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INTERNATIONAL OPEN

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Dear Esteemed Members of the Taekwondo Family,

It is with great excitement and pride that we welcome you to the 6th Qatar Taekwondo Open Championships, to be held once again in the dynamic city of Doha. Over the years, Qatar has continued to grow as a global hub for sports, driven by a commitment to excellence, unity, and opportunity for all.

Our organizing committee has been working tirelessly to ensure this year's event exceeds expectations—bringing together top-level athletes, coaches, and officials in a spirit of competition, respect, and camaraderie. Doha, with its world-class facilities and warm hospitality, stands ready to receive the taekwondo family from around the globe.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Dr. Chungwon Choue, President of World Taekwondo, and to the Asian Taekwondo Union under the leadership of Mr, Kim Sang - Jin for their ongoing support and guidance. Their contributions continue to strengthen our sport and inspire all those involved.

To every athlete and coach participating this year: we wish you the very best of luck. Let this championship be not only a pursuit of medals, but also a celebration of taekwondo values—where discipline, honor, and friendship take center stage. Let us remember always that “Peace is more precious than triumph.”

On behalf of the Qatar Taekwondo, Judo, and Karate Federation, I wish you a memorable, successful, and enjoyable stay in Doha.

Eid Ali Al-Muraikhi

President

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COMPETITION DATES AND SCHEDULE:

18	October	All Kids
19	October	All Cadets
20	October	All Juniors
21	October	All Seniors

RANKING:

Seniors: G-1

COMPETITION RULES:

WT Competition Rules & Interpretation as of June 2026 shall be applied.

METHOD OF COMPETITION:

A single elimination tournament according to the regulations of the PSS and Video Replay. Best of 3 system.

CONTEST TIME:

- ✓ Senior divisions: 3 rounds of 2 minutes, 1-minute break between each round.
- ✓ Junior divisions: 3 rounds of 1 minute 30 seconds, 30 seconds break between each round.
- ✓ Cadet and Children divisions: 3 rounds of 1 minute 30 seconds, 30 seconds break between each round.

The WT Technical Delegate has the authority to adjust the contest time as he sees fit.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Eligibility and Participation Requirements

1. All participating athletes are required to hold a valid 2026 WT Global Athlete License (GAL).
2. Athletes must be affiliated with or registered through the Asian Taekwondo Union (ATU) or World Taekwondo (WT).
3. Athletes must hold the following minimum Kukkiwon rank/certification:
 - **Seniors:** Valid Kukkiwon Dan Certificate.
 - **Juniors:** 2nd Kup or higher.
 - **Cadets:** 5th Kup or higher.
 - **Children:** As specified by the Organizing Committee.
4. To be eligible for participation, athletes must have been born in the following years:
 - **Seniors:** 2009 or earlier.
 - **Juniors:** 2009, 2010, or 2011.
 - **Cadets:** 2012, 2013, or 2014.
 - **Children:** 2015, 2016, or 2017

COACH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- 1- Coaches must be at least 18 years of age.
- 2- All coaches are required to hold a valid WT Coach Certificate – Level I or higher.
- 3- All coaches must hold a valid 2026 WT Global Official License.
- 4- During the Semi-Finals and Finals, all coaches are required to wear formal attire, including a jacket, dress shirt (long or short sleeves), tie, and trousers, along with appropriate sports shoes.

REGISTRATION:

Team entries will only be accepted through the WT GMS online registration system Simply Compete <https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com/>.

Registration deadline:

01st October 2026, 23:59 Qatar Time

WEIGHT CATEGORIES:

SENIORS DIVISION:

Male: -54, -58, -63, -68, -74, -80, -87, +87kg.

Female: -46, -49, -53, -57, -62, -67, -73, +73kg.

JUNIORS DIVISION:

Male: -45, -48, -51, -55, -59, -63, -68, -73, -78, +78kg.

Female: -42, -44, -46, -49, -52, -55, -59, -63, -68, +68kg.

CADETS DIVISION:

Male: -33, -37, -41, -45, -49, -53, -57, -61, -65, +65kg.

Female: -29, -33, -37, -41, -44, -47, -51, -55, -59, +59kg.

CHILDRENS DIVISION:

Male: -27, -30, -33, -36, -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, +57kg.

Female: -27, -30, -33, -36, -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, +57kg.

APPLICABLE FEES:

Regular entry fee:

- ✓ \$100 per registered individual athlete if **paid via bank transfer** (Who registered through WT GMS online registration before 01 October 2026).
- ✓ \$120 per registered individual athlete if **paid cash onsite**. (Who registered through WT GMS online registration before 01 October 2026).

Change of weight division:

- ✓ \$25 for each change of medal event made after deadline.

Onsite Registration:

- ✓ \$150 per registered athlete if the registration will be made onsite.
- ✓ Any WT Global Licence registration completed onsite will be charged a \$50 extra onsite processing fee for each WT Global Licence.

✓ **The participant shall be responsible for all bank transfer fees and administrative charges.**

Bank Details:

Account Name : QATAR TAEKWONDO JUDO AND KAR FED

Account Number : 0012-101844-001

IBAN : QA45 MAFR 0000 0000 0012 1018 4400 1

Bank Name : MASRAF AL RAYAN

Swift Code : MAFRQAQAXXX

Branch : Qatar Olympic Branch

Purpose of transfer : Qatar open 26 (team name)

Example: Qatar open 26 (Qtjk team)

SPORT EQUIPMENT:

PSS – system:

The **Way-Champ electronic Protector and Scoring System (PSS)**, including electronic headgear, will be provided by the Organizing Committee (OC).

Dobok and protective equipment:

- 1- Athletes are permitted to use **only WT-recognized products and equipment** during the event.
- 2- A list of WT-recognized products is available through the official World Taekwondo website.
- 3- The following protective equipment is **mandatory** and must be provided by the athletes:
 - Groin guard
 - Forearm guards
 - Shin guards
 - Mouthguard (**white or transparent only**)
 - Gloves
 - Sensor socks
- 4- **Sensor socks may also be available for purchase at the Sport Hall, if required.**
- 5- All equipment must comply with the applicable **World Taekwondo (WT) regulations and requirements.**

FIELD OF PLAY REGULATIONS:

By accepting an accreditation card, all accredited persons agree to comply with the Field of Play regulations applicable at Taekwondo events. Only the competitors and their coaches will have admittance with valid accreditations to the contest areas.

AWARDS:

Individual awards

- ✓ 1st place – gold medal.
- ✓ 2nd place – silver medal.
- ✓ 3rd place – bronze medal.
- ✓ 3rd place – bronze medal.

Team awards

Best female team award: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies (seniors, juniors, cadets).

Best male team award: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies (seniors, juniors, cadets).

ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION:

The Organizing Committee shall provide transportation between the airport and hotel and vice versa and between the hotel and the competition venue for those teams that have booked their hotel via the Organizing Committee.

For making hotel reservation, please fill in the Booking Form on WT GMS Simply Compete website and send it back no later than **01October 2026**.

MEDICAL AND ANTI-DOPING:

ANTI-DOPING

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.

Therapeutic Use Exemption

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.

For more details, please visit

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

<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/medical-anti>

[doping/anti-doping/therapeutic-use-exemptions-tues/](http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/medical-anti-doping/anti-doping/therapeutic-use-exemptions-tues/)

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 insurance is present, including insurance policy papers should be taken to the event in case a medical situation occurs.

LIABILITY:

Teams are strongly advised to ensure that they have adequate travel, cancellation, and medical insurance coverage for all participating athletes, coaches, and officials.

The Organizing Committee (OC) shall not be responsible for, nor accept any claims or requests for compensation arising from the cancellation, postponement, or modification of the event.

Visa Requirements:

The Qatar Open will provide visa assistance to all participating teams for a fee of 100 USD, subject to meeting the following requirements:

- Complete their registration and payment through **WT GMS / Simply Compete**.
- Book their accommodation through the **Organizing Committee (OC)**.

The **Visa Request Form** is available through the **WT GMS / Simply Compete** platform.

IMPORTANT:

Visa applications will **not be processed** until the following requirements have been fully completed:

1. Full payment of the entry fees has been received, either online or by bank transfer.
2. The hotel reservation through the **Organizing Committee (OC)** has been confirmed.

Teams or participants who choose not to book their accommodation through the OC will be responsible for arranging and obtaining their own visas.

Event Schedule:

15-Oct-26	All Day	Team Arrival	
16-Oct-26	08:00 to 12:00	Registration for all players	Main hotel
	14:00 to 16:00		
17-Oct-26	08:00 to 12:00	Registration for all players	Main hotel
	14:00 to 16:00		
	15:00 to 17:00	Weigh in for all kids weigh divisions male and female	Main hotel
	17:00 to 18:00	Head of team meeting and draw of lots	Main hotel
	18:00 to 20:00	Referee meeting	Main hotel
18-Oct-26	09:00 to 13:00	Eliminations round matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	10:00 to 12:00	Weigh in for all cadets weigh divisions male and female	Main hotel
	13:00 to 13:30	Lunch break	Ladies' Sports Hall
	13:30 to 16:30	Eliminations and quarter finals matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	16:30 to 19:30	Semi-final and final matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	19:30 to 21:00	Awarding ceremony	Ladies' Sports Hall
19-Oct-26	08:00 to 08:30	Random weigh in for cadet	Ladies' Sports Hall
	09:00 to 13:00	Eliminations round matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	10:00 to 12:00	Weigh in for all juniors weigh divisions male and female	Main hotel
	13:00 to 13:30	Lunch break	Ladies' Sports Hall
	13:30 to 16:30	Eliminations and quarter finals matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	16:30 to 19:30	Semi-final and final matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	19:30 to 21:00	Awarding ceremony	Ladies' Sports Hall
20-Oct-26	08:00 to 08:30	Random weigh in for junior	Ladies' Sports Hall
	09:00 to 13:00	Eliminations round matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	10:00 to 12:00	Weigh in for all seniors weigh divisions male and female	Main hotel
	13:00 to 13:30	Lunch break	Ladies' Sports Hall
	13:30 to 16:30	Eliminations and quarter finals matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	16:30 to 19:30	Semi-final and final matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	19:30 to 21:00	Awarding ceremony	Ladies' Sports Hall
21-Oct-26	08:00 to 08:30	Random weigh in for seniors	Ladies' Sports Hall
	09:00 to 13:00	Eliminations round matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	13:00 to 13:30	Lunch break	Ladies' Sports Hall
	13:30 to 16:30	Eliminations and quarter finals matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	16:30 to 19:30	Semi-final and final matches	Ladies' Sports Hall
	19:30 to 21:00	Awarding ceremony	Ladies' Sports Hall
22-Oct-26	All Day	Team Departures	