



ALBANIAN OPEN 2023

30rd September – 1st October, 2023 *Tirana, Albania*



INVITATION LETTER

Dear Friends.
Dear Taekwondo Family.

We are pleased and honored to invite you and your athletes to participate in the

ALBANIAN OPEN 2023

WT — G1 INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT 30rd September – 1st October, 2023

We are committed to make this event a successful one. We adhere to the highest standards of preparation in order to create an ideal atmosphere for all participating teams.

We ensure you that there will be a fair play and maximum transparency.

We hope you have a wonderful stay in Albania and the charming city of Tirana, and that you enjoy your time together with all the other members of the Taekwondo family.

We are looking forward to receiving your confirmation of participation for this event no later than September 25th 2023.

We truly hope that we can welcome you to participate in "Albanian Open G1 2023" International Taekwondo Tournament and wish you and your team a lot of success at this championship.

8incerely Yours,

Organizing Committee

The Club: "Taekwondo Center" & "Top Gym Sport"



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PROMOTER:

World Taekwondo - WT European Taekwondo Union - ETU Albanian Taekwondo Federation - ATF

ORGANIZER:

Taekwondo Club "Top Gym Sport" & 'Taekwondo Center"

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SANCTIONED BY:

WORLD RANKING IS APPLIABLE Senior: G1

EUROPEAN RANKING

European Ranking is applicable at the Albanian Open E1

Juniors: E1 Cadets: E1

VENUE:

Tirana Olympic Park "Feti Borova",

Liman Kaba Street, 1001, Tirana, Albania

REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION:

29 September 2023 (Friday): 10:00 - 13:00 & 14:00 - 18:00 - Registration (for Junior,

Cadet, Senior)

29 September 2023 (Friday): 14:00 – 18:00 – Weigh-in only for Junior, Cadet Athletes

MAK Hotel Tirana

30 September 2023 (Saturday): 10:00 – 11:30 Registration (Senior)

<u>30 September 2023 (Saturday)</u>: 10:00 – 12:00 – Weigh-in for athletes competing on '1st October (Sunday)

Tirana Olympic Park "Feti Borova",

RANDOM WEIGH - IN

All selected athletes must be present at 08:00 hrs sharp. The names of the athletes selected for the Random weigh-in will be published at 07:00 hrs on the competition day on the following (social) media platforms:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/albanian.open

WEB: https://albanianopen.com/

DRAW SHEET PUBLICATION:

The draw sheets and brackets will be daily published, one (1) day before the start of competition at 18:00 hrs on the following (social) media platforms:

Web: www.albanianopen.com

Web: tpss.eu

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/albanian.open

Instagram: albanian_open

SEEDING:

Junior divisions: All athletes will be seeded according to the European ranking as per August 2023(published in September 2023)

Cadet divisions: All athletes will be seeded according to the Europeanranking as per August

2023 (published in September 2023)

Senior divisions: All athletes will be seeded according to the World ranking as per August 2023 (published in September 2023)

COACH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Minimum age of 18 years.
- 2. WT Coach Certificate Level I or above is required.
- 3. Holder of a valid 2023 WT Global Official License.
- 4. Coach is not allowed wearing Dobok.
- 5. One (1) coach per five (5) athletes is allowed. Exceeding this ratio is subject to an extra fee.
- 6. A formal outfit (suit/dress) is mandatory for semi-finals and finals.

Please be aware that trainers cannot assume a coaching position and have no access to the Field of Play.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

23:59 CEST on 25th of September 2023 **Online**

REGISTRATION:

https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com

ENTRY FEE AND PAYMENT:

Regular entry fee: 100 euro per registered individual athlete After 05th

September: 125 euro per registered individual athlete Cash at site: 145 euro per

registered individual athlete

All entry fees must be paid no later than 25th September 2023 to the following bank account:

Recipient: SHOQATA TOP GYM SPORT

Name of Bank: CREDINS BANK (RRUGA "VASO PASHA")
IBAN: AL21 2121 1009 0000 0000 0075 4927

SWIFT: CDISALTRXXX

Reason for payment: Country + Team name + Albanian Open 2023

NOTE: ALL PAYMENTS BY BANK TRANSFER HAVE TO BE DONE WITHOUT ANYDEDUCTION OF EXPENSES! ANY COSTS OF THE BANK TRANSFER WILL BE CHARGED TO PARTICIPATING TEAM.

A COPY OF THE BANK TRANSFER MUST BE SENT TO:

E-Mail: office@albanianopen.com

Applications without a copy of the transfer are invalid.

ACCREDITATION CARD DISTRIBUTION:

Application is only valid when payment has been done to the bank account at the same time of registration and when payments of all entry fees have been received 3 days after registration. If payment has not been received in due time those registered athletes will be removed from the online registration again.

On-site Change of medal event (weight division) and/or other modifications 50 euro for each amendment, payable at the registration desk. All changes after the registration deadline shall be done on-site.

Protest fee 200 euro

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, 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). If a team does not show up at the event and has not requested a participation cancellation before the deadline, it will be requested to settle the payment of the entry fees in full (100%).

COMPETITION RULES:

The last WT Competition rules will be apply

PROTECTOR AND SCORING SYSTEM:

WT approved PSS (Daedo Generation 2) will be used.

The Organizing Committee will provide Protector and Scoring System (PSS) and the head protector to the participating contestants. Participating contestants are required to bring their own groin guards, mouthpieces, gloves, sensor socks, shin and forearm guards for their personal use. All competitors must use WT-approved equipment.

Instant Video Replay will be used for all courts.

Conditions of participation

Proof of membership by valid national Federation passport with WTE/WT membership. All contestants have to proof their age and nationality by presenting national ID or passport at weigh-in. Those who are not recognized as adults by law in their own country must submit a passport or identification card together with a written consent (liability declaration) of their parents or lawful guardian accepting the participation and all parts of the official invitation. All participants require a **WT Global License** (GAL – Global Athlete License or GOL – Global Official License) and must be a member of a National Taekwondo Federation affiliated to the WT. This membership must be proved at registration by providing a valid WT Global License. Onsite registration for WT Global License is not possible. Registration must be done in advance. The WT License must be valid or renewed for 2023. Entry fees are obligated at all times. All participants of the Albanian Open 2023 (officials & contestants) are responsible that they are registered and approved through their respective WT Member National Association at least 1 month before the tournament it is required for.

METHOD OF COMPETITION:

Single elimination tournament according to WT Competition Rules.

AGE ELIGIBILITY:

- Senior: born in 2006 and older (WT G1 ranking)
- Juniors: born in 2006, 2007 and 2008 (E1 ranking)
- Cadets: born in 2009, 2010 and 2011 (E1 ranking)

CATEGORIES:

Senior Male: -54kg, -58kg, -63kg, -68kg, -74kg, -80kg, -87kg, +87kg; **Senior Female:** -46kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -62kg, -67kg, -73kg; +73kg;

Juniors Male: -45kg, -48kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, -73kg, -78kg, +78kg; Junior Female: -42kg, -44kg, -46kg, -49kg, -52kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, +68 kg; Cadets Male: -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -45kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -61kg, -65kg, +65kg; Cadets Female: -29kg, -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -44kg, -47kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, +59 kg;

GRADUATION:

- Cadets must hold at least 6th Gup;
- Juniors must hold at least 2nd Gup.
- Senior must hold at least 2nd Gup.

MATCH DURATION:

- Cadets: 3 x 1.5 min (30 sek. break);
- Juniors: 3 x 1.5 min (30 sek. break);
- Senior: 3 x 2 min (60 sek. break);

The contests duration is subject to change by the Organizing Committee.

SEEDING:

Upon decision of WTE Technical Delegate, seeding will be either 100% or 25% seeding based on the WT Ranking List as per 31st August 2023

Recognized brands

Recognized brands Participating contestants are required to wear WT recognized doboks, belts and WTrecognized protective equipment. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT: http://www.worldtae-kwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/

Liability

All competitors participate at their own risk. The online registration implies that the competitors agree to assume all responsibility for themselves and to release all other parties from any and all liability which may directly or indirectly result. The organizer is in no way responsible for any damage caused to a person or their belongings.

Awards

Medals for the places 1 to 3 individual results.

1 st place – gold medal and certificate

2 nd place – silver medal and certificate

3 rd. place – bronze medal and certificate

3 rd place - bronze medal and certificate

Team cups will be awarded to the three best teams in each division. The team ranking is based on according the new rules of WT.

Coaches

For every five contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of four coaches. Every additional coach above the maximum allowed number should pay 30 euro admission. Coaches can enter the competition area only with proper sport shoes and proper tracksuit. Before weigh-in all coaches must have the Special ID-Cards for their teams. Weigh-in and entry to the sports hall only with Special ID-Cards. Special ID-Cards for all competitors and coaches. The following accreditations will be provided to team member on request to the OC:

Role	Male Team	Female Team
MNA Official	1	
Head of Team	1	
Manager	1	
Coach	1	1
Team Doctor	1	1

The trainers will not be allowed to the competition area

To register a Doctor – Proof of Medical Doctor/Physio therapist certificate in English.

Protest

Only the official coach is allowed to protest, immediately after the end of the contest. An amount of \in 100 (Euro) will have to be paid for each protest. The decision of the referee chairman is final.

Referees

All referees will be contacted and invited by the Referee Committee. Hotel and Full board accommodation will be provided for the International referees from 29th September until 2nd October 2023.

For information: vbekteshi@outlook.com

Applicable doping rules

The WT Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA Anti-Doping Code are applicable. Compulsory random doping tests will be conducted among the all athletes. World Taekwondo and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the event. Therefore, all participating contestants are required to submit their latest and most accurate Athlete Location (WhereaboutsInfo) Forms to WT.

Therapeutic Use Exemption

Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WT Anti-Doping Rules and WADA Anti-Doping Code for therapeutic purposes are requested to visit the website of WADA and make online filing of their TUE applications on ADAMS. Report TUE applications also to the WT Sport Department via marcoienna@worldtaekwondo.org.

ADAMS login

For ADAMS login, please contact National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) in your country or WT Sport Department at marcoienna@worldtaekwondo.org
For more details, please visit

http://www.wada-ama.org/en/ADAMS/

http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/medical-antidoping/anti-

doping/therapeutic-use-exemptions-tues/

Some contestants chosen at random will be tested.

MEDIA AND PRESS:

Media accreditation

Registered media and press officials or official photographers are entitled to receive a media and press accreditation card. For more information please contact Albanian Open G1 at office@albanianopen.com

Photo positions

All accredited photographers are only allowed to use the designated photo positions while working in the Field of Play. By accepting a media and press accreditation, the accredited person agrees to follow at all times the instructions of the Albanian Open G1 and Press officer.

COVID-19 OUTBREAK:

General

The OC cannot predict the developments in the next comings months with regard to the Corona COVID-19 outbreak in Europe. The teams have to bear in mind that due to the uncertain nature of the Corona COVID-19 outbreak and sole authority of each government on how to respond, restrictions to access the Host country may be applicable.

It is the responsibility of each and every participating team to make sure they meet all entry requirements in order to enter the Host country and to monitor the Albanian policy with regard to entry policies.

Sufficient insurance

The teams are strongly urged and advised to make sure to have their own sufficient travel, cancellation and medical insurance.

Liability

In this respect, please be informed that the OC shall not and cannot be held liable for any expenses and costs incurred by the teams for travelling to the event in case of cancellation of the event due to (further) outbreak of the Corona COVID-19 virus in the Host Country. The teams are strongly urged and advised to make sure to have their own sufficient travel, cancellation and medical insurance. The OC shall not accept any claims or requests for compensation in case of cancellation of the event.

HASH TAGS & SOCIAL MEDIA:

Hash tags:

Albanian Open uses the following hash tags:

#Albanian_Open_G1

#Albanian_Open_E1

#Kickyourtarget

Social media platforms:

Albanian Open 2023 is present at the following

Social media platforms: Facebook:

@AlbanianopenG1Instagram: @Albanian_open

YouTube Channel: Albanian Open

VISA:

All teams who require a visa invitation should send Appendix – Visa Detail Form to the OC (office@albanianopen.com).

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, WTE, 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 "Albanian Open G1" or any activities linked therewith.

It is the responsibility of each registered team to ensure and guarantee that sufficient insurance coverage has been arranged for all athletes, team officials and other participants. 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 25 September 2023 . Each participant (athletes, team officials, etc.) has to fill out the indemnification form

MEDICAL INSURANCE:

All participating athletes, coaches and team officials shall have mandatory a medical insurance that covers medical care and in case of emergency repatriation to home country. All relevant documents proving that such an insurance is present, including insurance policy papers, shouldbe taken to the event in case a medical situation occurs

ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION:

The Organizer has negotiated preferential prices for several suitable hotels (below).

(Hotel information up soon, still negotiating)

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EVENT SCHEDULE

		EVENT	LOCATION	
	10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 18:00	Registration and Accomodation		
29 September	14:00 – 18:00	Weigh-in for Cadet, Junior competing	MAK Hotel Tirana	
	23:00	Publication of drawsheets Compettion Day 1		
	07:00	Random Weigh-in lists		
		Publication Tirana Olympic Park		
	07:30-08:30	Random Weigh-in	"Feti Borova"	
	09:00	Start of matches		
	14:00 - 15:00	Lunch Break with rotation		
	10:00 - 13:00	Registration – Accomodation/	MAK Hotel Tirana	
30 September	14:00 - 17:00	Senior		
	14:00 – 18:00	Weight in : Senior		
	19:00 – 20:00	Final and Medal Ceremony		
		Cadet/ Junior	Tirana Olympic Park "Feti Borova"	
	22:00	Publication of drawsheets		
		Competion Day 1		
	07:00	Random Weigh-in Select/ Senior		
01 October	07:30-08:30	Random Weigh-in/ Senior		
	09:00	Start of matches	Tirana Olympic Park "Feti Borova"	
	14:00 – 15:00	Lunch Break with rotation		
	19:00 – 20:00	Pening Ceremony		
		Finals		
		Award Ceremony		
02 October	-	Departure of teams		

PERSONAL INDEMNIFICATION FORM

executed this on:
(insert date of signing).
I, the undersigned, certify that I will indemnify, hold harmless and release the Taekwondo Europe, World Taekwondo, the Albanian Taekwondo Federation 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 "Indemnitee" 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 Indemnitee as a direct or indirect result of participating in the Albanian Open G1 2023 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: office@albanianopen.com



LIABILITY DECLARATION

(only for under aged athletes)

y name:	
ive in:	
m the parent/guardian of:	
ate of birth (competitor):/	
leclare that I accept the participation ofat the banian Open G1 2023 on 30 September – 1 October 2023 and that I accept all parts of the ficial invitation of this tournament.	_
or physical reasons nothing speaks against a participation of the aforementioned athlete and inderstand that all competitors are considered to participate at their own risk. Taekwond irope, World Taekwondo, the Albanian Taekwondo Federation and the Organizing Committe sume no responsibility for any damages, injuries or losses. All athletes must bring their ow ocuments and the forms or any medical insurance in Albania.	lo ee
ace:Date:	
gnature of the parents/legal guardian:	

Please, send this form to e-mail: office@albanianopen.com



VISA REQUEST FORM

Important:

Please fill out this form and send it to: office@albanianopen.com along with **passport copies** of all visa applicants and **Simply Compete Registration Summary**, to receive an invitation letter.

VISA APPLICATION:
e-mail of EMBASSY:
Insert name of country:
Family name as shown in passport:
Given name as shown in passport
Date of birth:
Nationality:
Passport no.:
Passport date of issue:
Passport expiration date:
Name of the team:
Signature of the President:
Stamp of the club/team:

Please fill out and send this form to the Organizing Committee by **E-mail no later than 10 September 2023**.

Our partners:

















