

A stylized red figure in a Taekwon-Do pose, with one leg raised and arms extended, set against a white background.

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CHAMPIONSHIP

olympic weight categories

2017 S*FIA

7-9 December

Dear Taekwondo Family,

I cordially welcome you to the WTE European Olympic Weight Category Championships 2017, here in the beautiful city of Sofia, Bulgaria.

This event is among the ones that commenced in Europe. Its aim is to represent the Olympic character of our sport and has been established to enhance the athletes' performance in the eight in total different category divisions of taekwondo in every Olympic Games.

It also stands as a lighthouse of the Olympic Taekwondo successes and as an annual stepping stone within the 4 year-cycle of the Summer Olympic Games.

We aspire the establishment of the championships throughout the taekwondo family, defining the flagship of its Olympic character, values and the athletes' reinforcement in achieving their utmost.

I would also like to express my appreciation to the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation for organizing and carrying out the event successfully and I wish to all participants the best of luck and top-end athletic performance.



WTE President
Sakis Pragalos



Dear beloved global taekwondo family members,

It is a great pleasure for me to invite you to participate at the WTE European Championships Olympic Weight Categories and Open Para European Championships which will be held in Sofia, Bulgaria from 7th till 9th of December 2017. I would like to extend our warm welcome to all athletes, coaches, international referees, officials as well as our distinguished guests and friends all over the Europe to participate in this events.

The Championships are very meaningful for the development of our beloved sport globally. It is great pleasure to host such significant tournaments in Bulgaria. With the trust and active participation of all teams, I believe the tournaments will be a great success, and the further development of Taekwondo will be achieved. I am confident that the Organizing committee will do its best to ensure the success of the WTE European Championships Olympic Weight Categories and Open Para European Championships.

We look forward to seeing you all in Sofia in November.

Best regards,



**Slavi Binev,
President of the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation
Vice-president of the World Taekwondo Europe**



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Venue**Sports hall "Asics Arena" (former "Festivalna")**

35, Manastirska str, Sofia, Bulgaria

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/iUv56et967T2>

Competition dates

7-9 December 2017

**Qualification
Requirements**

1. Holder of the nationality of the participating country
2. A participant must be nominated by the pertinent National Taekwondo Association that is recognized by the World Taekwondo Europe and by their National Olympic Committee.
3. Holder of Taekwondo Dan certificate .
4. Holder of the WT Global Athlete License (GAL)
5. An athlete must be born 2000 and before to be eligible for participation. All competitors must prove their age by presenting their passport or identification card at the official weigh-in. Membership to an MNA will be checked by the organizer.
For those athletes that are not adults, a written consent must be submitted (please find enclosed on the last pages) at the registration, signed by parents or legal guardians, accepting their participation and all parts of the official invitation.
6. Every National Team can participate with 2 athletes per weight category plus the quota places automatically qualified from 2nd WTF President Cup (Athens 27-30/4/2017).

Competition Rules

WT Competition Rules (version 2017)

System of competition

Single elimination tournament system.

Contest time*

Senior: 2 minutes x 3 rounds with 1 minute break between each round.

Team Members

The following accreditations will be provided to team members, on request to the OC.



Role	Male Team	Female Team
Head of Team	1	
Manager	1	
Coach	1	1
Trainer	1	1
Team Doctor	1	
Contestants	4x2*	4x2*
* Every National Team may participate with two (2) athletes per weight category, plus quota from WTF PC 2017.		

Weight divisions

WEIGHT DIVISIONS			
Male division		Female division	
Under 58kg	Not exceeding 58kg	Under 49kg	Not exceeding 49 kg
Under 68kg	Over 58 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg	Under 57kg	Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 57 kg
Under 80kg	Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 80 kg	Under 67kg	Over 57 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg
Over 80kg	Over 80 kg	Over 67kg	Over 67 kg

Awards

Individual awards:

- 1st place – gold medal and certificate
- 2nd place – silver medal and certificate
- 3rd place – bronze medal and certificate
- 3rd place – bronze medal and certificate

Team Awards

The three first ranked teams in each of the male and female categories (point total) will each receive trophies. The ranking for this event will be decided by using the Olympic Ranking System.

Qualification coaches

The minimum qualification requirements for coaches are as follows:

- All coaches must be at least 18 years of age.
- All Coaches / Trainers must be holders of the World Taekwondo Europe License or the respective CU Coach License (granted by participation in a CU Coach Seminar). Coaches / Trainers that do not have the **CU Coach License** or their License is expired shall pay a € 200, - penalty at the registration desk.



Dress code coaches

During the preliminaries, quarter-finals, coaches shall wear sportswear. During semi-finals and finals coaches must wear a formal outfit. During the Head of Team meeting, more information about the dress code shall be provided to the teams. Coaches that do not follow the dress code cannot enter into the field of play.

Sport entry

Team entries will only be accepted through the WT online registration system and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global Licence. The GMS administrator will be notified via e-mail once the online registration is open.

<https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com>

Please follow the World Taekwondo Europe website for more information.

Entry fee

The entry fee is amounted to €100 euro per registered athlete.

The participating federations may pay the entry fee in cash at the official registration, however, in this case, the entry fee will be € 125 (euro) per competitor.

All fees must be paid in EUROS; please ensure that the sender assumes any currency or bank charges. Any additional costs or charges to the bank account of the World Taekwondo Europe must be paid in cash during registration.

Payments must be received from the team of the National Federation (individual payments are not permitted).

Additional registration of officials requested at the registration desk is subject of an administrative fee of €50 *which shall be paid on spot* (new accreditation requests).

Entry fees must be paid in advance to the following bank account:

Name: European Taekwondo Union
Bank name: Volksbank Bigge Lenne eG
Country : GERMANY
IBAN: DE72 4606 2817 2751 1257 00
BIC: GENODEM1SMA
Bank address: Nieder Str. 22
2457439 Attendorn GERMANY

Payment reference: OWC & National Team Name

YOU MUST SEND A COPY OF THE BANK STATEMENT TO THE FOLLOWING E-MAIL:

info@worldtaekwondoeurope.org

Deadline

The deadline to register athletes for participation and to send in all relevant forms is set at **12th November 2017, 23:59 CET. Registration must be done via WT GMS System. (<https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com>).**



Registration NOTICE

Registration of a contestant is only valid once the World Taekwondo Europe Bank Account has received the entry-fee payment in full. Any athlete registering on-line who does not take part in the competition and who has not been removed from the entry list before the deadline (12th November 2017), **is liable for paying his/her entry-fee in full.** (For any athlete not presenting at registration, his/her team or official will be liable for ensuring **full payment** has been received, prior to the team's participation). The entry fee is non-refundable. Each National Team is required to present a copy of the bank transaction, as proof of entry-fee payment at the Registration Centre. Any team unable to present a copy of the Bank transaction will be required to pay in cash to the WT Europe official responsible on-site.

Protector & Scoring System

At the championships GEN2 DAEDO is being used as PSS. The Organizing Committee will provide DAEDO trunk protector and DAEDO E-headgear. Participating contestants are required to bring their own groin guards, forearm guards, shin guards, mouthpieces, gloves and sensing socks for their personal use.

Recognized brands

Participating contestants are required to wear WT-recognized doboks and WT-recognized protective equipment, otherwise access to the field of play will be rejected. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/>

Anti-doping regulations

The WT Anti-Doping Rules, and where necessary the Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency, shall apply throughout the competitions.

Compulsory anti-doping tests will be carried out for all finalists, while random tests will be conducted among the quarter- and semi-finalists who failed to advance to the (semi-)final. The WT and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the championship. Therefore, all participating contestants are required to submit their latest and most accurate Athlete Location (Whereabouts Info) Forms to the WT. The 2017 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods available at:

<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/resources/sciencemedicine/prohibited-list>

TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption)

Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WT 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 WT Sport Department at marcoienna@wtf.org by no later



than 1st November 2017. For more details, please see the following page of the WTF 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 Sport Department at marcoienna@wtf.org

Indemnities

It is the responsibility of each registering team to ensure that their athletes and team officials have filled out the indemnification forms correctly and have duly signed them, thereby indemnifying WT, WT Europe, the Organizing Committee and all other officials and athletes from any claims of injuries, losses or otherwise arising in the course of participation at the European Taekwondo Championships Olympic Weight Categories 2017 or any activities linked therewith.

It is the responsibility of each registered team to ensure and guarantee that all competitors have an Athletic Insurance (specially for participation in sports events) which has to be presented during the onsite registration. Without sufficient insurance coverage, national teams will not be allowed to compete.

Please fill out the Personal Indemnity Forms and return them to the Organization Committee before 12th November 2017. Each participant (athletes, team officials, etc.) has to fill out the indemnification form.

Head of Team Meeting

The Head of Team meeting shall be conducted by World Taekwondo Europe officials on Thursday 6th December 2017 in a conference hall at the Official Hotel. Exact time and place shall be communicated forthwith.

Team doctor's meeting

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team doctors or physicians must attend team doctor's meeting on 6th December 2017 in a conference hall at the Official Hotel. Exact time and place shall be communicated forthwith.

Draw of lots

All athletes will be seeded according to the WT Global Ranking as per 30 November 2017 (if not available, the 30 October 2017 ranking will be used). The draw sheets and brackets will be available one (1) day before the start of the competition of the respective weight category. The drawing of lots will be conducted by World Taekwondo Europe officials prior to the competition in the presence of officials and representatives of the participating nations. The draw will be carried out for all weight categories electronically (after the weigh-in is completed).



Weigh-in

The weigh-in of the athletes takes place one (1) day prior to the start of the respective weight category they compete in. During the weigh-in, the male athlete shall wear underpants and the female athlete shall wear underpants and brassiere. However, the athlete may weigh in nude if he/she wishes to do so.

Each athlete shall have one (1) attempt to pass the weigh in. However, one (1) extra attempt is allowed for those athletes who did not qualify the first time. This extra attempt shall be done within the time limit of the official weigh-in.

Transportation & Accommodation

Round trip airfare shall be borne by the participating teams. The Organizing Committee will arrange transportation from the Sofia's airport to the official hotels and back. Transportation will be only organized for the teams that have made hotel reservations through the Organizing Committee. Please see the Accommodation Appendix for the information about the official hotels. Please fill in the Accommodation and Transportation Appendixes and return it to the Organizing Committee(accommodationbtf@gmail.com) until the 12th of November 2017 in order to secure your MNA hotel accommodation and plan the required transfer. Accommodation charges for room and board of the teams shall be borne by the participating MNA. The deadline for hotel reservations through the Organizing Committee is set out in the Accommodation Appendix. The payment for accommodation shall be paid by bank transfer before the deadline for hotel reservations. As room allotment is limited, your room reservation request will be treated according to the space availability at the hotel.

Visa

If your National Team Members need visa to enter Bulgaria, please return the completely filled-in Visa Details Appendix to the Organizing Committee (event@taekwondo-bulgaria.org) and be sure to inform the OC of the location of the Bulgarian Embassy to which your team will apply for visa. MNA's are required to check the Bulgarian Republic entry visa application waiting times in their own countries and submit requests for recommendation letters to the organizing committee no later than 1st of November 2017. The Organizing Committee cannot guarantee entry into Bulgaria and can only offer assistance. It is the responsibility of each MNA to apply for and secure the correct entry visa for Bulgaria.

National Flag & Anthem

Every participating MNA is required to provide the following items for use during the Opening ceremony:

1. Two (2) IOC-recognized national flags • Size: 90cm x 130cm
2. A CD of the pertinent IOC-recognized national anthem

Items mentioned in 1 & 2 must be submitted to the Organizing Committee during registration at the Registration Centre.



Event timetable *(subject to change)*

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
5th December	14:00-20:00	Teams Arrivals & Registration	Registration Center at the Official Hotel
6th December	10:00-18:00	Teams Arrivals & Registration	Registration Center at the Official Hotel
	10:00-17:00	Teams Training	Sports hall "Asics Arena"
	10:00-16:00	Referee Training Seminar	Referee Hotel
	12:00-14:00	Weigh-In for M -68kg, F-57kg	Sports hall "Asics Arena"
	19:00-20:00	Head of Team Meeting & Drawing Lots	Official Hotel (Conference Hall)
	20:00-20:30	Doctors' Meeting	
7th December	09:00-13:00	Competitions: M -68kg, F-57kg	Sports Hall "Asics Arena"
	11:00-13:00	Weigh-in for M -58kg, M -80kg, F-49kg	
	13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
	14:00-18:00	Preliminaries & Semifinals: M -68kg, F-57kg	
	18:00-18:30	Opening Ceremony	
	18:30-20:00	Finals and Awarding Ceremony	
8th December	09:00-13:00	Competitions: M -58kg, M -80kg, F-49kg	Sports Hall "Asics Arena"
	11:00-13:00	Weigh-in for M +80kg, F -67kg, F +67kg	
	13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
	14:00-17:00	Preliminaries & Semifinals: M -58kg, M -80kg, F-49kg	
	17:00-18:00	Finals and Awarding Ceremony	
9th December	09:00-13:00	Competitions: M +80kg, F -67kg, F +67kg	Sports Hall "Asics Arena"
	13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
	14:00-17:00	Preliminaries & Semifinals: M +80kg, F -67kg, F +67kg	
	17:00-18:00	Finals: M +80kg, F -67kg, F +67kg Awarding Ceremony	
10th December	-	Teams Departure	-

PERSONAL INDEMNIFICATION FORM

THIS INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS, RELEASE AND CONSENT NOT TO SUE

executed this on: _____ (insert date of signing).

I, the undersigned, certify that I will indemnify, hold harmless and release the World Taekwondo Europe and the Organizing Committee, its executive board members, directors, officers, members, employees, consultants, agents, attorneys, contractors (including without limitation sponsors, suppliers, licensees and other representatives (each, an "Indemnatee" and, collectively, "Indemnitees"), from and against any and all damages, injuries, penalties, fines, claims, suits, liabilities, costs, attorneys' fees court costs and expenses of every kind and nature suffered by or asserted against the Indemnatee as a direct or indirect result of participating in the 2nd European Taekwondo Championships Olympic Weight Categories 2017 in the broadest sense of the word.

By signing and submitting the form below, I accept and agree to the terms and covenants contained in this Indemnification, hold harmless, release and consent not to sue.

I verify that by signing and submitting this form, that I have read and agree to all of the terms and conditions provided above.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature:

In case the person involved is a minor, the legal guardian has to sign:

Name: _____

Relation towards the minor: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please send this form to: event@taekwondo-bulgaria.org



LIABILITY DECLARATION

(only for under aged competitors)

My name: _____

I live in: _____

I am the parent/guardian of: _____

Date of birth (competitor): ____/____/____

I declare that I accept the participation of _____ at the **2nd European Taekwondo Championships Olympic Weight Categories 2017, Sofia, Bulgaria** and that I accept all parts of the **official invitation** of this tournament.

For physical reasons nothing speaks against a **participation and** I understand that all competitors are considered to participate at their own **risk. Neither Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation** nor World Taekwondo Europe assume **no responsibility** for any damages, injuries or losses. All contestants **must bring their own documents** and the forms or any medical insurance **in Bulgaria.**

Place: _____

Date: _____

Signature of the parents/legal guardian:

Please send this form to: event@taekwondo-bulgaria.org

