

The President

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Presidents and Secretaries General,
World Taekwondo Member National Associations

MUJU TAEKWONDOWON 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND PRIX CHALLENGE

Dear Taekwondo family,

Following the success of the inaugural edition in 2022, I have the pleasure to invite you to Muju Taekwondowon for the 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge.

Taking place on July 15-17 this year, the Grand Prix Challenge will bring together athletes placed lower than 70th rank in the World Taekwondo Olympic ranking who aspire to achieve their dreams of stepping up onto the world stage. I would like to highlight some of the exemplary successes of the inaugural Grand Prix Challenge who rose to stardom from Muju:

Name	GP Challenge 2022	Success
Guo Qing	Silver (W-49kg)	Silver in Guadalajara World Championships Bronze in Manchester Grand Prix
Xu Lei	Gold (W+67kg)	Bronze in Manchester Grand Prix
Doyun Kwon	Bronze (M-68kg)	Gold in Guadalajara World Championships
Tae-joon Park	Gold (M-58kg)	Gold in Manchester Grand Prix
Geon-woo Seo	Gold (M-80kg)	Gold in Manchester Grand Prix Silver in Riyadh Grand Prix
Namgoong Hwan	Silver (M-80kg)	Bronze in Manchester Grand Prix

The World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge has been proven to be an ideal platform for rising stars to launch their careers. In this regard, I look forward to your active participation in the 2023 edition of the World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge in Muju Taekwondowon.

I wish to thank Muju-gun Municipal Council and the Taekwondo Promotion Foundation for hosting this meaningful event and for giving the athletes a chance to shine.

Sincerely yours,

Chungwon Choue
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President



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Muju Taekwondowon 2023 World Taekwondo
Grand-Prix Challenge
(July 15-17, 2023) / Muju, Korea
Official Outline



Dear Taekwondo family,

Following last year, it's our great pleasure to invite you to 「Muju Taekwondowon 2023 Grand-Prix Challenge」 .

Grand-Prix Challenge which was first held at Muju Taekwondowon last year, produced numerous rising stars. These athletes brought amazing results again with brilliant performance at World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series.

Dreamers who are eager to be the future Champions should visit Muju Taekwondowon, the sacred land of Taekwondo in July this year.

Taekwondo Promotion Foundation(TPF) will support you to improve yourself further and to step forward to the worldwide stage.

Make a Challenge! Make a Change!

Yours Sincerely,

Eung-hwan Oh

Chairperson
Taekwondo Promotion Foundation

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS ONLY THE OUTLINE AND NOT AN INVITATION TO THE MUJU TAEKWONDOWON 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND PRIX CHALLENGE

OUTLINE

**MUJU TAEKWONDOWON 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO
GRAND PRIX CHALLENGE**

Event Date : July 15 -17, 2023

1. PROMOTER: WORLD TAEKWONDO (WT)

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WEB-SITE: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org>

2. ORGANIZING MNA: Korea Taekwondo Association

ADDRESS: 05540, Velodrome 101, 424, Olympic-ro, Songpa-gu, Seoul, Korea
TELEPHONE: +82 2 420 4271
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3. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: Taekwondo Promotion Foundation

ADDRESS: 1482 Museol-ro, Seolcheon-myeon, Muju-gun, Jeollabuk-do Korea
TELEPHONE: +82 63 320 0353/0341
E-MAIL: mujuchallenge@tpf.or.kr
WEB-Site <http://mujuchallenge.tpf.or.kr/base/main/view>

4. VENUE: Taekwondowon 1482 Museol-ro, Seolcheon-myeon, Muju-gun, Jeollabuk-do 55547 Korea

5. QUALIFICATIONS

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

CRITERION #1:	Any athlete who ranks below 70 th (<i>Not including 70th</i>) or is not ranked in the WT Olympic Ranking published on May 1 st , 2023 following the Burkina Faso Open is eligible to participate in the competition. However, if there are more than 32 registered athletes (<i>including one quota from the host country</i>) in each weight category, it will be decided in the order of ranking. In case of tie in the WT Olympic Ranking or non-ranked athletes with more than 32 athletes are pre-registered in each weight category, the TOP 31 athletes will be decided in the order of online registration on GMS.
CRITERION #2:	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

CRITERION #3:	certificate sent to the Kukkiwon must be uploaded to GMS when registering for the event. Please refer to the Kukkiwon Web site (www.kukkiwon.or.kr) for more information.) An athlete must be 17 years old or older. An athlete who was born in the year of 2006 or before is eligible to participate in the competition.
CRITERION #4:	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-1
- iii. Number of athletes: Maximum 32 athletes per weight category without exceeding maximum quota per nation.
- iv. Pre-registration: Any athlete who is ranked below 70th (*Not including 70th – 71, 72, 73, ...*) or is not ranked in the WT Olympic Ranking is eligible to participate in the competition. The ranking will be based on the WT Olympic ranking published for May 1st, 2023 following the Burkina Faso Open.
- v. Host country: 1 athlete from the host country per Olympic weight category shall be additionally invited. Maximum quota for the host country is 4 athletes.
- vi. Maximum quotas per Nationality: 3 athletes per weight category, except Host Country (4)
- vii. Seeding and drawing of lots: All ranked athletes based on May WT Olympic ranking shall be seeded accordingly except athletes of host country place shall receive no. 9 seed (in case of athlete from host country does not receive no. 8 or higher seed)
- viii. Ticket to WT Grand Prix Series: 1st and 2nd Placed athletes (Gold Medalist and Silver Medalist) will be awarded ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix. Maximum ticket to WT Grand Prix is limited to one(1) per nation in each weight category.
- ix. Confirmation timeline
 - The MNA is required to pre-register athlete(s) who ranks below 70th in the WT Olympic Ranking through GMS within **3 weeks (May 25th)** from the date of announcement of the May WT Olympic Ranking. Once the MNA registers online in GMS, it cannot change the athlete(s) after the pre-registration deadline.
 - The selected athletes in each category will be posted from **June 1st** at the WT website GP Challenge notice section. Athletes who are not selected will be automatically excluded from the GMS registration. In case of a withdrawal, WT may reallocate this place to the next highest ranked athlete among the pre-registered athletes in the respective weight category by July 6th 2023.
- x. Penalty
 - All pre-registered athletes should apply entry visa for Korea in advance. No athlete will be excused for cancelling the registration due to visa except athletes additionally selected as a replacement after June 9th 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 (June 29th to July 13th) shall not be allowed to participate in the next GP challenge, regardless of his/her WT Olympic Rankings.

8. CONTEST TIME

Best of 3 System (2minute, 3 rounds and 1minute 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 charges of room and board shall be borne by the participating athlete or Member National Association.

11. WT GLOBAL LICENCE & ONLINE REGISTRATION

- i. 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
- iii. Entry will only be accepted through the WT online registration system and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global Licence. 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", for example **"Uzbekistan National Team" or "Uzbekistan team"**

12. ENTRY FEES

The OC shall collect the entry fees from the participating national teams. The national team shall pay an entry fee to the Organizing Committee by cash in US\$ only at the WT Registration Center in Muju, Korea prior to the start of the competition. Athletes shall not be allowed to compete without successful payment of entry fee to the Organizing Committee. Those athletes that cancel due to medical reasons and authorized by WT Medical Chair, shall not be charged entry fee.

REGULAR ENTRY FEES: The 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 May 4th, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- Regular entry fee period will end on May 25th, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.

Following close of Pre-Registration Period:

Following the end of the pre-registration on **May 25th**, the WT Sport & Event Management Department will review the online pre-registration list and the **FINAL TOP 31 athletes** in each category ***will be posted on the WT website GP Challenge notice section*** from **June 1st**

13. ENTRY DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- i. Entry deadline for pre-registration period is **May 25th, 17:00 Local Swiss Time**. Entry submission after this date will be not accepted under any circumstances.
- ii. Following the end of the pre-registration on **May 25th**, the WT Sport & Event Management Department will review the online pre-registration list and the **FINAL TOP 31 athletes** in each category will be posted on-the WT website GP Challenge notice section from **June 1st**. ***Athletes who are not selected within FINAL TOP 31 athletes will be automatically excluded from the GMS registration.***
- iii. The pre-registered athletes or team officials may be replaced **without any penalty** until **May 25th**. Entry fee of US\$100 per athlete will be charged in case of cancellation of participation after **May 25th**.

- **Athletes:** MNAs have to submit entry online by logging into the WT GMS for athlete(s) who ranks below 70th (*Not including 70th*) in the WT Olympic Ranking. A MNA can send a maximum 3 athletes per weight category. The host country is able to send 1 additional athlete per weight category meaning that a maximum of 4 athletes per weight category can participate. No entry will be accepted or modified at the accreditation center(s) in Muju.
- **Team officials:** MNAs have to register online by logging in to the WT GMS (Refer to 15. Team Entries per country)
- **Penalty:** Penalty of US\$100 per person shall be paid to the Organizing Committee at the accreditation center in Muju in the following cases.
 1. Any team official who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Muju 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 Muju or any MNA official who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Muju.
 3. Any changes or additions to team official after May 25th. This penalty will be considered the onsite fee for approved additions or changes to the national team list.
- **Any WT Global License registration completed onsite will be charged a US\$50 onsite processing fee for each WT Global License required.**

14. CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS

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

1st PLACE: GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE & **Ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix**

2nd PLACE: SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE & **Ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix**

3rd PLACE: BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

* * Maximum ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix is one(1) per nation. In case 1st and 2nd placed athletes are from same nation, the ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix is granted to the next highest placed athlete.

Only for allocation of ticket to Taiyuan 2023 WT Grand Prix purpose, athletes ranking within Muju Taekwondowon 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge shall be allocated as follows.

Position	Remark
1 st place	Gold Medalist
2 nd place	Silver Medalist
3 rd place	Winner of Bronze Medal Contest
4 th place	Loser of Bronze Medal Contest
5 th place	Loser to 1 st placed athlete at Quarter-Final
6 th place	Loser to 2 nd Placed athlete at Quarter-Final
7 th place	Loser to 3 rd Placed athlete at Quarter-Final
8 th Place	Loser to 4 th Placed athlete at Quarter-Final

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.

Position	Ranking Point
1 st place	10.0
2 nd place	6.00
3 rd place	3.60
5 th places	2.16
9 th places	1.51
17 th places	1.06
33 rd Places	0.74
65 th Places	0.52

15. TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY

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	12	12

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. 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, 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 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 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 identifications (name, designation trademark, logo or any distinctive sign of the manufacturer) shall be located one for the top of Kyorugi competition uniform within 30cm² and between 3 to 3.5cm below the shoulder line of the left arm, one for bottoms of Kyorugi competition uniform within 30cm² located above the knee and center of the right leg, and one for Kyorugi belt within 6cm² 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 50cm² 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 all medalists as well as random selection basis. The WT and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the competition.
- 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 [HERE](#) and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to tue@ita.sport with copy to 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
- iv. WT Mouth guard, Taping and Bracing rules
http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/viewer_pdf/external/pdfjs-2.1.266-dist/web/viewer.html?file=http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/att_file/documents/WT-Mouthguard-brace-taping-and-padding-rules_FINAL_Feb-10-2020.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 July 13th, 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.

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
- iii. weight category except M+80 & W+67. All contestants in draw must be presented
- iv. 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
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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 84kg	W-67	Not exceeding 70.4kg

- v. 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. All participants shall be responsible for own 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 by no later than June 15th, 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.

Cancellation policy:

- 10% payment will be charged if cancelled from 7-9 days prior to the first day of stay
- 30% payment will be charged if cancelled from 5-6 days prior to the first day of stay
- 50% payment will be charged if cancelled from 3-4 days prior to the first day of stay
- 80% payment will be charged if cancelled from between 2 days prior and the first day of stay

24. VISA INFORMATION

The Organizing Committee can provide recommendation letters for visa applications.

However, MNAs are required to check the Korea 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 the Korea and can only offer assistance. It is the responsibility of each athlete and MNA to apply for and secure the correct entry visa for Korea.

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 Visa upon arrival in Korea all visa requests should be addressed to: mujuchallenge@tpf.or.kr no later than June 15th, 2023. Guidelines on quarantine and prevention of diseases will be updated in accordance with decision of Korean government and Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency at the times of Event.

25. COACH'S REQUIREMENTS

All coaches are required to hold WT Coach Certificate Level I (1). Coaches those do not hold Level I coach certificate will be deleted from the registration and not allowed to coach.

All coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), trousers, and sport shoes during Semi-Finals and Finals. If any coach refuses to wear abovementioned attire, he or she will not be allowed to coach for Muju Taekwondowon 2023 World Taekwondo GP Challenge as well as next GP Challenge.

26. TEAM DOCTOR'S MEETING

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team medical staff must attend team doctor's meeting on July 13th, 2023.

※ Attachment

1. Timetable

TIMETABLE

(Subject to Change)

Date	Time	Event	Place
July 11 - 12	10:00 -18:00	Team Arrival & Registration	
	09:00-18:00	Team Training	
July 13	11:00-12:00	Team Doctors Meeting	
	13:00-15:00	Head of Team Meeting	
July 14	10:00-12:00	Referee Training – Morning Session	T1 Arena
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W-49Kg, W-57kg, M-58Kg	T1 Arena
	14:00-18:00	Referee Training – Afternoon Session	T1 Arena
July 15	08:00	Random weigh-in for W-49Kg, W-57kg, M-58Kg	T1 Arena
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W-67kg, M-68Kg, M-80kg	T1 Arena
	09:00-12:00	Round of 32 competitions W-49Kg, W-57kg, M-58Kg	T1 Arena
	12:00-13:00	Lunch break	
	13:00-15:00	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-49Kg, W-57kg, M-58Kg	T1 Arena
	15:00-16:00	Session break	
July 16	16:00-18:00	Semi-finals, Bronze medal contest & Finals W-49Kg, W-57kg, M-58Kg	T1 Arena
	08:00	Random weigh-in for W-67kg, M-68Kg, M-80kg	T1 Arena
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W+67kg, M+80kg	T1 Arena
	09:00-12:00	Round of 32 competitions W-67kg, M-68Kg, M-80kg	T1 Arena
	12:00-13:00	Lunch break	
	13:00-15:00	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-67kg, M-68Kg, M-80kg	T1 Arena
	15:00-16:00	Session break	
16:00-18:00	Semi-finals, Bronze medal contests, finals and Victory Ceremonies W-67kg, M-68Kg, M-80kg	T1 Arena	
July 17	09:00-11:00	Round of 32 competitions W+67kg, M+80kg	T1 Arena
	11:00 -12:00	Lunch break	
	12:00-14:00	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W+67kg, M+80kg	T1 Arena
	15:00-16:00	Session Break	
	16:00-18:00	Semi-Finals, Bronze medal contest, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W+67kg, M+80kg	T1 Arena
July 18		Departure	