



November 4, 2015

Presidents and Secretaries General
WTF Member National Association

Re: World Taekwondo GP Final and World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships Mexico 2015

Dear beloved Taekwondo Family,

It is a great pleasure to extend an invitation to your member national association to participate in the World Taekwondo GP Final and World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships to be held on December 5-9, 2015 in Mexico City, Mexico.

The Grand-Prix Final is set to be an excellent event with the world's top eight taekwondo athletes per weight division, expected to compete; including the Olympic Champions and World Champions. It will be an important event on the way to the Rio 2016 Olympics.

Also, I expect that the World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships will serve as an opportunity for the top elite teams to display their skills and togetherness. It will show you the thrilling moments of competition and friendship.

To commemorate the closing of this year, the 2nd WTF Gala Awards will be held on 7 December and it will honor the accomplishments of the players, officials and national federations as the social event worldwide.

We look forward to seeing you and your teams in Mexico City.

Sincerely yours,

Chungwon Choue
President

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NOT AN INVITATION TO THE WTF WORLD TAEKWONDO TEAM
CHAMPIONSHIPS, Mexico City 2015**

OUTLINE

2015- WTF WORLD CUP TAEKWONDO TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

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3 DATE: December 8-9, 2015

4 VENUE: Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
Av. División del Norte No 2333, Benito Juárez, Gral Anaya,
03340 Ciudad de México, D.F

5 QUALIFICATIONS

CRITERION #1: Holder of the nationality of the participating team except two substitutes
CRITERION #2: An athlete must be nominated by the pertinent national taekwondo association that is recognized by the World Taekwondo Federation
CRITERION #3: Holder of the Kukkiwon Poom or Dan Certificate
CRITERION #4: An athlete must be 17 years old or older. An athlete who was born in the year of 1998 or before is eligible to participation in the Championships.
CRITERION #5: Holder of valid WTF Global Athlete Licence (GAL). Any questions on the WTF GAL application please contact Mr Kabir Kar the WTF Global Licence Administration Manager at gmsadmin@wtf.org

6 COMPETITION RULES

Standing Procedure of WTF World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships and WTF Competition Rules in force as of the Competition date

7 INVITATION OF THE TEAMS

Eight (8) Teams per gender division will be invited: Selection of the teams shall be made as follows.

- 7.1 Top 7 placed teams of the 2015 WTF World Taekwondo Championships Chelyabinsk shall be automatically invited. If any of these teams cancels its participation, invitation shall be opened to next ranked MNAs.
- 7.2 Host nation of the Championships shall be automatically invited.

8 METHOD OF COMPETITION

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- 8.1 Mixture of Traditional Team Match format and Tag-team Match format
 - 8.1.1 In order to form the team, each team must enter 5 athletes in minimum and in maximum of 6 athletes including 1 substitute.
 - 8.1.2 A team may include maximum 2 athletes from other MNAs which are not the participating National Teams. (Any of athlete(s) of participating Teams shall not be allowed to participate to as a member of other national team.)**
 - 8.1.3 Each team can designate 5 first team athletes and 1 substitute athlete per contest. The athletes shall be numbered from 1 (lightest) to 5 (heaviest).
 - 8.1.4 The preliminary & quarter final matches shall be carried out for 3 rounds (5 minutes of 1st round and 3 minutes of 2nd round & 3rd round) with 1 minute break between rounds. Semi-final and final matches for 3 rounds of 5 minutes with 1 minute break between rounds.
 - 8.1.5 The 1st round shall be conducted based on traditional team match format for one (1) minute per competition. It means that the athletes shall compete against his/her counterparts of the opposing team (same numbered athlete) in the order from lighter to heavier. Final score of each team that is total points scored by all athletes of the team shall be accumulated.
 - 8.1.6 The 2nd round and 3rd round shall be conducted based on tag-team match format for 3 or 5 minutes. The numbers of replacement shall be allowed in maximum of 8 times per round of 3 minutes and 12 times per round of 5 minutes regardless of order.
 - 8.1.7 The team that scores more points in accumulation of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd round shall be declared as the winner. In case of a tie at the preliminary group stage, the final result shall be recorded as 'Draw' but from semi finals, golden point round shall be carried out on tag-team format, The team that scores the first three point shall be declared as winning team.
 - 8.1.8 The team that reaches 10 "Gam-jeom" in total shall be declared as loser at any time during the competition.
 - 8.1.9 When there is score gap of 30 points, the match shall be automatically concluded in end of 2nd round.
- 8.2 Substitute(s)
 - 8.2.1 Each team may bring maximum six (6) athletes including one (1) substitute to the Championships. Only one (1) substitute is allowed to stand by for each team match and can replace any of the five (5) competitors in case of injury. Substitution due to injury can be approved by either the WTF Medical Committee or Commission Doctor.
 - 8.2.2 In case of injury during the championships, form of four (4) athletes still can be composed as a team and compete; however, 10 points will be given to opponent in 1st round.
 - 8.2.3 Less than four (4) athletes in each team shall be disqualified.

8.3 WTF Ranking points

2015 WTF World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships are G-2 ranking event. The following ranking points per male team and female team respectively will be given to all athletes of the team that has advanced to 5th placed teams or above. The ranking points shall be awarded to the athlete's regular weight division. To obtain ranking points, an athlete must compete at least once during the tournament.

- 1st Placed team: 20 points
- 2nd placed team: 12 points
- 3rd placed teams: 7.20 points
- 5th placed teams: 4.32 points

9 SYSTEM OF COMPETITION

System of Team Competition is classified as follows.

9.1 Round-robin system in preliminary group stage – competitions within each group of teams – and single elimination system in quarterfinals though final shall be applied.

9.2 Eight (8) teams

9.2.1 In group stage, eight (8) teams shall be divided into two (2) groups, with four (4) teams per group.

9.2.2 Two (2) teams shall be seeded in these groups; one team per group. They are the host nation, and the top team at the latest WTF World Taekwondo Championships. If any of the seeded nations is not participating, the next-highest ranked team at the latest WTF World Taekwondo Championships that is participating in the Championships shall be seeded. The other teams except these two (2) teams shall be randomly allocated in two (2) groups through drawing of lots.

9.2.3 Based on round-robin system, each team shall play three (3) times in group stage by competing once against each of three other teams in the same group in turn.

9.2.4 In group stage, each team shall gain 3 team points per win, 1 point for draw and 0 point for loss and the team with more team points shall be ranked higher.

9.2.5 The top two (2) teams of each group shall automatically advance to the semi-finals. Draw of semi-finals shall be pre-determined based on the results at the group stage. In case of tie, rank shall be classified in accordance of the following order:

- The team that has more team points
- The team that has more accumulated scores after deduction of the points earned by the opposing team from the points earned
- If there is still a tie, team with higher accumulated scores
- If there is still a tie, team with (1) higher number of RSC. (2) lower number of Gam-jeom and (3) lower number of Kyong-go
- If there is still a tie after exhausting the criteria, it shall be determined by the method decided by Technical Delegate.

9.2.6 In case that there are less than 8 teams participating, the number of groups and/or number of teams per group may be subject to change. In this case, Technical Delegate shall make final decision and shall announce the decision at the Head of Team Meeting

10 PROCEDURE OF THE CONTEST

10.1 Each team shall be called at Athlete Calling Desk three times beginning thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled contest.

10.2 Each team shall submit the order of the contestants for the 1st round match based on the weight of each athlete (lighter to heavier) to the responsible technical official designated by the WTF. The number of order shall be put on trunk protector of each contestant for identification. The substitute athlete shall be given the number '6'.

- 10.3 Five (5) first team athletes and one (1) substitute of each team shall march in together with one (1) coach and one (1) team doctor.
- 10.4 The center referee shall call “Chung, Hong.” Both teams shall enter the contest area with their headgears firmly tucked under their left arms facing each other.
- 10.5 Following the referee’s command “Cha-ryeot” and “Kyeong-rye”, both teams shall make a standing bow to each other.
- 10.6 The first competitor shall stay in the contest area for the first match, and the others stay in coach’s area.
- 10.7 The contest shall start by the center referee’s command “Joon-bi” and “Shi-jak”.
- 10.8 After the referee declares “Keu-man”, both teams shall enter the contest area with their headgears firmly tucked under their left arms facing each other, and make a standing bow to each other following commend of the referee.
- 10.9 The referee shall declare the winner by raising own hand to the winner’s side.

11 WEIGHT RANGE: Total weight

11.1 Male:

The total weight of 6 athletes (5 +1 substitute) shall be 442kg or less.
The total weight of 5 athletes shall be 368kg or less.

11.2 Female:

The total weight of 6 athletes (5 +1 substitute) shall be 376kg or less.
The total weight of 5 athletes shall be 313kg or less.

12 DURATION OF THE CONTEST

- 12.1 1st round: 1 minute per athlete without break between the individual matches
- 12.2 2nd round & 3rd round: 3 minutes in preliminary, and 5 minutes for Semi-Final and Final
- 12.3 1 minute break between rounds.

13 ANTI-DOPING

- 13.1 World cup team championships are defined as Team sport following definition of WADA.
- 13.2 If more than two (2) members of a team are found to have committed an anti-doping rule violation during the Championships, the team shall be disqualified from the Championships in addition to any consequences imposed upon the individual athlete.

14 CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS (Per male and female respectively)

1st PLACE:	Trophy to the team and gold medals to all registered athletes of the pertinent team
2nd PLACE:	Trophy to the team and silver medals to all registered athletes of the pertinent team
3rd PLACES:	Trophies to the team and bronze medals to all registered athletes of the pertinent team

15 TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY (Maximum 25 members including substituted athletes, if any)

POSITION	MAX. NO. OF MEMBERS	
	MALE	FEMALE
HEAD OF TEAM:		1
MANAGER:	1	1
COACH:	2	2
TRAINER:	1	1
TEAM DOCTOR:	1	1
CONTESTANTS:	5 (+1 substitutes)	5 (+1 substitute)

* The number of athletes may increase to maximum 6 if the team brings substituted athletes.

16 INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

The WTF will appoint thirty (30) International Referees. The following conditions shall apply.

- 16.1 International Referees are required to pay for their own round-trip airfares.
- 16.2 The Organizing Committee shall pay the expenses for eight (8) nights' stay of room and board. **Check-in: December 2 / Check-out: December 10 (Including GP Final)**
- 16.3 The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of US\$100 to the selected International Referees for competition period (total two days; US\$200 per referee).

17 TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COMPETITION SUPERVISORY BOARD

The WTF will appoint the Technical Delegate and the members of the Competition Supervisory Board who shall oversee the Championships. The following conditions shall apply.

- 17.1 The Organizing Committee shall pay for the expenses of room and board for the Technical Delegate and CSB members for eight (8) nights' stay of room and board. **Check-in: December 2 / check-out: December 10**
- 17.2 The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of US\$100 to the Technical Delegate and the members of the Competition Supervisory Board for competition period (total two days; US\$200 per person).

18 WTF-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO UNIFORM (DOBOK) AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 All the equipment used at the Championships should be the ones recognized by the WTF.
- 18.2 Participating contestants are required to wear WTF-recognized uniforms and WTF-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of WTF-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WTF (<http://www.worldtaekwondofederation.net/recognized>).
- 18.3 Participating contestants are required to bring both white and color uniform either blue or red.
- 18.4 The Organizing Committee will provide **KP&P Protector and Scoring System (PSS) including PSS Headgear** 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.
- 18.5 Before entering into the field of play, all contestants will proceed to the inspection desk for inspection of their doboks and protective equipment. Any contestant who wears unofficial doboks or protective equipment will not be permitted to compete.
- 18.6 Organizing Committee shall prepare white masking tapes to cover up any kind of identification of the manufacturers not recognized by the WTF.

19 IDENTIFICATION OF NOC CODE AND MANUFACTURER

- 19.1 National flag shall be located between 3cm and 3.4cm below the right shoulder line of upper garment.
- 19.2 NOC Code is a three-letter National Olympic Committee abbreviation, and it shall 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".
- 19.3 Manufacturer's identification (name, designation trademark, logo or any distinctive sign of the manufacturer) shall be located one per garment within 20cm² except at the location of the WTF logo.

20 MEDICAL CONTROL

20.1 The WTF Anti-Doping Rules, and where necessary the Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency, shall apply throughout the competitions.

20.2 Compulsory anti-doping tests will be carried out on random selection basis. The WTF and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the championships. Therefore, all participating contestants are required to submit their latest and most accurate Athlete Location (Whereabouts Info) Forms to the WTF.

20.3 TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption)

Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WTF Anti-Doping Rules and Anti-Doping Code of World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for therapeutic purposes are requested to visit the website of WADA and make online filing of their TUE applications on ADAMS <http://www.wada-ama.org/en/ADAMS/> and report to the WTF Sports Department at marcoienna@wtf.org by no later than November 9h, 2015. For more details, please see the following page of the WTF website:

http://www.wtf.org/wtf_eng/site/anti_doping/06_therapeutic_use_exemptions.html

For ADAMS login, please contact National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) in your country or WTF Sports Department at marcoienna@wtf.org

21 HEAD OF TEAM MEETING & DRAWING OF LOTS SESSION

21.1 The head of team meeting and the drawing of lots session shall be conducted one (1) day prior to the start of the championships that is December 7, 2015, in the presence of the WTF officials and the representatives of the participating nations.

21.2 The method of draw shall be decided by the Technical Delegate.

21.3 The details of procedures of competitions may be changed with the agreements among head of teams during the Head of Team Meeting.

22 WEIGH-IN

22.1 Weigh-in of all contestants shall be completed one day before their scheduled competition day that is December 7, 2015.

22.2 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.

23 INDEMNITIES

23.1 The respective national taekwondo associations shall be responsible for ensuring that all officials and participants are covered with effective travel & medical insurance coverage.

23.2 Participants without proper insurance coverage will not be allowed to compete at the championships.

23.3 The Organizing Committee will acquire general Public Liability event insurance.

24 NATIONAL FLAG AND ANTHEM

Every participating national taekwondo association is required to bring the following items for use at the Opening and/or Closing ceremonies:

- i. Two (2) IOC-recognized national flags
 - Size: 90cm x 130cm
- ii. CD or DVD of the pertinent IOC-recognized national anthem

25 ACCOMMODATION

The participating teams are required to submit the hotel reservation to Organizing Committee by no later than November 20th, 2015. The list of official hotels and hotel reservation forms will be provided separately by Organizing Committee.

26 VISA INFORMATION

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

MNA's are requested to complete the attached visa application form at least one week before the waiting time deadline in their own country.

27 CLOSING DATES FOR ENTRIES / ENTRY FEE

- 27.1 Registration shall be made only through WTF online registration system.
- 27.2 Regular Registration period will **begin** on **4th November 2015**, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- 27.3 Regular Registration period will **end** on **18th November 2015**, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- 27.4 Team may replace athlete until December 3rd with valid reason.
- 27.5 Entry fee (US\$300 per team) must be paid during team registration in Mexico City.

Any WTF Global Licence registration completed onsite will be charged a US\$30 onsite processing fee for each WTF Global Licence required.

28 COACH'S ATTIRE

All Coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), and trouser from semi-final match. If any coach refuses to wear abovementioned attire, he or she won't be coaching for World Cup 2015.

29 TEAM DOCTOR'S MEETING

In order to receive accreditation card, all registered team doctors or physicians must attend team doctor's meeting on December 7th.

Provisional Timetable (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Date	Time	Event	Place
Dec 5	1000-1800	Arrival and registration of teams	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
Dec 5-7	0900-1800	Training	TBD
Dec 7	0900-1600	Referee meeting and training	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
Dec 7	1000-1200	Weigh-in for all athletes	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
Dec 7	1000-1200	Head of Team Meeting and Drawing of Lots	Castilia Hall, Holiday Inn Plaza Univesidad
Dec 7	1300-1500	Team Doctor's Meeting	Castilia Hall, Holiday Inn Plaza Univesidad
Dec 8	1000-1200	Preliminary Rounds	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
	1200-1300	Lunch break	
	1300-1700	Preliminary Rounds	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
	1730-1815	Opening Ceremony	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
	1830-2030	Preliminary Rounds	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
Dec 9	1800-2000	Semi-Finals & Finals	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
	2000-2020	Awarding Ceremony	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium
	2020-2100	Closing Ceremony	Juan de la Barrera Olympic Gymnasium