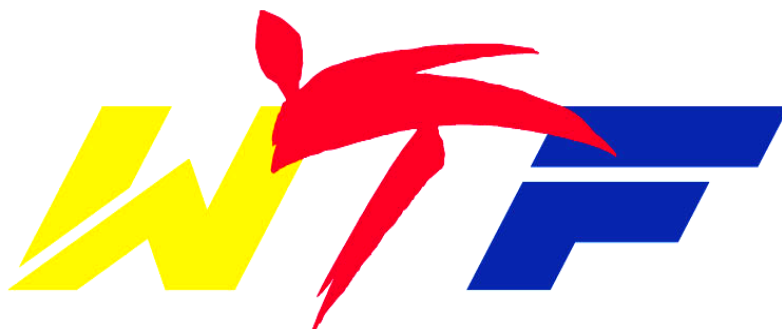


# **COMPETITION RULES & INTERPRETATION**



**Operational status :**

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**The World Taekwondo Federation**

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# **COMPETITION RULES & INTERPRETATION**

## **Article 1. Purpose**

The purpose of the Competition Rules is to manage fairly and smoothly all matters pertaining to competitions of all levels to be promoted and / or organized by the WTF, Regional Unions and member National Associations, ensuring the application of standardized rules.

## **Article 2. Application**

The Competition Rules shall apply to all the competitions to be promoted and / or organized by the WTF, each Regional Union and member National Association. However, any member National Association wishing to modify some any part of the Competition Rules must first gain the approval of the WTF.

## **Article 3. Competition Area**

The Competition Area shall comprise Contest Area measured 12m x 12m in metric system and have a flat surface without any obstructing projections. The Contest Area shall be covered with an elastic mat. However, the Contest Area may be installed on a platform 0.5m – 0.6m high from the base, if necessary, and the outer part of the Boundary Line shall be inclined with a gradient of less than 30 degrees for the safety of the contestants.

### **1. Demarcation of the Contest Area**

- 1) The 12m x 12m area shall be called the Contest Area, and a line 1m wide using different color shall be marked on the inside from the marginal line of the contest area to call the attention of the contestants not to cross the Boundary line.
- 2) The demarcation of the Contest Area and the Attention Area shall be distinguished by the different colors of the two area's surface, or indicated by a white line 5cm wide when the entire surface is one color.
- 3) The demarcating line between the Contest Area and the Attention Area shall be

called the Attention Line and the marginal line of the Contest Area shall be called the Boundary Line.

## 2. Indication of Positions

### 1) Position of the Referee

The position of the Referee shall be marked at a point 1.5m back from the center point of the Contest Area to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Boundary Line and designated as the Referee's Mark.

### 2) Position of the Judges

The position of the 1<sup>st</sup> Judge shall be marked at a point 0.5m outwards from the center of the 1<sup>st</sup> Boundary Line facing towards the center point of the Contest Area and the position of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judge shall be marked 0.5m outwards from the bottom corner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Boundary Line facing the center of the Contest Area. The position of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Judge shall be marked at the opposite point of the 4<sup>th</sup> Boundary Line with the position of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judge.

### 3) Position of the Recorder

The position of the Recorder shall be marked at a point more than 2m back from the position of the 1<sup>st</sup> Judge.

### 4) Position of the Commission Doctor

The position of the Commission Doctor shall be marked at a point more than 3m to the right side from the Boundary Line.

### 5) Position of the Contestants

The position of the Contestants shall be marked at a point 1m to the respective left and right sides from the center point of the Contest Area facing towards the position of the 1<sup>st</sup> Judge. The right side shall be the Blue Contestant's Mark and the left side shall be the Red Contestant's Mark.

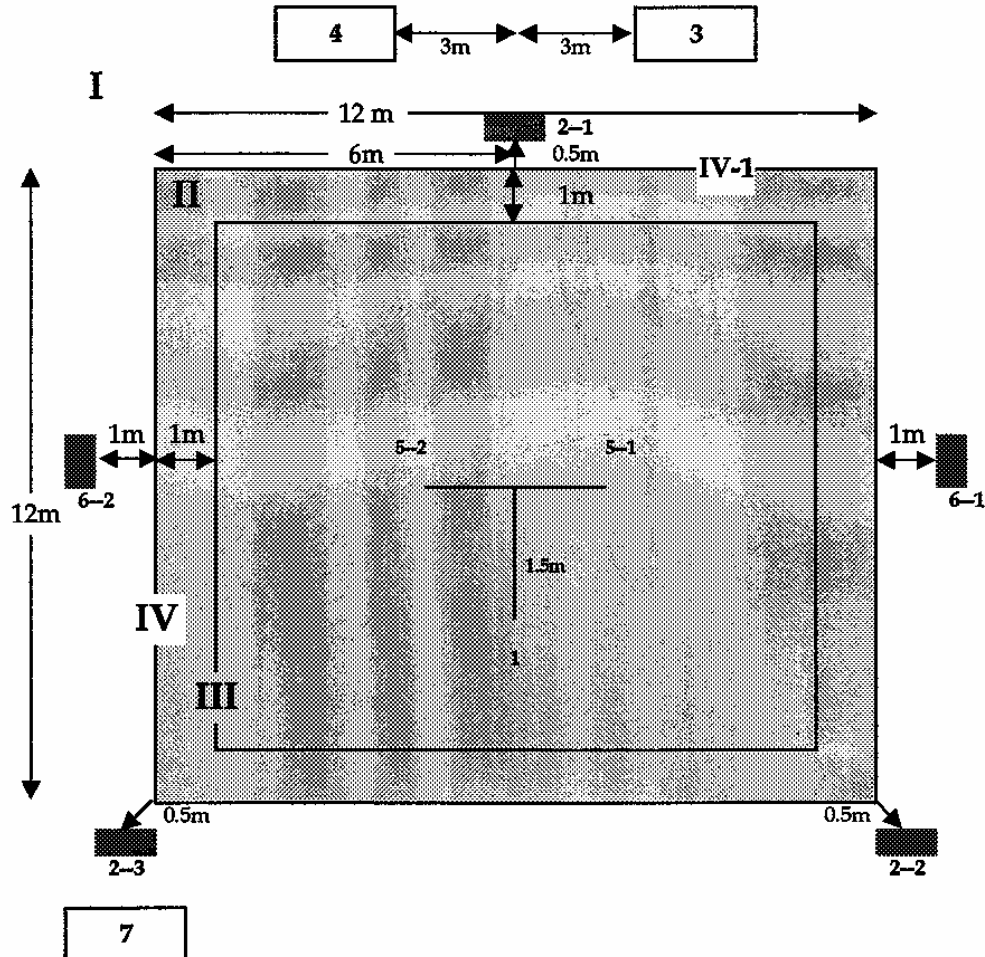
### 6) Position of the Coaches

The position of the Coaches shall be marked at a point 1m away from the center point of the Boundary Line of each contestant's side.

7) Position of the Inspection Desk

The position of the Inspection Desk shall be near the entrance of the Competition Area for inspection of the contestants' protective equipment.

**Diagram 1. Competition Area (경기장 그림)**

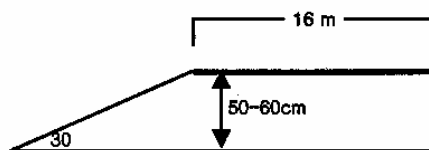


- I. Competition Area (경기장)
- II. Contest Area (경기지역)
- III. Attention Line (주의선)
- IV. Boundary Line (한계선)
- IV-1. 1st Boundary Line (제1한계선)

\*2nd, 3rd & 4th Boundary line clockwise  
(\*시계방향으로 제2,3,4한계선)

- 1. Referee's Mark (주심 위치)
- 2. Judge's Mark (부심 위치)
- 3. Recorder's Mark (기록원 위치)
- 4. Commision Doctor's mark (임석의사 위치)
- 5-1. Blue contestant's mark (청선수 위치)
- 5-2. Red contestant's mark (홍선수 위치)
- 6-1. Blue coach's mark (청선수 코치 위치)
- 6-2. Red coach's mark (홍선수 코치 위치)
- 7. Inspection desk (검사대)

**Diagram 2. Competition Platform (경기대 그림)**



## **Article 4. Contestant**

### **1. Qualification of Contestant**

- 1) Holder of the nationality of the participating team
- 2) One recommended by the national Taekwondo Association
- 3) Holder of Taekwondo Dan certificate issued by the Kukkiwon / WTF, and in case of the World Junior Taekwondo Championships, holder of Kukkiwon Poom / Dan certificate aged 14 through 17 years old based on the year when the Championships are held.

### **2. The Costume for Contestants**

- 1) The contestant shall wear a Taekwondo uniform (Dobok) and protectors recognized by the WTF.
- 2) The contestant shall wear the trunk protector, head protector, groin guard, forearm and shin guards and mouthpiece before entering the contest area, and the groin guard, forearm and shin guards shall be worn inside the Taekwondo uniform, and the contestant shall bring the WTF-approved protectors for personal use. Wear of any other items on the head other than head protector shall not be permitted.

### **3. Medical Control**

- 1) At the Taekwondo events promoted or sanctioned by the WTF, any use or administration of drugs or chemical substances described in the WTF Anti-doping by-laws is prohibited. However, the IOC Anti-doping by-laws shall be applied to the Taekwondo competition of Olympic Games and other multi-sports Games.
- 2) The WTF may carry out any medical testing deemed necessary to ascertain if a contestant has committed a breach of this rule, and any winner who refuses to undergo this testing or who proves to have committed such a breach shall be removed from the final standings, and the record shall be transferred to the contestant next in line in the competition standings.
- 3) The Organizing Committee shall be liable for arrangements to carry out medical

testing.

- 4) The details of the WTF Anti-Doping Regulation shall be enacted as part of the by-laws.

## **Article 5. Weight Division**

1. Weights are divided into male and female divisions.

2. Weight divisions are basically divided as follows;

<u>Weight category</u>	<u>Male division</u>	<u>Female division</u>
Fin	Not exceeding 54kg	Not exceeding 47 kg
Fly	Over 54 kg & Not exceeding 58 kg	Over 47 kg & Not exceeding 51 kg
Bantam	Over 58 kg & Not exceeding 62 kg	Over 51 kg & Not exceeding 55 kg
Feather	Over 62 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg	Over 55 kg & Not exceeding 59 kg
Light	Over 67 kg & Not exceeding 72 kg	Over 59 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg
Welter	Over 72 kg & Not exceeding 78 kg	Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 67 kg
Middle	Over 78 kg & Not exceeding 84 kg	Over 67 kg & Not exceeding 72 kg
Heavy	Over 84 kg	Over 72 kg

3. Weight divisions for the Olympic Games are divided as follows;

<u>Male division</u>	<u>Female division</u>
Not exceeding 58kg	Not exceeding 49kg
Over 58kg & not exceeding 68kg	Over 49kg & not exceeding 57kg
Over 68kg & not exceeding 80kg	Over 57kg & not exceeding 67kg
Over 80kg	Over 67kg

4. Weight divisions for the World Junior Championships are divided as follows.

<u>Weight category</u>	<u>Male division</u>	<u>Female division</u>
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Fin	Not exceeding 45kg	Not exceeding 42 kg
Fly	Over 45 kg & Not exceeding 48 kg	Over 42 kg & Not exceeding 44 kg
Bantam	Over 48 kg & Not exceeding 51 kg	Over 44 kg & Not exceeding 46 kg
Feather	Over 51 kg & Not exceeding 55 kg	Over 46 kg & Not exceeding 49 kg
Light	Over 55 kg & Not exceeding 59 kg	Over 49 kg & Not exceeding 52 kg
Welter	Over 59 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg	Over 52 kg & Not exceeding 55 kg
Light Middle	Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg	Over 55 kg & Not exceeding 59 kg
Middle	Over 68 kg & Not exceeding 73 kg	Over 59 kg & Not exceeding 63 kg
Light Heavy	Over 73 kg & Not exceeding 78 kg	Over 63 kg & Not exceeding 68 kg
Heavy	Over 78 kg	Over 68 kg

## **Article 6. Classification and Methods of Competition**

1. Competitions are divided as follows.

- 1) Individual competition shall normally be between contestants in the same weight class. When necessary, adjoining weight class may be combined to create a single classification. No contestant is allowed to participate in more than one (1) weight category in one event.

### **2) Team Competition: Systems of Competition**

(1) Five (5) contestants by weight classification with the following category

#### **Male division**

Not exceeding 54kg  
Over 54kg & not exceeding 63kg  
Over 63kg & not exceeding 72kg  
Over 72kg & not exceeding 82kg  
Over 82kg

#### **Female division**

Not exceeding 47kg  
Over 47kg & not exceeding 54kg  
Over 54kg & not exceeding 61kg  
Over 61kg & not exceeding 68kg  
Over 68kg

(2) Eight (8) contestants by weight classification

- (3) Four (4) contestants by weight classification (Consolidation of the eight weight classifications into four weight categories by combining two adjoining weight classes)

2. Systems of competition are divided as follows.

- 1) Single elimination tournament system

- 2) Round robin system

3. Taekwondo competition of the Olympic Games shall be conducted in individual competition system between contestants.

4. All International-level competitions recognized by the WTF shall be formed with participation of at least 4 countries with no less than 4 contestants in each weight class, and any weight class with less than 4 contestants cannot be recognized in the official results.

#### **Article 7. Duration of Contest**

The duration of the contest shall be three rounds of two minutes each, with a one-minute rest period between rounds.

In case of a tie score after the completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, a 4<sup>th</sup> round of two minutes will be conducted as the sudden death overtime round, after a one-minute rest period following the 3<sup>rd</sup> round.

#### **Article 8. Drawing of Lots**

1. The drawing of lots shall be conducted one day prior to the first competition in the presence of the WTF officials and the representatives of the participating nations, and the drawing of lots shall be done from Fin weight up in the English alphabetical order of the official names of the participating nations.

2. Officials shall be designated to draw lost on behalf of the officials of participating nations not present at the drawing.

3. The order of the draw may be changed according to the decision of the Head of Team meeting.

## **Article 9. Weigh-in**

1. Weigh-in of the contestants on the day of competition shall be completed on the previous day of the pertinent competition.
2. During weigh-in, the male contestant shall wear underpants and the female contestant shall wear underpants and brassiere. However, weigh-in may be conducted in the nude in the case that the contestant wishes to do so.
3. Weigh-in shall be made once, however, one more weigh-in is granted within the time limit to the contestant who did not qualify the first time.
4. So as not to be disqualified during official weigh-in, scales, the same as the official one, shall be provided at the contestants' place of accommodation or at the arena for pre-weigh-in.

## **Article 10. Procedure of the Contest**

### **1. Call for contestants**

The name of the contestants shall be announced three times beginning three minutes prior to the scheduled start of the contest. The contestant who fails to appear in the contest area within one minute after the scheduled start of the competition shall be regarded as withdrawn.

### **2. Physical and Costume Inspection**

After being called, the contestants shall undergo physical and costume inspection at the designated inspection desk by the inspector designated by the WTF, and the contestant shall not show any signs of aversion, and also shall not bear any materials which may cause harm to the other contestant.

### **3. Entering Competition Area**

After inspection, the contestant shall enter into the waiting position with one coach.

### **4. Start and end of the contest**

The contest in each round shall begin with the declaration of "Shi-jak (start)" by the referee and shall end with the declaration of "Keu-man (stop)" by the referee. Even if the referee has not declared "Keu-man", the contest shall be regarded as having ended when the prescribed time is over.

## 5. Procedure before the Beginning and after the End of the Contest

- 1) The contestants shall face each other and make a standing bow at the referee's command of "Cha-ryeot (attention)" and "Kyeong-rye (bow)". A standing bow shall be made from the natural standing posture of "Cha-ryeot" by bending the waist at an angle of more than 30 degrees with the head inclined to an angle more than 45 degrees and the fists clenched at the sides of the legs.
- 2) The referee shall start the contest by commanding "Joon-bi (ready)" and "Shi-jak (start)".
- 3) After the end of the last round, the contestants shall stand at their respective position facing each other and exchange a standing bow at the referee's command of "Cha-ryeot", "Kyeong-rye", and then wait for the referee's declaration of decision in a standing posture.
- 4) The referee shall declare the winner by raising his/her own hand to the winner's side.
- 5) Retirement of the contestants

## 6. Contest Procedure in Team Competition

- 1) Both teams shall stand facing each other in line in submitted team order towards the 1<sup>st</sup> Boundary Line from the Contestants' marks.
- 2) Procedure before the beginning and after the end of the contest shall be conducted as in Item 5 of this article.
- 3) Both teams shall leave the Contest Area and stand by at the designated area for each contestant's match.
- 4) Both teams shall line up in the Contest Area immediately after the end of the final match facing each other.
- 5) The referee shall declare the winning team by raising his/her own hand to the winning team's side

## **Article 11. Permitted Techniques and Areas**

### **1. Permitted Techniques**

- 1) Fist technique: Delivering techniques by using the front parts of the forefinger and middle finger of the tightly clenched fist.
- 2) Foot technique: Delivering techniques by using the parts of the foot below the ankle bone

### **2. Permitted Areas**

- 1) Trunk: Attack by fist and foot techniques on the areas covered by the trunk protector are permitted. However, such attacks shall not be made on the part of the spine.
- 2) Face: This area is the face excluding the back of the head, and attack by foot techniques only is permitted.

## **Article 12. Valid Points**

### **1. Legal Scoring Areas**

- 1) Mid-section of the trunk: The part covered by the trunk protector
- 2) Face: The whole part of the face including both ears

2. Points shall be awarded when permitted techniques are delivered accurately and powerfully to the legal scoring areas of the body.

3. The valid points are divided as follows.

- 1) One (1) point for attack on trunk protector
- 2) Two (2) points for attack on face
- 3) One (1) additional point shall be awarded in the event that the contestant is knocked down and the referee counts.

4. Match score shall be the sum of points of the three rounds.

5. Invalidation of points: When a contestant performs an attack to score through the use of the prohibited acts, the points scored shall be annulled.

### **Article 13. Scoring and Publication**

1. Valid points shall be immediately recorded and publicized.
2. In the use of body protectors not equipped with electronics, valid points shall be immediately marked by each judge by using the electronic scoring instrument or judge's scoring sheet.
3. In the use of electronic trunk protectors
  - 1) Valid points scored on the mid-section of the trunk shall be recorded automatically by the transmitter in the electronic trunk protector.
  - 2) Valid points scored to the face shall be marked by each judge by using the electronic scoring instrument or judge's scoring sheet.
4. In case of scoring by using the electronic scoring instrument or judge's scoring sheet, valid points shall be the ones recognized by two or more judges.

### **Article 14. Prohibited acts and Penalties**

1. Penalties on any prohibited acts shall be declared by the referee.
2. Penalties are divided into "Kyong-go (warning penalty)" and "Gam-jeom (deduction penalty)".
3. Two "Kyong-go"s shall be counted as deduction of one (1) point. However, the odd "Kyong-go" shall not be counted in the grand total.
4. A "Gam-jeom" shall be counted as minus one (-1) point.
5. Prohibited acts
  - 1) The following acts shall be classified as prohibited acts, and "Kyong-go" shall

be declared.

- a. Crossing the Boundary Line
- b. Evading by turning the back to the opponent
- c. Falling down
- d. Avoiding the match
- e. Grabbing, holding or pushing the opponent
- f. Attacking below the waist
- g. Pretending injury
- h. Butting or attacking with knee
- i. Hitting the opponent's face with the hand
- j. Uttering undesirable remarks or any misconduct on the part of a contestant or a coach

2) The following acts shall be classified as prohibited acts, and “Gam-jeom” shall be declared.

- a. Attacking the opponent after “Kal-yeo”
- b. Attacking the fallen opponent
- c. Throwing down the opponent by grappling the opponent's attacking foot in the air with the arm or by pushing the opponent with the hand
- d. Intentionally attacking the opponent's face with the hand
- e. Interrupting the progress of the match on the part of a contestant or a coach
- f. Violent or extreme remarks or behavior on the part of a contestant or a coach

6. When a contestant intentionally refuses to comply with the Competition Rules or the referee's order, the referee may declare the contestant loser by penalty after one (1) minute.

7. When a contestant receives minus four (-4) points, the referee shall declare the contestant loser by penalties.

8. “Kyong-go” and “Gam-jeom” shall be counted in the total score of the three rounds.

9. When the referee suspends a contest for declaration of ‘Kyong-go’ or ‘Gam-jeom’, the contest time shall not be counted from the moment of the referee's declaration of ‘Kye-shi’ until ‘Kye-sok’ is declared for resumption of the contest.

## **Article 15. Sudden Death and Decision of Superiority**

1. In the event of a tied score after the completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> round, the winner shall be decided by superiority of all refereeing officials. The final decision shall be based on the initiative shown during the 4th round.

## **Article 16. Decisions**

1. Win by K.O
2. Win by Referee Stop Contest (RSC)
3. Win by score or superiority
4. Win by withdrawal
5. Win by disqualification
6. Win by referee's punitive declaration

## **Article 17. Knock Down**

1. When any part of the body other than the sole of the foot touches the floor due to the force of the opponent's delivered technique.
2. When a contestant is staggered showing no intention or ability to pursue the match
3. When the referee judges that the contest cannot continue as the result of any power technique having been delivered.

## **Article 18. Procedure in the event of a Knock Down**

1. When a contestant is knocked down as the result of the opponent's legitimate attack, the referee shall take the following measures.
  - 1) The referee shall keep the attacker away from downed contestant by declaration of "Kal-yeo (break)".



- 2) The referee shall count aloud from “Ha-nah (one)” up to “Yeol (ten)” at one second interval towards the downed contestant, making hand signals indicating the passage of time.
- 3) In case the downed contestant stands up during the referee’s count and desires to continue the fight, the referee shall continue the count up to “Yeo-dul (eight)” for recovery of the downed contestant. The referee shall then determine if the contestant is recovered and, if so, continue the contest by declaration of “Kye-sok (continue)”.
- 4) When a contestant who has been knocked down cannot demonstrate the will to resume the contest by the count of “Yeo-dul (eight)”, the referee shall announce the other contestant winner by K.O.
- 5) The count shall be continued even after the end of the round or the expiration of the match time
- 6) In case both contestants are knocked down, the referee shall continued counting as long as one of the contestants has not sufficiently recovered.
- 7) When both contestants fail to recover by the count of “Yeol”, the winner shall be decided upon the match score before the occurrence of Knock Down.
- 8) When it is judged by the referee that a contestant is unable to continue, the referee may decide the winner either without counting or during the counting.

## 2. Procedures to be followed after the contest

Any contestant suffering a knockout as the result of a blow to the head will not be allowed to compete for the next 30 days. Before entering a new contest after 30 days, the contestant must be examined by a medical doctor designated by the National Taekwondo Association, who must certify that the contestant is recovered and able to compete.

## **Article 19. Procedures for suspending the match**

When a contestant is to be stopped due to the injury of one or both contestants, the referee shall take the following measures, while in case of the situation which warrants suspending the contest beyond the prescribed procedure, the referee shall declare “Shi-gan (time)” and resume the contest by declaring “Kye-sok (continue)”.

1. The referee shall suspend the contest by declaration of “Kal-yeo” and order the recorders to suspend the time keeping by announcing “Kye-shi (suspend)”.
2. The referee shall allow the contestant to receive first aid within one minute.

3. The contestant who does not demonstrate the will to continue the contest after one minute, even in the case of a slight injury, shall be declared loser by the referee.
4. In case resumption of the contest is impossible after one minute, the contestant causing the injury by a prohibited act to be penalized by “Gam-jeom” shall be declared loser.
5. In case both the contestants are knocked down and are unable to continue the contest after one minute, the winner shall be decided upon points scored before the injuries occurred.
6. When it is judged that a contestant’s health is at risk due to losing consciousness of falling in an apparently dangerous condition, the referee shall suspend the contest immediately and order first aid to be administered. The referee shall declare as loser, the contestant causing the injury if it is deemed to have resulted from a prohibited attack to be penalized by “Gam-jeom”, or in the case the attack was not deemed to be penalized by “Gam-jeom”, shall decide the winner on the basis of the score of the match before suspension of the time.

## **Article 20. Refereeing Officials**

### **1. Qualifications**

Holders of International Referee Certificate registered by the WTF

### **2. Duties**

#### **1) Referee**

- (1) The referee shall have control over the match]
- (2) The referee shall declare “Shi-jak”, “Keu-man”, “Kal-yeo”, “Kye-sok” and “Kye-shi”, winner and loser, deduction of points, warnings and retiring. All the referees’ declarations shall be made when the results are confirmed.
- (3) The referee shall have the right to make decisions independently in accordance with the prescribed rules.
- (4) The referee shall not award points.
- (5) In case of a tie or scoreless match, the decision of superiority shall be made by all refereeing officials after the end of three rounds in accordance with Article 15.2.

## 2) Judges

- (1) The judges shall mark the valid points immediately.
- (2) The judges shall state their opinions forthrightly when requested by the referee.

## 3. Responsibility for Judgement

Decisions made by the referees and judges shall be conclusive and they shall be responsible to the Board of Arbitration for those decisions.

## 4. Uniform of the Refereeing Officials

- 1) The referees and judges shall wear the uniform designated by the WTF.
- 2) The refereeing officials shall not carry or take any materials to the arena which might interfere with the contest.

## **Article 21. Recorder**

The recorder shall time the contest and periods of time-out, suspension, and also shall record and publicize the awarded points, and/or deduction of points.

## **Article 22. Assignment of Refereeing Officials**

### 1. Composition of Refereeing Officials

- 1) In the use of non-electronic trunk protector: The officials are composed of one (1) referee and three (3) judges.
- 2) In the use of electronic trunk protector: The officials are composed of one (1) referee and two (2) judges.

### 2. Assignment of Refereeing Officials

- 1) The assignment of the referees and judges shall be made after the contest schedule is fixed.
- 2) Referees and judges with the same nationality as that of either contestant shall not be assigned to such a contest. However, an exception shall be made for the

judges when the number of refereeing officials is insufficient as the case may be.

### **Article 23. Other matters not specified in the Rules**

In the case that any matters not specified in the Rules occur, they shall be dealt with as follows.

1. Matters related to the competition shall be decided through consensus by the refereeing officials of the pertinent contest.
2. Matters not related to the specific contest shall be decided by the Executive Council or its proxy.
3. The Organizing Committee shall prepare a video tape recorder at each court for recording and preservation of the match process.

### **Article 24. Arbitration and Sanction**

#### **1. Composition of the Board of Arbitration**

- 1) Qualification of the members: Members of Executive Council of the WTF or person with sufficient Taekwondo experience recommended by the WTF President or Secretary General. One Technical Delegate shall be the Ex-officio member.
- 2) Composition: One Chairman and less than six members plus the Technical Delegate
- 3) The Chairman and members of the Board of Arbitration will be appointed by the WTF President on the recommendation of the WTF Secretary General

2. Responsibility: The Board of Arbitration shall make corrections of misjudgements according to their decision regarding protests and take disciplinary action against the officials committing the misjudgement or any illegal behavior and the results of which shall be sent to the Secretariat of the WTF. The Board of Arbitration shall also be entitled the Extraordinary Committee of Sanction concurrently at the competition for the matters in relation to competition management.

#### **3. Procedure of Protest**

- 1) In case there is an objection to a referee judgement, an official delegate of the team must submit an application for re-evaluation of decision (protest application) together with the prescribed fee to the Board of Arbitration within 10 minutes after pertinent contest.
- 2) Deliberation of re-evaluation shall be carried out excluding those members with the same nationality as that of either contestant concerned, and resolution on deliberation shall be made by majority.
- 3) The members of the Board of Arbitration may summon the refereeing officials for confirmation of events.
- 4) The resolution made by the Board of Arbitration will be final and no further means of appeal will be applied.

#### 4. Procedure of Sanction

- 1) The WTF President or Secretary General (in case of their absence, the Technical Delegate) may request the Extraordinary Committee of Sanction for deliberation when any of the following behaviors are committed by a coach or a contestant.
  - a. Interfering with the management of contest
  - b. Stirring up the spectators or spreading false rumor
- 2) When judged reasonable, the Extraordinary Committee of Sanction shall deliberate over the matter and take disciplinary action immediately. The result of deliberation shall be announced to the public and reported to the WTF Secretariat afterwards.
- 3) The Extraordinary Committee of Sanction may summon the person concerned for confirmation of events.

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1) Article 7, Duration of Contest, and Article 15, Sudden Death and Decision of Superiority, shall be in effect as of April 13, 2005 during the 17<sup>th</sup> (10<sup>th</sup> Women's) World Taekwondo Championships.

2) Following Articles shall take effect during the first officially promoted WTF event of World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships 2006 to be held on May 4-9, 2006.

Article 3.1 Competition Area

Article 3.2 Competition Area

Article 4.2 Contestant

Article 13.4 Scoring and Publication

Article 16.3 Decisions

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