technical official designated by the WT. The number of order shall be put on trunk protector of each contestant for identification. The substitute athlete shall be given the number '6'.
5.2.1 For Mixed Gender Team: Each team shall submit the order of the contestants for the 1st round match based on the weight of each gender athlete (lighter to heavier) to the responsible technical official designated by the WT. The number of order shall be put on trunk protector of each contestant for identification.
- 5.3 Five (5) first team athletes and one (1) substitute of each team shall march in together with two (2) coaches and one (1) team doctor.
5.3.1 For Mixed Gender Team: Four (4) athletes of each team shall march in together with two (2) coaches and one (1) team doctor.
- 5.4 The center referee shall call "Chung, Hong." Both teams shall enter the contest area with their head PSS firmly tucked under their left arms facing each other.
- 5.5 Following the referee's command "Cha-ryeot" and "Kyeong-rye", both teams shall make a standing bow to each other.
- 5.6 The first competitor shall stay in the contest area for the first match, and the others stay in coach's area.
- 5.7 The contest shall start by the center referee's command "Joon-bi" and "Shi-jak".
- 5.8 After the referee declares "Keu-man", both teams shall enter the contest area with their head PSS firmly tucked under their left arms facing each other, and make a standing bow to each other following commend of the referee.
- 5.9 The referee shall declare the winner by raising own hand to the winner's side.

11 WEIGHT RANGE: Total weight

- 11.1 Male Team:
The total weight of 5 competing athletes shall be 373kg or less.
- 11.2 Female Team:
The total weight of 5 competing athletes shall be 318kg or less.
- 11.3 Mixed Gender Team:
The total weight of 2 female athletes shall be 135kg or less
The total weight of 2 male athletes shall be 160kg or less.

12 DURATION OF THE CONTEST

- 12.1 1st round: Total 5 minutes, and 1 minute per athlete without break between the individual matches
12.1.1 For Mixed Gender Team: 1st round: Total 4 minutes, and 1 minute per athlete without break between the individual matches
- 12.2 2nd round & 3rd round: 3 minutes in preliminary, and 5 minutes for Semi-Final and Final.
- 12.3 1 minute break between rounds.

13 ANTI-DOPING

- 13.1 World Taekwondo Team championships are defined as Team sport following definition of WADA.
- 13.2 If more than two (2) members of a team are found to have committed an anti-doping rule violation during the Championships, the team shall be disqualified from the Championships in addition to any consequences imposed upon the individual athlete.

14 CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS (Per male and female respectively)

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- 1st PLACE:** Trophy to the team and gold medals to all athletes of the pertinent team
For both male and female team: Invitation to Wuxi 2017 World Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series (Team Competition on January 27, 2018)
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- 2nd PLACE:** Trophy to the team and silver medals to all athletes of the pertinent team
For male team only: Invitation to Wuxi 2017 World Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series (Team Competition on January 27, 2018)
- 3rd PLACES:** Trophies to the team and bronze medals to all registered athletes of the pertinent team

15 TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY (Maximum 23 members including substituted athletes, if any)

POSITION	MAX. NO. OF MEMBERS	
	MALE	FEMALE
HEAD OF TEAM:	1	
MANAGER:	1	1
COACH:	2	2
TRAINER:	1	1
TEAM DOCTOR:	1	1
CONTESTANTS:	5 (+1 substitutes)	5 (+1 substitute)

* The number of athletes may increase to maximum 6 if the team brings sparring athletes.

16 INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

The WT will appoint thirty (40) International Referees. The following conditions shall apply.

16.1 International Referees are required to pay for their own round-trip airfares.

16.2 The Organizing Committee shall pay the expenses for eight (8) nights' stay of room and board.

Check-in: November 29 / Check-out: December 7 (Including GP Final)

17 TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COMPETITION SUPERVISORY BOARD

The WTF will appoint the Technical Delegate and the members of the Competition Supervisory Board who shall oversee the Championships. The following conditions shall apply.

17.1 The Organizing Committee shall pay for the expenses of room and board for the Technical Delegate and CSB members for eight (8) nights' stay of room and board.

Check-in: November 29 / Check-out: December 7 (Including GP Final)

18 WT-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO UNIFORM (DOBOK) AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- i. Daedo Protector and Scoring System (PSS) including Head PSS will be used for the competition.
- ii. Participating contestants are required to wear WT-recognized doboks and WT-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT (<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/>)
- iii. The Organizing Committee will provide Protector and Scoring System (PSS) to the participating contestants. Participating contestants are required to bring their own groin guards, mouthpieces, gloves, sensing socks and shin and forearm guards for their personal use.
- iv. Before entering the field of play, all contestants will proceed to the inspection desk for inspection of their doboks and protective equipment. Any contestant who wears unofficial doboks or protective equipment will not be permitted to compete.
- v. Participating contestants are required to bring both white and color uniform either blue or red.

19 IDENTIFICATION OF NOC CODE AND MANUFACTURER

- i. National flag shall be located between 3cm and 3.4cm below the right shoulder line of upper garment.
- ii. NOC Code is a three-letter National Olympic Committee abbreviation, and it shall be printed at the back in black and centred at 5cm or higher from the bottom line of the upper garment within the size of 30cm width x 12cm height. The font of the letters shall be in bold "Verdana".
- iii. Manufacturer's identification (name, designation trademark, logo or any distinctive sign of the manufacturer) shall be located one per garment within 20cm² except at the location of the WT or WTF logo.



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20 MEDICAL CONTROL

- i. The WT Anti-Doping Rules, and where necessary the Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency, shall apply throughout the competitions.
- ii. Compulsory anti-doping tests will be carried out on random selection basis. The WTF and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the competition. Therefore, all participating contestants are required to submit their latest and most accurate Athlete Location (Whereabouts Info) Forms to the WT.
- iii. TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption)
Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WTF Anti-Doping Rules and Anti-Doping Code of World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for therapeutic purposes are requested to visit the website of WADA and make online filing of their TUE applications on ADAMS <http://www.wada-ama.org/en/ADAMS/> and report to the WTF Sports Department at marcoienna@wtf.org by no later than *November 21th, 2017*. For more details, please see the following page of the WT website: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/medical-anti-doping/anti-doping/therapeutic-use-exemptions-tues/>
For ADAMS login, please contact National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) in your country or WT Sports Department at marcoienna@wtf.org

21 HEAD OF TEAM MEETING & DRAWING OF LOTS SESSION

- 21.1 The head of team meeting and the drawing of lots session shall be conducted one (1) day prior to the start of the championships that is December 4, 2017, in the presence of the WT officials and the representatives of the participating nations.
- 21.2 The method of draw shall be decided by the Technical Delegate.
- 21.3 The details of procedures of competitions may be changed with the agreements among head of teams during the Head of Team Meeting.

22 WEIGH-IN

- 22.1 Weigh-in of all contestants shall be completed one day before their scheduled competition day that is December 4, 2017.
- 22.2 During the weigh-in, male contestants shall wear underpants and female contestants shall wear underpants and brassieres. However, contestants may weigh-in in the nude if they want to do so.

23 INDEMNITIES

- i. The respective national taekwondo associations shall be responsible for ensuring that all officials and participants are covered with effective travel & medical insurance coverage.
- ii. Participants without proper insurance coverage will not be allowed to compete at the competition.
- iii. The Organizing Committee will acquire general Public Liability event insurance.

24 ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION

OC will send it out separate invitation packet shortly.

25 VISA INFORMATION

The Organising Committee can provide recommendation letters for visa applications.

However, MNA's are required to check the Cote d'Ivoire entry visa application waiting times in their own countries and submit requests for recommendation letters to the organising committee.

The Organising Committee cannot guarantee entry into Cote d'Ivoire and can only offer assistance. It is the responsibility of each athlete and MNA to apply for and secure the correct entry visa for Cote d'Ivoire.

MNA's are requested to complete the attached visa application recommendation form at least one week before the waiting time deadline in their own country.



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26 CLOSING DATES FOR ENTRIES / ENTRY FEE

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

Online National Team Entry will only be accepted through the WT online registration system, simply compete and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global Licence. National Team GMS admins will be notified via email once online registration is open.

- 26.1 WT will send out the invitation to the pertinent MNA first week of November.
- 26.2 The invited MNA is requested to send written confirmation on participation of its athlete(s) to WT sport department via sport@wtf.org no later than November 14th. After the MNA confirms participation via e-mail, MNA shall register the athlete(s) through online registration system, simply compete.
- 26.3 Regular Registration period will **begin** on **2nd November 2017**, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- 26.4 Regular Registration period will **end** on **14th November 2017**, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- 26.5 Team may replace athlete until **24th of November 2017** with valid reason.
- 26.6 Entry fee (US\$300 per team) must be paid during team registration in Abidjan

Any WT Global Licence registration completed onsite will be charged a US\$30 onsite processing fee for each WT Global Licence required.

27 COACH'S ATTIRE

All Coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), and trouser during semi-final and final matches. If any coach refuses to wear abovementioned attire, he or she won't be coaching for Team Championships 2017.

28 TEAM DOCTOR'S MEETING

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team doctors or physicians must attend team doctor's meeting on December 4th.



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Timetable (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Date	Time	Event	Place
Dec 2 – 4	1000-1800	Arrival and registration of teams	TBD
Dec. 2-4	0900-1800	Training	Palais des Sports de Treichville
Dec. 4	0900-1600	Referee meeting and training	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1000-1200	Weigh-in for all athletes	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1000-1200	Head of Team Meeting and Drawing of Lots	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1300-1500	Team Doctor's Meeting	Palais des Sports de Treichville
Dec. 5	1000-1200	Preliminary Rounds	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1200-1300	Lunch break	TBD
	1300-1700	Preliminary Rounds	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1730-1800	Opening Ceremony	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1830-2030	Preliminary Rounds	Palais des Sports de Treichville
Dec. 6	1300-1530	Semi-Finals & Finals	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1530-1630	Break	TBD
	1630-1830	Quarter Final for Mixed Gender Team	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	1830-2000	Semi-Finals & Finals for Mixed Gender Team	Palais des Sports de Treichville
	2000-2030	Awarding Ceremony	Palais des Sports de Treichville