



## WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Taekwondo friends,

With pride and pleasure, I invite you and your team to join the WT G1 ranked event **Bulgaria Open**, which will be held in Sofia, Bulgaria on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2024.

The event is taking place just a few days before the **European Qualification Tournament for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games**, an event which will be hosted also in Sofia! That is a great opportunity for you and your team! As an Olympic year, we know well how important is the best performance of the athletes. Therefore, we will do our best to provide great conditions to all participants.

I am sure, your teams will enjoy the hospitality of the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation and you will have a marvelous time in Sofia!

Good luck to all the teams!

Yours,

Slavi Binev

President of the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation

Vice President of the European Taekwondo Union



# BULGARIA OPEN 2024

## WT G1

### INTERNATIONAL KYORUGI TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT

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**Grade:** Seniors – **G1** event  
Juniors and Cadets – **E1** event

**Dates:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2024

**Place:** Sports Complex “Asics Arena”  
Address: Sofia, Bulgaria; street "Manastirska" 35, 1111

**Map:** <https://goo.gl/maps/i6VT43Aven7o6pjS7>

**Application Deadline:** 23:59 Local time in Bulgaria (GMT +2) on 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2024

**Online Registration:** <https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com>

**Entry fee and Payment:** Regular entry – 150 € per competitor applied and **paid by bank** till 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2024  
Late registration – 200 € per competitor applied and **paid by bank** after 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2024, in case OC approves the subscription.  
Entry fee **paid in cash** – 200 € per applied competitor.

If an athlete registered online through the WT registration system does not take part in the competition for some reason, but he/she has not been removed from the list of participants before the deadline (15.02.2024), his/her team official must fully (100%) pay his/her entry fee for participation. **The Organizing Committee does not refund entry fees paid.**



All entry fees must be paid no later than 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 to the following bank account:

**Recipient:** Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation  
**Name of Bank:** First Investment Bank, Bulgaria  
**IBAN:** BG42 FINV 9150 10E0 0750 35  
**BIC:** FINVBGSF

Reason for payment: *Team name + BOK2024*

All payments by bank transfer have to be done without any deduction of expenses. When the wire transfer is set, **mark option "OUR"**. Any costs of the bank transfer must be paid by the sender otherwise the team representatives will be charged at the Registration desk.

**A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to:**

E-Mail: [office@taekwondo-bulgaria.org](mailto:office@taekwondo-bulgaria.org)

Applications without a copy of the transfer are invalid.

**Modification of a category:** *will be possible only at the Registration desk, **before the official weigh-in attempt of the respective athlete**. A processing fee of **30 €** for each modification, paid in cash will apply.*

Each on-site approved additional request for an accreditation card (new or reprinted) or registration of team officials on the top of the allowed quotas will be **charged 30 €**.

**Competition Rules:** The latest WT-approved Competition Rules & Interpretation will apply.

**Protector and Scoring System:** KPNP. Electronic socks will be available at a KPNP booth in the venue.

For all Cadets' events – regular electronic headgear will be used – **no face shield will apply**. All competitors must use WT-approved equipment.

**Instant Video Replay:** ReStrike. Livestream will be provided for all courts.

**OVR:** Taekoplan SenSoft Automation.

**Conditions of participation:** All Athletes & Officials must hold a valid 2024 WT Global Licence and must be a member of a National Taekwondo Federation affiliated with the WT. **Onsite registration for a WT Global License will be not possible**. GL registration must be done in advance.

All contestants have to prove their age and nationality by presenting a national ID or passport at weigh-in, if requested.

Those who are not recognized as adults by law in their own country must submit a passport or identification card together with written consent (liability declaration) of their parents or lawful guardian accepting the participation and all parts of the official invitation.



**Method of competition:** Single elimination tournament system. Best of three (3) systems.

**Contest time:**

- Seniors – 2(3) rounds x 2 minutes with 1 minute break
- Juniors and Cadets: 2(3) rounds x 1,5 minute with 1 minute break

*The contest time is subject to change by the appointed for the event WT Technical Delegate.*

**Age Groups:**

- Seniors: born in 2007 or earlier (WT G1 ranking)
- Juniors: born in 2007, 2008, 2009 (E1 ranking)
- Cadets: born in 2010, 2011 and 2012 (E1 ranking)

*Athletes born in 2007 could compete in Juniors and in Seniors.*

**Categories:**

**Seniors Male:** -54kg, -58kg, -63kg, -68kg, -74kg, -80kg, -87kg, +87kg;

**Seniors Female:** -46kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -62kg, -67kg, -73kg, +73kg;

**Juniors Male:** -45kg, -48kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, -73kg, -78kg, +78kg;

**Junior Female:** -42kg, -44kg, -46kg, -49kg, -52kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, +68kg;

**Cadets Male:** -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -45kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -61kg, -65kg, +65kg;

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

**Competition schedule:**

**02.03.2024 – All Cadets and Juniors Events**

**03.03.2024 – All Seniors Events**

**Seeding:** The latest available WT (for Seniors) and ETU (for Juniors and Cadets) Rankings will apply. The seeding percentage that will apply will be based on the appointed WT Technical Delegate decision.

**Recognized brands:** Participating contestants are required to wear WT-recognized doboks, belts and WT-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html>

**Liability:** All competitors participate at their own risk. The online registration implies that the competitors agree to assume all responsibility for themselves and to release all other parties from any and all liability which may directly or indirectly result. The organizer is in no way responsible for any damage caused to a person or their belongings.

**Awards:** Medals for the places 1 to 3 individual results. Team cups will be awarded to the three best teams in each division. The team ranking is based on the following point system:

1. Every gold medal – 120 points;
2. Every silver medal – 50 points;
3. Every bronze medal – 20 points;
4. 1 point per each contestant who entered the competition area after passing the general weigh-in;
5. 1 point per each win (win by a bye included)



**Coaches:** WT Level I Coach certificate or above is mandatory for officiating as a coach at the event. For every five contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of four coaches. Every additional coach above the maximum allowed number should pay **30 €** admission. During the registration, the Head of the team or the coach will receive all the team's credentials. Entry at the venue or weigh-in will be possible only by holding an accreditation card. The following accreditations will be provided to team members on request to the OC:

POSITION	Max. no. of members	
	MALE TEAM	FEMALE TEAM
Head of team		1
Manager	1	1
Coach	1 per 5 athletes	1 per 5 athletes
Trainer	2	2
Team Medical Staff	3	3
Contestants	unlimited	unlimited

The Trainers **will not** be allowed to the Field of Play.

**Protest:** Only the official coach is allowed to protest, immediately after the end of the contest. An amount of € 200 (Euro) will have to be paid for each protest. The decision of the referee chairman is final.

**Referees:** All referees will be contacted and invited by the Referee Chair of the event. Hotel and Full board accommodation will be provided for the International referees from 1<sup>st</sup> of March till 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2024.

**Visa:** Teams and individuals who require a visa to enter Bulgaria should be aware that there is no possibility for a Visa-upon-arrival application. Therefore, all participants have to check the visa requirements for entering Bulgaria and apply on time consulting with the Bulgarian Embassy appointed for the respective country. The Organizing Committee will assist all visa appliers by issuing visa invitation letters, once the Accommodation booking is completed. Unfortunately, the OC cannot speed up visa applications or contact embassies on behalf of visa applicants.

Deadline for Visa application form (Appendix 1) submission – 19<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.

**Accommodation:** The OC might recommend a Hotel for your team's accommodation. In case needed, please send an email to: [accommodation@taekwondo-bulgaria.org](mailto:accommodation@taekwondo-bulgaria.org).

**Transportation:** The OC is recommending the company Intercars BG to assist with your local ground transportation in Sofia. You can fill up the Transportation form, available on WT GMS, and provide it to [info@intercars.bg](mailto:info@intercars.bg).

## EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	PROCEDURE	PLACE
01.03.2024	10:00-13:00	Registration for all days	Sports Complex "Asics Arena"
	13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
	14:00-19:00	Registration for all days	
	14:00-20:00	General Weigh-in for athletes competing on 02.03	
	21:00-22:00	Draw of lots and Publication	
			<a href="https://tpss.eu">https://tpss.eu</a>
02.03.2024	07:00	Random Weigh-in selection and Publication	Sports Complex "Asics Arena"
	08:00	Random Weigh-in	
	09:00	Competition's start for <b>Cadets and Juniors athletes</b>	
	10:00-15:00	Registration for the second competition day	
	13:00	Opening Ceremony	
	14:00-16:00	General Weigh-in for <b>Seniors</b>	
	17:00-19:00	Semi-finals, Finals and Awarding Ceremony	
03.03.2024	07:00	Random Weigh-in Selection and Publication	Sports Complex "Asics Arena"
	08:00	Random Weigh-in	
	09:00	Competition's start for <b>Senior athletes</b>	
	17:00-19:00	Semi-finals, Finals and Awarding Ceremony	
04.03.2024	All day	Departure	

*The Organizers reserve the right to make modifications in the outline if necessary.*



**DECLARATION OF CONSENT**

As legal guardian I herewith declare my consent that ..... may participate as an active player at  
*(Given and Surname of the athlete)*  
the following championship:

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*I do know that Taekwondo is a Full Contact Competition Sport, where injuries cannot be excluded. Neither the organizer nor the promoter of the event can be held responsible for any damages or injuries and therefore I declare that there exists a valid insurance that will cover the costs of possible injuries of the athlete above or that I will accept all costs in connection with possible injuries or damages by myself.*

Name of Guardian

Point of Relationship

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Date Signature

Signature

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