

The President

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To: Presidents and Secretaries General, World Taekwondo Member National Associations

BAKU 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear colleagues,

On the occasion of the 50th Founding Anniversary of World Taekwondo, I have the pleasure to invite you to Baku, Azerbaijan, for the World Taekwondo Championships and Golden Jubilee Gala Awards!

The 26th edition of the World Taekwondo Championships taking place from May 29th to June 4th will be truly historic, as we commemorate the amazing achievements that we have worked so hard together for over the past 50 years. I wish to thank President Kamaladdin Heydarov and the Azerbaijan Taekwondo Federation for your generous support.

At the Golden Jubilee Gala Awards on May 27th, World Taekwondo will honour the founding Member National Associations that took part in the inaugural General Assembly on May 28, 1973. In addition, World Taekwondo will honour 12 Olympians and two Paralympians who will be crowned as the best male and female athletes of each Olympic Games since Sydney 2000.

The Council Meeting and General Assembly will take place on May 28th, which coincidentally falls on the 105th Independence Day of the Republic of Azerbaijan. World Taekwondo is privileged to be able to celebrate our Golden Jubilee on such an important occasion.

The World Taekwondo Championships in Baku will be a key milestone in every athlete's journey to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. In this regard, I believe that the Taekwondo family will be treated to the highest levels of technical execution, dynamism and passion throughout the Championships.

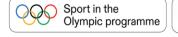
Thank you and I look forward to welcoming you in Baku.

Sincerely yours,

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6. COMPETITION RULES

The latest published WT Competition Rules & Interpretation shall be applied.

7. METHOD OF COMPETITION

- i. Single elimination system
- ii. Grade: G-14
- iii. Seeding and drawing of lots: For every weight category, regardless of number of athletes all the athletes will be seeded based on WT World Ranking of May. (May 1st).
- iv. Host Nation: Athlete from the host nation has not been seeded within the 4th place; he/she will be seeded at the 4th place.

8. CONTEST TIME

Best of 3 system [2 minutes x 2 (3) rounds with 1 minute break]

9. WEIGHT CATEGORIES

	Men's division	Women's division	
Under 54kg	Not exceeding 54kg	Under 46kg Not exceeding 46 kg	
Under 58kg	Over 54 kg & not exceeding 58 kg	Under 49kg	Over 46 kg & not exceeding 49 kg
Under 63kg	Over 58 kg & not exceeding 63 kg	Under 53kg	Over 49 kg & not exceeding 53 kg
Under 68kg	Over 63 kg & not exceeding 68 kg	Under 57kg	Over 53 kg & not exceeding 57 kg
Under 74kg	Over 68 kg & not exceeding 74 kg	Under 62kg	Over 57 kg & not exceeding 62 kg
Under 80kg	Over 74 kg & not exceeding 80 kg	Under 67kg	Over 62 kg & not exceeding 67 kg
Under 87kg	Over 80 kg & not exceeding 87 kg	Under 73kg	Over 67 kg & not exceeding 73 kg
Over 87kg	Over 87 kg	Over 73kg	Over 73 kg

10. CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATING TEAMS

 Round-trip Airfare and Accommodation Round trip airfare and accommodation charges of room and board shall be borne by the participating Member National Association.

11. WT GLOBAL LICENCE & ONLINE REGISTRATION

- WT Global License Registration All Athletes and Team officials must FIRST be registered with a WT Global Athlete License (GAL) or Global Official License (GOL).
- ii. WT Online Registration

National Team Entry will only be accepted through the WT online registration system and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global License. National Team GMS admins will be notified via email once online registration is open. All athletes and officials must be registered under team name "Country Name National Team", for example "Uzbekistan National Team"

12. ENTRY FEES

i. The OC shall collect the entry fees from the participating national teams. The national team shall pay an entry fee to the Organizing Committee via transfer or with cash in US\$ at the WT accreditation center(s) in Baku prior to the start of the Championships. Athletes shall not be allowed to compete without successful payment of entry fee to the Organizing Committee.





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<u>Early Bird DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEES</u>: A discount will be given to national teams that complete their registration during this period.

- \$75 USD per athlete
- Discounted entry fee period will begin on **February 22nd, 2023** 17:00 local time in Switzerland
- Discounted entry fee period will end on **March 15th, 2023**, 17:00 local time in Switzerland.

<u>REGULAR ENTRY FEES:</u> The national teams completing their registration during this period will be charged the regular registration fee.

- \$ 100 USD per athlete
- Regular entry fee period will begin on **March 15th, 2023**, 17:01 local time in Switzerland.
- Regular entry fee period will end on April 26th, 2023, 17:00 local time in Switzerland.

** At the close of regular registration of April 26th, 2023. if the Organizing Committee and the WT decide to implement an extension of the Registration Period, this will be advertised by an official communication and then the following late registration dates and fees will apply **

LATE REGISTRATION FEES: In case that a late registration period is required the national teams completing their registration during this period will be charged this fee.

- \$150 per athlete
- Late registration fee period would begin on **April 26th, 2023**, 17:01 local time in Switzerland.
- Late registration period will end (if implemented) on May 10th, 2023, 17:00 local time in Switzerland.

LATE REGISTRATION PERIOD ONLY APPLIES IF THE WT AND OC DECIDE TO IMPLEMENT THIS AND IF SO, THIS WILL BE INFORMED BY THE WT OR OC IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

13. ENTRY DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- i. <u>Entry deadline is April 26th, 2023, 17:00 local time in Switzerland</u>. Entry submissions after this date/time will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- ii. Late replacement due to injury shall be handled case by case.
- iii. The registered athletes or team officials may be replaced <u>without penalty until April 26th</u>, <u>2023</u>.
- iv. Entry fee of US\$100 per athlete will not be charged in case of cancellation of participation until <u>April 26th, 2023</u>.
- v. Entry fee must be paid in full in case of the notice of cancellation of participating athletes after <u>April 26th, 2023</u> or no-show.

Athletes: Member National Associations can submit entry for a maximum of eight (8) male and eight (8) female athletes. One (1) athlete per weight category. No additional athletes will be accepted. No reserve athlete is accepted. No entry will be accepted or modified at the accreditation center in Baku.



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Team officials: Member national association can register online for maximum one (1) Head of team per country, one (1) manager per team, four (4) coaches per team, three (3) team medical staffs per team, two (2) trainers per team and three (3) guests per country. In case of exceeding this number, **US\$100** will be charged per person before issuance of the accreditation card. **US\$100** will be charged per team official registered <u>onsite and per change made to the registered team</u>.

Any WT Global Licence registration completed onsite will be charged a \$50 extra onsite processing fee for each WT Global Licence.

14. CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS

i. Individual Awards

Medals will be awarded to the top four athletes in the respective weight category of the pertinent championships:

1 st PLACE:	GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE	
2 nd PLACE:	SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE	
3 rd PLACE:	BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE	
3 rd PLACE:	BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE	

All participated athletes will get ranking point. The points will be reflected on WT World Ranking and WT Olympic Ranking of June. The ranking points per winners of the championships shall be allocated as follows.

Position	Ranking Point
1st place	140.00
2nd place	84.00
3rd place	50.40
5th place	30.24
9th place	21.17
17th place	14.82
33rd place	10.37
65th place	7.26

ii. Team Awards

Based on the point system below, the top five (5) teams of the Men's division and the top five (5) teams of the Women's division will receive trophies:

- Basic one (1) point per each contestant who entered the competition area after passing the general weigh-in
- One (1) point per each win (win by a bye included)
- Additional one hundred and twenty (120) points per gold medal
- Additional fifty (50) points per silver medal
- Additional twenty (20) points per bronze medal

In case more than two (2) teams are tied in score, the rank shall be decided by 1) number of gold, silver and bronze medals won by the team in order, 2) number of participating contestants and 3) higher points in heavier weight categories.

Other prizes, such as the "Good Fighting Spirit Prize", "Active Participation Prize", MVPs and Best Referees and Best Coaches shall be awarded to selected teams and individuals.





15. TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY (MAXIMUM 37 MEMBERS)

DOSITION	MAX. NO. OF MEMBERS			
POSITION	MALE	FEMAI	.E	
HEAD OF TEAM:		1		
MANAGER:	1	1		
COACH:	4	4		
TRAINER:	2	2		
TEAM MEDICAL STAFF:	3	3		
CONTESTANTS:	8	8		
MNA Guest:		3		

16. INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

The WT will appoint total of seventy (70) International Referees. The appointed international referees shall officiate at the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships; the following conditions shall apply:

- i. International Referees are required to pay for their own round-trip airfares.
- ii. The Organizing Committee shall pay for the expenses for ten (10) nights' stay of room and board. Check-in: May 26, 15:00 hrs/ Check-out: June 5, 12:00 hrs
- iii. The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of US\$150 to the selected International Referees for competition period (total of seven days: US\$1050 per referee).

17. TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COMPETITION SUPERVISORY BOARD

The WT will appoint one (1) Technical Delegate and four (4) members of the Competition Supervisory Board. The following conditions shall apply:

- i. The Organizing Committee shall pay for the expenses for ten (10) nights' stay of room and board. Check-in: May 26, 15:00 hrs / Check-out: June 5, 12:00 hrs
- The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of US\$150 to the Technical Delegate and the members of the Competition Supervisory Board for competition period (total seven days: US\$1050 per person).

18. WT-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO COMPETITION UNIFORM AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- i. **KPNP** Protector and Scoring System (PSS) **including PSS Headgear** will be used for the Championships.
- Participating contestants are required to wear WT-recognized competition uniform and WT-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of WT recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT <u>http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-</u> wt/recognize.html
- 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 competition uniforms and protective equipment. <u>Any contestant who</u> <u>wears unofficial competition uniforms or protective equipment will not be permitted to</u> <u>compete.</u>
- v. The top has to cover completely the buttocks. However, the bottom of top should be more than 15cm above the knee cap.
- vi. Instant Video Replay (IVR) System will be used.
- vii. Wireless communication system between center referee and review jury will be used.





19. IDENTIFIATION OF NOC CODE AND MANUFACTURER

- i. National flag shall be located between 3 to 3.5cm below from the shoulder line of the right arm.
- NOC Code is a three-letter National Olympic Committee abbreviation, and <u>it must be</u> <u>printed at the back in black</u> and centered 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 identifications (name, designation trademark, logo or any distinctive sign of the manufacturer) shall be located one for the top within $30cm^2$ and between 3 to 3.5cm below the shoulder line of the left arm, one for bottoms or within $30cm^2$ located above the knee and center of the right leg, and one for Kyorugi belt within $6cm^2$ at the end of the belt.

20. SPONSOR'S IDENFICATION

- i. ONE sponsor's identification (logo) is allowed to each of competition uniform's top and bottoms.
- ii. The sponsor's identification shall be located within $50cm^2$ except the location of WT logo, manufacturer's identification, national flag, and NOC code.

21. 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 for selected medalists, while random tests will be conducted to the rest of the athletes. The WT and/or WADA may carry out random out of competition testing prior to the championships.
- iii. 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 submit TUE applications via ADAMS, together with the required medical information. If you do not have an ADAMS account yet, please contact tue@ita.sport to have it set up.

Otherwise, please download the TUE Application Form <u>HERE</u> and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to <u>tue@ita.sport</u> with copy to <u>antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org</u> by at least 30 days before the first competition day. For more details, please see the following page of the WT website: <u>http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti_doping-wt/therapeutic.html</u>

iv. WT Mouth guard, Taping and Bracing rules <u>http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/WT-Mouthguard-brace-</u> taping-and-padding-rules-5-29-2019.pdf

22. HEAD OF TEAM MEETING & DRAWING OF LOTS SESSION

- i. The head of team meeting shall be conducted two (2) days prior to the start of the 1st day of competition that is May 27, 2023, in the presence of the WT officials and the representatives of the participating nations.
- ii. At least one representative from each team must attend the head of team meeting. In case of no representative can be at the meeting, the team must designate a proxy and inform technical delegate or WT Sport & Event Management department before the meeting.
- iii. Drawing of lots will take place each day following the completion of General Weigh-in. Draw will be published on WT website within two hours after the Weigh-in.





23. WEIGH-IN

- i. General weigh-in of the contestants shall take place on the day before their respective weight category.
- ii. Random weigh-in of the contestants shall take place in the morning on the competition day of their respective weight category except M+87 & W+73.
- iii. Random weigh-in shall apply to following number of athletes with 5% allowance as below tables.

Number of contestants in weight category	Number (%) of random weigh-in contestants
More than 32	20%
17-32	6
9-16	4
4-8	2
Below 4	0

Weight Category	5% allowance	Weight Category	5% allowance
M-54	Not exceeding 56.7kg	W-46	Not exceeding 48.3kg
M-58	Not exceeding 60.9kg	W-49	Not exceeding 51.5kg
M-63	Not exceeding 66.2kg	W-53	Not exceeding 55.7kg
M-68	Not exceeding 71.4kg	W-57	Not exceeding 59.9kg
M-74	Not exceeding 77.7kg	W-62	Not exceeding 65.1kg
M-80	Not exceeding 84.0kg	W-67	Not exceeding 70.4kg
M-87	Not exceeding 91.4kg	W-73	Not exceeding 76.7kg

iv. 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.

24. 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 in the championships.
- iii. The Organizing Committee will acquire general Public Liability event insurance.

25. ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION

The participating teams are required to submit the hotel reservation only via the Azerbaijan Taekwondo Federation. Due to number of uprising demand of high season it is recommended to make booking and payment on time.

50% of total amount must be paid till April 15, 2023

Total amount must be paid till May 10, 2023

Teams booked hotels via federation will be provided transportation. It is to be noted that, taking into consideration security reasons only officially accredited vehicles have accesses to Crystal Hall. Other vehicles are allowed only to drop off and pick up nearest stop to the Crystal Hall (distance around 1 km 200 meter)



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Local transportation is also provided in Baku.

- i. Between all official hotels and the registration center
- ii. Daily transportation shuttle service between all official hotels and the competition venue on competition days
- iii. Daily transportation shuttle service between official hotels and training venues on training days prior to the event
- iv. Transportation shuttle service between official hotels and competition venue for athletes attending the weigh in
- v. Transportation shuttle service between official hotels and all meetings and hospitality venues are as follows:
 - Delegates attending the Head of Team meeting
 - Delegates attending the Welcome Reception

26. VISA INFORMATION

The Visa process for Azerbaijan is very simple. Participant team members can obtain visas through online. https://evisa.gov.az/en/

27. ATHLETE REPLACEMENT

In the event that the registered athletes should be replaced by another due to injuries, the Member National Association can officially request to the WT Sport & Event Management Department for the replacement by **no later than May 21, 2023** by submitting 'Athlete Late Replacement Form' together with certification from the medical doctor in the language of the pertinent country and also in English to <u>sport@worldtaekwondo.org</u>. The decision on the acceptance will be made after evaluation of the submitted documents.

28. COACH's REQUIREMENTS

All coaches are required to hold WT Coach Certificate Level II(2). Coaches those do not hold Level II coach certificate will be deleted from the registration and not allowed to coach at the Championships.

All coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), and trousers, and sport shoes during Semi-Finals and Finals. Any type of cap/hat is not allowed. If any coach refuses to wear abovementioned attire, he or she will not be allowed to coaching for this championship.

29. TEAM MEDICAL STAFF MEETING & WT MEDICINE CONFERENCE

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team medical staffs must attend medical meetings on May 27, 2022. The accreditation cards for medical staff will be distributed at the meeting.

30. COVID TESTS

(Depends on further development)





TIMETABLE

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Date	Time	Ev	ent			Place
May 24-28	0900-1800	Arrival and registration of the teams				HEYDAR ALIYEV INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
May 24-28	0900-1800	Regist	tration			HQ HILTON HOTEL
May 25-28	0900-2000	Team	training			CRYSTALL HALL
	1000-1800	Referees and Coa	ches Joint i	meeting		TBD
May 27	1000-1200	Head of Team Meet	ing & Draw	ing of Lots		TBD
May 27	1300-1500	Team Doct	Doctors Meeting			TBD
	TBD	WT 50 th Founding An	niversary S	Special Gala		HEYDAR ALIYEV CENTER
	0900-1200	WT Council Meeting			HQ HILTON HOTEL	
	1200-1400	Registration for WT General Assembly			TBD	
May 28	1400-1800	WT Genera	l Assembly	,		TBD
	1000-1800	Referee meetir	ng and trair	ning		CRYSTALL HALL
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-68	W-57		CRYSTALL HALL
	0900-1600	World Taekwon	do Confere	ence		TBD
	0800	Random weigh in	M-68	W-57		
	0900-1400	Preliminaries	M-68	W-57		
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-58	W-67	W-73	
May 29	1400-1500	Lunch Break			CRYSTALL HALL	
	1500-1630	Round of 16 and QF	M-68	W-57		
	1630-1830	Opening Ceremony				
	1830-2030	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M-68	W-57		
	0800	Random weigh in	M-58	W-67	W-73	
	0900-1400	Preliminaries	M-58	W-67	W-73	
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-80	M-87	W-49	
May 30	1400-1500	Lunch Break		CRYSTALL HALL		
	1500-1630	Round of 16 and QF	M-58	W-67	W-73	
	1630-1800	Sessio	n Break			
	1800-2030	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M-58	W-67	W-73	
	0800	Random weigh in	M-80	M-87	W-49	
	0900-1400	Preliminaries	M-80	M-87	W-49	
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-63	W+73		
May 31	1400-1500	Lunch	Break			CRYSTALL HALL
	1500-1630	Round of 16 and QF	M-80	M-87	W-49]
	1630-1800	Session	Break			
1800-2030 Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding M-80				M-87	W-49	
lung 01	0800	Random weigh in	M-63			
June 01	0900-1230	Preliminaries	M-63	W+73		CRYSTALL HALL



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	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-54	W-46	
	1230-1200		Break	VV- 4 0	
	1230-1400 1400-1530	Round of 16 and QF	M-63	W+73	
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	1530-1800		n Break		
	1800-2000	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M-63	W+73	
	0800	Random weigh in	M-54	W-46	
	0900-1230	Preliminaries	M-54	W-46	
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M-74	W-62	
June 02	1230-1400	Lunch	Break		CRYSTALL HALL
	1400-1530	Round of 16 and QF	M-54	W-46	
	1530-1800	Session	n Break		
	1800-2000	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M-54	W-46	
	0800	Random weigh in	M-74	W-62	
	0900-1230	Preliminaries	M-74	W-62	
	1000-1200	General Weigh-in	M+87	W-53	
June 03	1230-1400	Lunch Break		CRYSTALL HALL	
	1400-1530	Round of 16 and QF	M-74	W-62	
	1530-1800	Session Break			
	1800-2000	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M-74	W-62	
	0800	Random weigh in	W-53		
	0900-1230	Preliminaries	M+87	W-53	
	1230-1400	Lunch Break			
June 04	1400-1530	Round of 16 and QF	M+87	W-53	CRYSTALL HALL
	1530-1800	Session	n Break		
	1800-2000	Semi-finals, Finals & Awarding	M+87	W-53	
	2000	Farewe	ell Party		TBD
June 05		Departure o	of the team	าร	





ATHLETE LATE REPLACEMENT FORM

To: World Taekwondo

Email: sport@worldtaekwondo.org

NAME OF COMPETITION: World Taekwondo Championships Baku 2023 SUBSTITUED ATHLETE (to be removed from team list)

NAME OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION		
ATHELTE NAME (Family name in capital letter)		
GENDER		FEMALE
WT GAL Number		
Date of Birth (Day/ Month/ Year)		
Weight Category	КG	
Date and place of Injury		
Medical Condition		
Name of MNA President		
Signature of MNA President		

* A separate certificate by the medical doctor on the athlete's injury and medical condition should be attached in the language of the pertinent country and in English.

SUBSTITUTED ATHLETE (to be added to team list)

NATIONALITY		рното
ATHELTE NAME (Family name in capital letter)		
GENDER	FEMALE	
WT GAL Number		
DATE OF BIRTH (Day/ Month/ Year)		
COUNTRY OF BIRTH		
Weight Category	KG	
PASSPORT NUMBER		
KUKKIWON DAN CERTIFICATE NUMBER		

MNA PRESIDENT SIGNATURE & STAMP

^{*} IMPORTANT: This form will be accepted only if medical confirmation in writing in English from the responsible medical doctor is attached to this form after due evaluation of the WT.