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Presidents and Secretaries General,
World Taekwondo Member National Associations

TAIYUAN 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND PRIX

Dear beloved Taekwondo family,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Taiyuan 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix to be held on October 10-12, 2023.

I am thrilled to announce that this Grand Prix marks the long-awaited return of this esteemed competition to China after almost ten years since the Suzhou 2014 Grand Prix. The Suzhou event played a significant role in establishing the future Grand Prix Series as a prominent fixture in the WT Calendar.

As we approach the culmination of our journey towards the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, the stakes are higher than ever before. I am confident that each step of your journey will be filled with triumphs and unforgettable moments, as you showcase your remarkable talent and dedication.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to the qualifiers from the Muju Taekwondowon 2023 Grand Prix Challenge. Your presence in this event is a testament to your hard work and skill, and I believe you will seize this opportunity to compete against the very best Taekwondo athletes in the world.

Lastly, I express my sincere gratitude to the Organisers - Chinese Taekwondo Association, Shanxi Province, and World Taekwondo Wuxi Center, for their invaluable support and efforts in making this event possible.

I Look forward to seeing you all in Taiyuan!

Sincerely yours,



Chungwon Choue
President





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OUTLINE

TAIYUAN 2023 WORLD TAEKWONDO GRAND-PRIX

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4. VENUE: Shanxi Sports Center - No.1 Jiankang South St., Jinyuan Dist., Taiyuan, Shanxi, China

5. QUALIFICATIONS

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

CRITERION #1:	Holder of the nationality of the participating team
CRITERION #2:	An athlete must be the one selected by the WT based on the WT Olympic Ranking published on August 1 st , 2023 following the Dakar 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge. The pre-registration information shall be extended to the pertinent member national taekwondo association that is recognized by the World Taekwondo.
CRITERION #3:	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 (www.kukkiwon.or.kr) for more information.)
CRITERION #4:	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 #5:	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 September 1, 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 29 athletes per Olympic weight category based on the WT Olympic ranking published for August 2023. The last event before release of August ranking will be the **Dakar 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix Challenge**.
- 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 29 pre-registered in GMS will be selected and confirmed via email from WT Sport & Event Management Department from **August 24th**. Two athletes per weight category who have won the quota through the Muju Taekwondowon 2023 World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Challenge (GP Challenge) will be additionally invited to the Taiyuan 2023 World Taekwondo Grand Prix. Those who registered but are not selected to participate will also be emailed.
- vi. Maximum quotas per MNA: 2 athletes per weight category, maximum 3 athletes in case of medalist from Muju Taekwondowon 2023 GP Challenge is included.
- vii. Host country: 1 athlete from the host country per Olympic weight category shall be additionally invited. 4 athletes per weight category can participate if 2 athletes are selected through ranking and 1 athlete is invited through GP Challenge.
- viii. Seeding and drawing of lots: All ranked athletes based on August WT Olympic ranking shall be seeded accordingly. Host country quota athlete will be seeded 9th place, if there is no athlete from the host country seeded within the 9th place. In the occasion that the host county has no athletes seeded within the 9th 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 9th place.
 - In case the host country has 1 athlete selected based on ranking, that athlete will be seeded 9th place.Athletes who obtained quota from GP Challenge shall be seeded based on August WT Olympic Ranking.
- ix. **Confirmation timeline**
 - WT will send out the pre-registration information to the pertinent MNA on **August 8th**.
 - 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 **August 22nd, 17:00 Swiss Local Time**.
 - WT may replace athlete no later than **October 1st**.
- x. **Penalty**
 - **If confirmed athlete does not participate in Taiyuan 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 China in advance. No athlete will be excused for cancelling the registration due to visa except an athlete additionally selected as a replacement after **August 24th**, 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 (September 24th to October 8th) 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 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 by PayPal 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 August 8th, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.
- Regular entry fee period will end on August 22nd, 17:00 Local Swiss Time.

Following close of Pre-Registration Period:

Following the end of the pre-registration on August 22nd, the WT Sport & Event Management Department will review the online pre-registration list and will inform via email from August 24th 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 **August 22nd, 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 August 22nd**.

Entry fee of US\$100 per athlete will be charged in case of cancellation of participation after **August 22nd**.

※ To pre-register, an athlete is required to be in the proper physical condition to compete in Taiyuan 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. Additionally, 1 athlete (1st or 2nd placed athlete) from GP Challenge can also be registered regardless of the ranking. The host member national association is able to send 1 additional athlete per weight category meaning that a maximum of 4 athletes per weight category can participate if 2 athletes are selected through ranking and 1 athlete is invited through GP Challenge.
- No additional athletes are accepted.
- No reserve athlete is accepted.
- No entry will be accepted or modified at the accreditation center(s) in Taiyuan.
- 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.
- MNA Guests: three (3) MNA Guests 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 Taiyuan in the following cases.
 1. Any team official who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Taiyuan although the total number of team officials does not exceed the designated number.
 2. In case of exceeding designated number of MNA officials/MNA Guests wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Taiyuan or any MNA official/MNA Guests who is not registered online wants to be accredited at the accreditation center in Taiyuan.
 3. Any changes or additions to team official after August 22nd. 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:

1st PLACE:	USD 5,000, GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
2nd PLACE:	USD 3,000, SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
3rd PLACE:	USD 1,000, BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
3rd PLACE:	USD 1,000, BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

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	60.0
2 nd place	36.0
3 rd places	21.6
5 th places	12.96
9 th places	9.07
17 th Places	6.35

15. TEAM ENTRIES PER COUNTRY (MAXIMUM 33 MEMBERS)

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

*Maximum of 1 contestant per weight category can be added in case there is an athlete qualified through GP Challenge

16. WT-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO UNIFORM AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- i. KPNP 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 $30cm^2$ and between 3 to 3.5cm below the shoulder line of the left arm, one for bottoms of Kyorugi competition uniform or within $30cm^2$ located above the knee and center of the right leg, and one for Kyorugi belt within $6cm^2$ 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 $50cm^2$ 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 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/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 October 8th, 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 and transportation details only via the WT GMS registration system – worldtkd.simplycompete.com by no later than September 10th, 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 your WT GMS National Team Admin registers your team's accommodation details on the WT GMS, you need to wait to receive an official invoice via your official email from the Organizing Committee with the total amount to pay. Only after receiving the invoice, proceed to make the payment to the bank account of the OC. If you do not receive the invoice, please contact gm_office@jijinsports.com before September 18th.

24. VISA INFORMATION

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

MNAs are requested to complete the visa application recommendation form through WT GMS 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 China, all visa requests should be addressed to gm_office@jijinsports.com.

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 Taiyuan 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 October 8th, 2023.



TIMETABLE (Subject to Change)

Date	Time	Event	Place
October 6 -		Arrival	
October 7-9	10:00-18:00	Registration	Royal Palace Hotel
October 7-9	09:00-18:00	Team Training	Shanxi Sports Center (Training Hall C – Taekwondo Training Hall)
October 8	11:00-13:00	Referee Training	Wutong Building Hotel (Bowang Hall)
	13:00-14:00	Team Doctor's Meeting (For both Olympic and Para Taekwondo GP)	Royal Palace Hotel (Huacheng Ballroom)
	14:00-16:00	Head of Team Meeting	Royal Palace Hotel (Junhui Ballroom)
	16:00-17:30	Referee Training	Shanxi Sports Center
October 9	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W-49Kg, W-57Kg, M-58Kg	Shanxi Sports Center
October 10	09:00	Random weigh-in for W-49Kg, W-57Kg, M-58Kg	Shanxi Sports Center
	10:00-13:00	Competitions W-49Kg, W-57Kg, M-58Kg	
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W-67Kg, M-68Kg, M-80Kg	
	13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
	14:00-16:30	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-49Kg, W-57Kg, M-58Kg	
	16:30-17:30	Session break	
	17:30-20:00	Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W-49Kg, W-57Kg, M-58Kg	
October 11	09:00	Random weigh-in for W-67Kg, M-68Kg, M-80Kg	Shanxi Sports Center
	10:00-13:00	Competitions W-67Kg, M-68Kg, M-80Kg	
	10:00-12:00	General weigh-in for W+67kg, M+80kg	
	13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
	14:00-16:30	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W-67Kg, M-68Kg, M-80Kg	
	16:30-17:30	Session break	
	17:30-20:00	Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W-67Kg, M-68Kg, M-80Kg	
October 12	10:00-12:00	Competitions W+67kg, M+80kg	Shanxi Sports Center
	12:00-13:00	Lunch break	
	13:00-14:30	Round of 16 and Quarterfinals W+67kg, M+80kg	
	14:30-15:30	Session break	
	15:30-17:30	Semi-finals, Finals and Victory Ceremonies W+67kg, M+80kg	
October 13		Departure	