

= TNA Knockouts Tag Team Championship =

The TNA Knockouts Tag Team Championship was a women 's professional wrestling tag team championship owned by the Total Nonstop Action Wrestling (TNA) promotion . It was contested for mainly by teams consisting of two female wrestlers in TNA , known as the TNA Knockouts , in TNA 's women 's division ; however , the championship was once held by a male .

The creation of the championship was announced on August 20 , 2009 during a backstage segment on TNA 's primary television program TNA Impact ! . Like most professional wrestling championships , the title is won via the result of a scripted match . Sarita and Taylor Wilde were the inaugural champions . They won a four @-@ week tournament to crown the first champions . The final champions were ODB and Eric Young , who held the titles for a record 478 days .

On the June 20 , 2013 episode of Impact Wrestling , Knockouts Division Executive Brooke Hogan stripped ODB and Young of the title because Young is a male talent , despite the fact that he had been a male for the prior 478 days . This ultimately resulted in the titles being deactivated , as it 's no longer listed among TNA 's active championships .

= = History = =

= = TNA Knockout = = =

TNA Knockout , or just Knockout for short , is the term used by TNA to refer to its onscreen female employees ; this is similar to TNA 's main rival World Wrestling Entertainment and their Divas pseudonym . TNA 's first women 's accomplishment was announced at TNA 's first weekly pay @-@ per @-@ view event on June 19 , 2002 . It was called the " Miss TNA " crown . The holder of the crown was determined in a lingerie battle royal on June 19 , 2002 , which aired on June 26 , 2002 . The participants in the match were Alexis Laree , Elektra , Erin Bray , Francine , Miss Joni , Sasha , Shannon , Taylor Vaughn , and Teresa Tyler . Vaughn last eliminated Elektra to win the crown . The TNA Knockout of the Year is another award in TNA given to the knockout who achieved the most or had the best run that year . The most recent Knockout of the Year was Gail Kim in 2007 ; no award was given out in 2008 . In October 2007 at TNA 's Bound for Glory PPV event , TNA established their first women 's championship , with Gail Kim winning a 10 knockout gauntlet match to become the first TNA Women 's Knockout Champion . Ms. Brooks , Christy Hemme , Awesome Kong , Roxxi Laveaux , Talia Madison , Shelly Martinez , Jackie Moore , ODB , and Angel Williams were also involved in the match . Two DVDs on the topic of the TNA Knockouts have been released by TNA . The first was named " Knockouts : The Ladies of TNA Wrestling Vol.1 " and was released on August 29 , 2006 . " Knocked Out : The Women of TNA Wrestling " was the second , being released on October 7 , 2008 .

= = Championship Tournament = = =

On the August 20 , 2009 episode of Impact ! , backstage interviewer Lauren , who was standing with and about to interview Christy Hemme , Tara , Taylor Wilde , and Sarita , announced that TNA were planning to host an eight @-@ team single elimination tag team tournament to crown the first @-@ ever TNA Knockouts Tag Team Champions . After a four @-@ way match consisting of Hemme , Traci Brooks , Sarita , and Awesome Kong , TNA commentators Mike Tenay and Taz announced that the first round match of the tournament would take place on the August 27 episode of Impact ! with Kong and Raisha Saeed facing Brooks and Sharmell . Kong and Saeed wound up winning the match , and moving to the next round of the tournament . On the September 3 episode of Impact ! , the team of Hemme and Tara defeated the team of Hamada and Sojourner Bolt to move onto round two of the tournament . The next week on Impact ! , the team of Sarita and Taylor Wilde defeated Alissa Flash and Daffney to also advance to round two . Later in that same episode , Angelina Love and Velvet Sky (collectively known as The Beautiful People) defeated the team of

Madison Rayne and Roxxi . Round two began on the September 17 episode of Impact ! , with the encounters of Kong and Saeed versus Sarita and Wilde and The Beautiful People versus Hemme and Tara . The first bout pitted Hemme and Tara against The Beautiful People , with the latter being victorious . Sarita and Wilde won the second encounter over Kong and Saeed . The finals for the tournament were then set for TNA 's No Surrender PPV event , with The Beautiful People versus Sarita and Wilde . Sarita and Wilde defeated Madison Rayne , a substitute for Angelina Love who had been released from her contract prior to the event , and Velvet Sky (also collectively known as The Beautiful People) on September 20 at No Surrender to become the first official TNA Knockouts Tag Team Champions .

Tournament Bracket

== = Belt designs == =

The actual physical title belts were first shown at No Surrender . The belts introduced have a red strap with two small gold plates and one large gold plate . In the center of each plate stands a figure resembling a globe made out of gold . On the outer edge of the plate are red gems , which circle the entire plate . The center golden plate of the belt has TNA 's official logo engraved in the very center with the words " Knockouts Tag Team " above it and the words " Wrestling Champion " below .

== = Reigns == =

The inaugural champions were Sarita and Wilde , who defeated The Beautiful People (Rayne and Sky) in the finals of an eight @-@ team tournament to crown the first TNA Knockouts Tag Team Champions . At 478 days , Eric Young and ODB hold the record for the longest reign in the title 's history . Awesome Kong 's and Hamada 's only reign holds the record for the shortest reign in the title 's history at 63 days . As of June 27 , 2013 , the championships are retired due to TNA not having enough female talent for a Tag Team Division . Young is the first and only male wrestler to have held the title . Overall , there have been 9 reigns shared between 15 wrestlers and 9 teams .

== = Combined reigns == =

== = = By team == = =

== = = By wrestler == = =