

## *The President*

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Presidents and Secretaries General,  
World Taekwondo Member National Associations

### **ROMA 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND PRIX SERIES**

Dear beloved Taekwondo family,

On the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> Founding Anniversary of World Taekwondo, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the first Grand Prix Series of the year in Roma, Italy, on June 9-11, 2023.

The Roma Grand Prix has been a tradition for years in the World Taekwondo calendar. Over the years, it has been the benchmark of excellence and excitement, and through other activities organised by the Italian Taekwondo Federation for spectators and youth, it is also one of the most inclusive events.

The fact that it is closely organised right after the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships might be a challenge for some, but it will also show the mettle of true champions. Furthermore, ranking points for qualification for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games are up for grabs. It will be a truly memorable Grand Prix in Rome!

I wish to thank the Italian Taekwondo Federation under the leadership of President Angelo Cito, and the Comitato Olimpico Nazionale Italiano – CONI for your friendship and support over the years.

To all athletes, may the glory of Rome be upon you and I wish you all the best in your Road to Paris 2024.

Sincerely yours,

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## OUTLINE

### ROMA 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND-PRIX

- 1. PROMOTER: WORLD TAEKWONDO (WT)**
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**4. VENUE: Foro Italico, Rome, Italy**

**5. QUALIFICATIONS**

In accordance with *Article 4: Qualification of Contestant* of the WT Competition Rules, the contestant must be:

<b>CRITERION #1:</b>	Holder of the nationality of the participating team
<b>CRITERION #2:</b>	An athlete must be the one selected by the WT based on the WT Olympic Ranking published on April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2023 following 2023 Pan Am Series - Brazil. The pre-registration information shall be extended to the pertinent member national taekwondo association that is recognized by the World Taekwondo.
<b>CRITERION #3:</b>	Holder of the Kukkiwon Dan or Poom Certificate (* A copy of the Dan certificate should be uploaded to GMS when registering for the event. 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 uploaded to GMS when registering for the event. Please refer to the Kukkiwon Web site ( <a href="http://www.kukkiwon.or.kr">www.kukkiwon.or.kr</a> ) for more information.)
<b>CRITERION #4:</b>	<b><u>An athlete must be 17 years old or older.</u></b> An athlete who was born in the year of 2006 or before is eligible to participate in the competition.
<b>CRITERION #5:</b>	Holder of valid WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL). * Any questions on the WT GAL please contact your assigned WT GMS Manager

## 6. COMPETITION RULES

WT Competition Rules as of January 27, 2023 shall be applied.

## 7. METHOD OF COMPETITION

- i. Single elimination system
- ii. Grade: G-6
- iii. Number of athletes: Maximum 32 per weight category.
- iv. Selection of athletes: Top 31 athletes per Olympic weight category based on the WT Olympic ranking published for April 2023. The last event before release of April ranking will be the **2023 Pan Am Series - Brazil**.
- v. The Top 70 athletes per Olympic weight category based on WT Olympic Ranking will have the opportunity to pre-register but only the Top 31 pre-registered in GMS will be selected and confirmed via email from WT Sport & Event Management Department from **April 24<sup>th</sup>**. Those who registered but are not selected to participate will also be emailed.
- vi. Maximum quotas per MNA: 2 athletes per weight category
- vii. Host country: 1 athlete from the host country per Olympic weight category shall be additionally invited. 3 athletes per weight category can participate if 2 athletes are selected through ranking.
- viii. Seeding and drawing of lots: All ranked athletes based on April WT Olympic ranking shall be seeded accordingly. Host country quota athlete will be seeded 9<sup>th</sup> place, if there is no athlete from the host country seeded within the 9<sup>th</sup> place. In the occasion that the host country does not utilize host country place and has no athletes seeded within the 9<sup>th</sup> place, the following applies:
  - In case the host country has 2 athletes selected based on ranking, the host country shall decide which athlete to be seeded 9<sup>th</sup> place.
  - In case the host country has 1 athlete selected based on ranking, that athlete will be seeded 9<sup>th</sup> place.
- ix. **Confirmation timeline**
  - WT will send out the pre-registration information to the pertinent MNA on **April 6<sup>th</sup>**.
  - The MNA who received pre-registration information is required to pre-register athletes online through GMS within 2 weeks from the date of receipt of the pre-registration information. Once the MNA registers online in GMS, it cannot change the athlete(s) after **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 17:00 Swiss Local Time**.
  - WT may replace athlete no later than **May 31<sup>st</sup>**.
- x. **Penalty**
  - **If confirmed athlete does not participate in ROMA 2023 WT GP, he or she will not be allowed to participate in the next GP regardless of their WT Olympic ranking.**
  - All pre-registered athletes should apply entry visa for Italy in advance. No athlete will be excused for cancelling the registration due to visa except an athlete additionally selected as a replacement after **April 24<sup>th</sup>**, and the abovementioned penalty will be given to the athlete.
  - Any confirmed athletes who withdraws from participating for any reason including medical purposes within two(2) weeks from 00:00 Swiss time on the date of the head of team meeting (May 24<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup>) shall not be allowed to participate in the next Grand-Prix series, regardless his/her WT Olympic Rankings.

## 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 58kg	Not exceeding 58 kg	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

## 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

### i. WT Global Licence Registration

All athletes and team officials must FIRST be registered with a WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL) or Global Official Licence (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 Licence. 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

The entry fees from the participating national teams are collected online through the WT online registration system. The national team shall pay an entry fee online during the registration process. No cash will be accepted onsite.

**Note: "Please register your athletes who are in pre-registration list and pay online. If your athlete is not in the final list of selected athletes, then the entry fee will be refunded."**

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

**REGULAR ENTRY FEES:** The national teams completing their pre-registration during this period will be charged the regular registration fee.

- US \$100 per athlete.
- Regular entry fee period will begin on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- Regular entry fee period will end on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.

### **Following close of Pre-Registration Period:**

Following the end of the pre-registration on April 20<sup>th</sup>, the WT Sport & Event Management Department will review the online pre-registration list and will inform via email from April 24<sup>th</sup> those athletes that have been selected and also inform those that have not been selected.

## 13. ENTRY DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- Entry deadline for pre-registration period is **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 17:00 Local Swiss Time**. Entry submission after this date will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- Following the close of the pre-registration, the WT Sport & Event Management will send an email confirmation to all pre-registered National Team Admins to inform them if their pre-registration has been confirmed or declined. For those that are declined their pre-registration will be moved to the wait list.
- The pre-registered athletes or team officials may be replaced **without any penalty** until **April 20<sup>th</sup>**. Entry fee of US\$100 per athlete will be charged in case of cancellation of participation after **April 20<sup>th</sup>**.

**※ To pre-register, an athlete is required to be in the proper physical condition to compete in Roma 2023 WT GP. Any athlete who withdraws after the weigh-in will be subject to an investigation as to whether or not the withdrawal was in bad faith. (Bad faith includes, but is not limited to, having a prior illness or injury such that it was unreasonable to expect the athlete to be able to compete at the time of the weigh-in.) The burden will be on the athlete to demonstrate that the withdrawal was not in bad faith. In case of withdrawal, the athlete must be examined and verified by WT Medical Doctor. If the investigation panel determines that the withdrawal was in bad faith the athlete will**

**be suspended for up to 6 months, and the athlete and members of the athlete's entourage may be subject to an additional Ethics investigation.**

- Athletes: MNAs have to submit entry online by logging into the WT GMS for the top 70 athletes by the Olympic ranking. A MNA can send maximum 2 athletes per weight category in case athletes are selected through ranking. The host member national association is able to send 1 additional athlete per weight category meaning that a maximum of 3 athletes per weight category can participate if 2 athletes are selected through ranking.
- No additional athletes are accepted.
- No reserve athlete is accepted.
- No entry will be accepted or modified at the accreditation center(s) in Rome.
- Team officials: MNAs have to register online by logging in to the WT GMS for maximum one (1) head of team per country, one (1) manager per team, two (2) coaches per team, three (3) team medical staffs per team, two (2) trainers per team.
- MNA officials: three (3) MNA officials per country can be registered online by logging in to the WT GMS.
- Penalty: Penalty of US\$100 per person shall be paid to the Organizing Committee at the accreditation center in Rome in the following cases.
  1. Any team official who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Rome although the total number of team officials does not exceed the designated number.
  2. In case of exceeding designated number of MNA officials wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Rome or any MNA official who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Rome.
  3. Any changes or additions to team official after April 20<sup>th</sup>. This penalty will be considered the onsite fee for approved additions or changes to the national team list.
- **Any WT Global Licence registration completed onsite will be charged additional US\$50 onsite processing fee for each WT Global Licence required.**

**14. CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS**

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

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<b>1<sup>st</sup> PLACE:</b>	USD 5,000, GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> PLACE:</b>	USD 3,000, SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> PLACE:</b>	USD 1,000, BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
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All athletes will get ranking point. The points will be reflected on WT World Ranking and WT Olympic Ranking. The ranking points per winners of the competition shall be allocated as follows.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Ranking Point</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> place	60.0
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	36.0
3 <sup>rd</sup> places	21.6
5 <sup>th</sup> places	12.96
9 <sup>th</sup> places	9.07
17 <sup>th</sup> Places	6.35

#### 15. TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY (MAXIMUM 33 MEMBERS)

POSITION	MAX. NO. OF MEMBERS MALE	MAX. NO. OF MEMBERS FEMALE
HEAD OF TEAM:		1
MANAGER:	1	1
COACH:	2	2
TRAINER:	2	2
TEAM MEDICAL STAFF:	3	3
CONTESTANTS:	8	8

#### 16. WT-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO UNIFORM AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- i. **Daedo Protector and Scoring System (PSS) including PSS Headgear** will be used for the competition.
- ii. Participating contestants are required to wear **WT-recognized Kyorugi competition uniform** and WT-recognized protective equipment. **Wearing Dobok is not permitted.** The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT (<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-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, mouthguard, 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 uniform and protective equipment. **Any contestant who wears unofficial competition uniform or protective equipment will not be permitted to compete.**
- 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.

#### 17. IDENTIFICATION 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.
- ii. NOC Code is a three-letter National Olympic Committee abbreviation, and it **must** be printed at the back in black 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 of Kyorugi competition uniform within 30cm<sup>2</sup> and between 3 to 3.5cm below the shoulder line of the left arm, one for bottoms of Kyorugi competition uniform or within 30cm<sup>2</sup> located above the knee and center of the right leg, and one for Kyorugi belt within 6cm<sup>2</sup> at the end of the belt.

#### 18. SPONSOR'S IDENTIFICATION

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

**19. 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](mailto:tue@ita.sport) to have it set up. Otherwise, please download the TUE Application Form [HERE](#) and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to [tue@ita.sport](mailto:tue@ita.sport) with copy to [antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org](mailto:antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org). by at least 30 days before the first competition day. For more details, please see the following page of the WT website:  
[http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti\\_doping-wt/therapeutic.html](http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti_doping-wt/therapeutic.html)
- iv. WT Mouth guard, Taping and Bracing rules  
<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/WT-Mouthguard-brace-taping-and-padding-rules-5-29-2019.pdf>

**20. HEAD OF TEAM MEETING**

- i. The head of team meeting shall be conducted two (2) days prior to the start of the competition that is June 7<sup>th</sup>, 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 present at the meeting, the team must designate a proxy and inform Technical Delegate or WT Sport & Event Management before the meeting.

**21. 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+80 & W+67. All contestants in draw must be presented
- iii. Random weigh-in shall apply to 6 contestants per each weight category with 5% allowance as below table.

Weight Category	5% allowance	Weight Category	5% allowance
M-58	Not exceeding 60.9kg	W-49	Not exceeding 51.5kg
M-68	Not exceeding 71.4kg	W-57	Not exceeding 59.9kg
M-80	Not exceeding 84.0kg	W-67	Not exceeding 70.4kg

- 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 wish to do so.

**22. 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.

**23. ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION**

The participating teams are required to submit the hotel reservation only via the WT GMS registration system – [worldtkd.simplycompete.com](http://worldtkd.simplycompete.com) by no later than April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. No other registration method will be accepted. The hotel information is available on the WT GMS platform.

Please watch video below on HOW to register your team's accommodation and flight details (for transportation) [HERE](#).

Once you (your WT GMS National Team Admin) register your team's accommodation detail on the WT GMS you need to wait to receive an official invoice from Organizing Committee with the total amount to pay before paying the total to the bank account of OC.

#### **24. VISA INFORMATION**

The Organizing Committee can provide recommendation letters for visa applications. However, MNAs are required to check the Italy entry visa application waiting times in their own countries and submit requests for recommendation letters to the organizing committee. The Organizing Committee cannot guarantee entry into Italy and can only offer assistance. It is the responsibility of each athlete and MNA to apply for and secure the correct entry visa for Italy.

MNAs are requested to complete the attached visa application recommendation form at least one week before the waiting time deadline in their own country. Since there is no possibility to issue a Visa upon arrival in Italy, all visa requests should be addressed to [visa@romagrandprix.it](mailto:visa@romagrandprix.it) no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

#### **25. COACH'S REQUIREMENTS**

All coaches are required to hold WT Coach Certificate Level II(2). **Coaches who 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 ROMA 2023 WT GP as well as next GP.

#### **26. TEAM DOCTOR'S MEETING**

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team medical staff must attend team doctor's meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



## TIMETABLE

(Subject to Change)

Date	Time	Event	Place
June 5 -		Arrival	Hotel Sheraton
June 6-8	10:00 -18:00	Registration	Hotel Sheraton
June 6-11	09:00 -18:00	Team Training	Hotel Sheraton
June 7	11:00-12:00	Team Doctor's Meeting	Hotel Sheraton
	13:00-15:00	Head of Team Meeting	Hotel Sheraton
		Referee Training	Hotel Raddison
June 8	10:00 -18:00	Referee Training	Foro Italico
	10:00 -12:00	General weigh-in for W-57Kg, M-68Kg, M+80Kg	Hotel Sheraton
June 9	08:30	Random weigh-in for W-57Kg, M-68Kg	Foro Italico
	09:30-13:30	<b>Competitions W-57Kg, M-68Kg, M+80Kg</b>	Foro Italico
	10:00 -12:00	General weigh-in for W-67Kg, W+67Kg, M-58Kg	Foro Italico
	13:30 -14:30	Lunch break	Foro Italico
	14:30-17:30	<b>Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-57Kg, M-68Kg, M+80Kg</b>	Foro Italico
	17:30-18:30	Session break	Foro Italico
	18:30-21:30	<b>Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W-57Kg, M-68Kg, M+80Kg</b>	Foro Italico
June 10	08:00	Random weigh-in for W-67Kg, M-58Kg	Foro Italico
	09:00-13:00	<b>Competitions W-67Kg, W+67Kg, M-58Kg</b>	Foro Italico
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W-49kg, M-80kg	Foro Italico
	13:00 -14:00	Lunch break	Foro Italico
	14:00-16:30	<b>Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-67Kg, W+67Kg, M-58Kg</b>	Foro Italico
	16:30-17:30	Session break	Foro Italico
	17:30-20:30	<b>Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W-67Kg, W+67Kg, M-58Kg</b>	Foro Italico
June 11	12:30	Random weigh-in for W-49kg, M-80kg	Foro Italico
	13.30 - 18:30	<b>Competitions W-49kg, M-80kg</b>	Foro Italico
	18:30-20:00	Session break	Foro Italico
	20:00-22:00	<b>Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W-49kg, M-80kg</b>	Foro Italico
June 12		Departure	