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## **WELCOME**

Dear Athletes, Coaches & Spectators,

**Once again I invite you to Manchester for the 2015 British Taekwondo National Championships. This annual event will take place over the weekend of 12th and 13th September 2015 at the National Cycling Centre in Sportcity, Manchester.**

Everyone who is a valid member of British Taekwondo is very welcome and encouraged to take part.

We anticipate another record number of entries this year, so please get your applications in early through the online registration system.

As usual we have the Advanced athlete divisions on the Saturday, using PSS Electronic Body Protector systems, whilst on the Sunday there are weight and grade categories on offer for novice and all other ability levels. Remember, you have to be in it to win it!

Another first for 2015, is the introduction of Para-Taekwondo to the Nationals Championships as we recognise it's inclusion as a Paralympic sport in 2020.

Come on down to Manchester for a great weekend of Taekwondo action, rub shoulders with some of our current World Class athletes challenging for places in Rio, and support our younger Olympic stars of the future!

We look forward to seeing everyone in September and wish all athletes the best of luck with their training in the run up to the competition.  
Yours sincerely,

**Adrian Tranter** OBE  
President





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## 01 EVENT OVERVIEW

### COMPETITION HALL:

National Cycling Centre  
Stuart Street,  
Manchester M11 4DQ

To find the National Cycling Centre,  
please visit  
[www.nationalcyclingcentre.com](http://www.nationalcyclingcentre.com)

### COMPETITION DATE:

**Saturday 12th September  
& Sunday 13th September  
2015**

## 02 TIMETABLE

The event timetable can be downloaded  
at [www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk](http://www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

This timetable is subject to change,  
please check regularly.

## 03 CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

All participants must be members of  
British Taekwondo.  
All competitors must be a UK resident.

Advanced athletes wishing to be considered  
for the Great Britain national team must also  
be a UK passport holder.

### MEMBERSHIP

All competitors and coaches must **bring and show** an up-to-date copy of their **valid membership at registration**.

Unfortunately, any competitor or coach who fails to produce their valid membership for inspection at registration cannot take part in the competition. Any entry fees cannot be refunded in this case.

We urge all participants to make arrangements now, to ensure their memberships are up-to-date and in your possession well before the competition dates.

If you have any issues about membership, please ask your club coach/instructor to contact British Taekwondo membership services.





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## 04 WEIGHT DIVISIONS

### SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2015

#### **ADVANCED CHILD 2nd KUP & above**

born in 2004 or later

Child Male: -20kg -23kg -26kg -30kg -34kg -38kg -43kg -48kg -53kg +53kg

Child Female: -20kg -23kg -26kg -30kg -34kg -38kg -43kg -48kg -53kg +53kg

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#### **ADVANCED CADETS 2nd KUP & above**

born in 2001, 2002, 2003

Cadet Male: -33kg -37kg -41kg -45kg -49kg -53kg -57kg -61kg -65kg +65kg

Cadet Female: -29kg -33kg -37kg -41kg -44kg -47kg -51kg -55kg -59kg +59kg

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#### **ADVANCED JUNIORS 2nd KUP and above**

born in 1998, 1999, 2000

Junior Male: -45kg -48kg -51kg -55kg -59kg -63kg -68kg -73kg -78kg +78kg

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

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#### **ADVANCED SENIORS 2nd KUP and above**

born 1998 or before

Senior Male: -54kg -58kg -63kg -68kg -74kg -80kg -87kg +87kg

Senior Female: -46kg -49kg -53kg -57kg -62kg -67kg -73kg +73kg

#### **GAL**

In line with ETU policy, all competitors in the Senior Advanced Category must have a valid GAL card. Any competitor entered into the Senior Advanced category, who is not in possession of a valid GAL card will not be allowed to compete under any circumstances.

Any member who needs to apply for a GAL card, should do so at the latest by 31st July 2015.

GAL applications should be sent from your club/association secretary to: Sophie Threlfall, British TKD Membership Services, Dept 4, Tinshill Lane, Leeds. LS16 7AP.

Email address: [sophie.threlfall@britishtaekwondo.org](mailto:sophie.threlfall@britishtaekwondo.org)

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#### **VETERANS 8th KUP and above**

born 1980 or before

Senior Male: -58kg -68kg -80kg +80kg

Senior Female: -49kg -57kg -67kg +67kg

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Weight categories may be combined if less than 4 athletes enter a single division.

#### **ALL MATCHES TO BE 3 x 2 MINUTE ROUNDS**

• Juniors born in 1998 may also compete in the Senior event in addition to the Junior group. An additional online entry and fee should be submitted.

• For the first time in 2015, all advanced Cadet, Junior and Senior categories will be seeded, based upon league tables taken from participation at the following UK competitions:

• 2014 British Taekwondo National Championships

• 2014 Commonwealth Championships

• 2015 NTC Open Championships (2nd/3rd May 2015)

• 2015 Dome Open Championships (5th July 2015)

• 2015 British Open International (12th July 2015)

• 2015 Liverpool Open Championships (26th July 2015)

• 2015 Ultimate Open Championships (16th August 2015)

• All seeded groups shall have 4 seeded players, those being the top 4 ranked players in each weight group of the player league as at August 31st 2015.

• Registered teams will be advised of the points structure during May 2015.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

• Daedo Electronic Body Protector systems will be used for all athletes competing in Senior Advanced, Junior Advanced, Cadet Advanced, Child Advanced and Veteran categories.

#### **THESE ATHLETES MUST BRING THEIR OWN DAEDO SOCKS.**

• If you do not have these socks, please contact: [goldforce@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:goldforce@tiscali.co.uk)



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## **04 WEIGHT DIVISIONS** *continued*

### **SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2015**

#### **CHILD 8th KUP to 3rd KUP**

*born in 2004 or later*

Child Male: -20kg -23kg -26kg -30kg -34kg -38kg -43kg -48kg -53kg +53kg

Child Female: -20kg -23kg -26kg -30kg -34kg -38kg -43kg -48kg -53kg +53kg

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#### **CADETS 8th KUP to 3rd KUP**

*born in 2001, 2002, 2003*

Cadet Male: -33kg -37kg -41kg -45kg -49kg -53kg -57kg -61kg -65kg +65kg

Cadet Female: -29kg -33kg -37kg -41kg -44kg -47kg -51kg -55kg -59kg +59kg

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#### **JUNIORS 8th KUP to 3rd KUP**

*born in 1998, 1999, 2000*

Junior Male: -45kg -48kg -51kg -55kg -59kg -63kg -68kg -73kg -78kg +78kg

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

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#### **SENIORS 8th KUP to 3rd KUP**

*born 1998 or before*

Senior Male: -54kg -58kg -63kg -68kg -74kg -80kg -87kg +87kg

Senior Female: -46kg -49kg -53kg -57kg -62kg -67kg -73kg +73kg

Juniors born in 1998 may also compete in the Senior event in addition to the Junior group.

In the above case, an additional entry form and fee should be submitted.

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#### **THIS YEAR FOR THE FIRST TIME WE ARE DELIGHTED AND EXCITED TO INVITE PARA-TAEKWONDO ATHLETES TO TAKE PART IN THE BRITISH TAEKWONDO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Kyorugi is contested in two WTF Para-Classes, K40 for athletes with upper limb deficiency and K60 for deaf/hearing impaired athletes.

#### **SENIORS 8th KUP and above**

*Born 1998 or before*

Senior Male: -61kg -75kg +75kg

Senior Female: -49kg -58kg +58kg

In the case of insufficient numbers of athletes, classes and divisions may be combined.

Classification of Para-Athletes will take place on the Saturday from 10am with the competition taking place on the Sunday under WTF Para-Taekwondo Rules & Regulations.

**Be the first to be a British National Para-Taekwondo Champion! ALL MATCHES TO BE 3 x 1 1/2 MINUTE ROUNDS**



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## **05 APPLICATIONS**

All applications are to be made online at Martial Arts Registration Online. [www.ma-regonline.com](http://www.ma-regonline.com)

Please note: we will allow changes in competitor weight groups should a player fail the weigh-in (subject to an administration fee of £10.00 payable at the time of the weigh-in).

In addition, groups with single competitors will be combined with adjoining weight groups to ensure that all players will have the opportunity to compete.

All coaches are responsible for ensuring their players weight and entry details are correct as no refunds will be given should any player be disqualified or not wish to pay the administration fee to move weight groups. All information must be entered when registering players. Any player found not to have entered membership numbers and all other requested information will be removed from the system.

Any players remaining in the online system at the deadline will be responsible for paying the full entry fee even if that player does not compete.

Following the entry deadline, any changes may only be made at registration/weigh-in.

## **06 CLOSING DATE**

The closing date for applications is 21.00 on Friday 4th September 2015. Payment must be received by the closing date.

## **07 COACH ACCREDITATION**

One (1) coach will be accredited for every team entering up to five (5) competitors. For each subsequent group of five (5) competitors entered, an additional coach pass will be issued. There can be a maximum of six (6) coaches per team. Additional coaching passes may be purchased for £20 by completing a coaches' application online for each additional pass required. This must be done at the same time as you pay entry fees.

The minimum age for a coach must be 18 years. Coaches will only be permitted at ringside in appropriate sportswear, no shorts.

All coaches must hold a current British Taekwondo membership and Instructors Indemnity Insurance. Coach's passes will only be issued if the coach's membership information is completed in full online. All coaches will be asked to present their membership and indemnity insurance documents at registration and must collect their passes personally. Unfortunately, we cannot issue passes to any coach who does not present their membership and indemnity documents.

All coaches must register online prior to the deadline date. Once this deadline has passed no further coaches will be added. All information must be given online or coaches will be removed from the system.





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## **08 REGISTRATION, WEIGH IN & DRAW**

### **Registration & Weigh-In**

For all competitors competing on Saturday 12th September & Sunday 13th September, the registration & weigh-in will be on Friday 11th September from 4pm until 8pm.

There will be no further weigh-in for any of the Saturday weight groups.

For all competitors competing on Sunday 13th September, a further registration & weigh-in will be held on Saturday 12th September from 4pm until 6pm.

**There will be no weigh-in on Sunday morning.**

Athletes are advised to consult British Taekwondo's Policy on Making Weight for Training and Competition.

### **Drawing of Lots**

The drawing of lots for Saturday's weight groups will take place at the official referee hotel at approximately 9.00pm following completion of the weigh-in. A further drawing of lots for Sunday's weight groups will take place at the venue on Saturday at approximately 6pm following the completion of the weigh-in.

A full set of draw sheets will be made available for any coaches and will be posted online at [www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk](http://www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

## **09 COMPETITION RULES**

Full WTF Competition Rules will be applied.

Senior Advanced, Junior Advanced, Cadet Advanced, Child Advanced and Veteran players will be provided with a Daedo Electronic body protector. All other athletes must provide their own standard non-electronic body protector.

Senior Advanced athletes must also hold a valid GAL licence.

## **10 DOPING CONTROL**

Doping Control at the National Championships may be conducted according to the World Anti-Doping Code and the list of Prohibited Substances and Methods in force at the time of the event.

The Organising Committee may carry out doping tests among the participating athletes at random. Any athlete who refuses to undergo testing or who proves to have committed a breach of this regulation shall be removed from the final standings and shall be subject to a disciplinary action.

## **11 AWARDS**

Awards will be presented to all tournament champions and 2nd and 3rd places. Team trophies will also be presented for the overall team winners.







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## 12 EQUIPMENT

Senior Advanced, Junior Advanced, Cadet Advanced, Child Advanced and Veteran players will be provided with a Daedo Electronic body protector. All other athletes must provide their own standard non-electronic body protector.

All players must wear the required protective equipment: WTF recognised head guard in Red or Blue Colour - WHITE HEADGEAR IS NO LONGER PERMITTED, WTF recognised body protector, groin guard, shin guards, arm guards, hand gloves and a clear or white gum shield.

A list of companies which supply WTF-recognised protective equipment can be found on the WTF website: [www.wtf.org](http://www.wtf.org)

All contestants will be required to proceed to the inspection desk for officials to check their dobok and protective equipment before entering the competition area.

Any contestant wearing unofficial equipment will not be permitted to compete.

## 13 APPEALS

Appeals will be dealt with on court, during individual matches, using a coaches card system. Full details of this process will be given to coaches at the event briefing.

## 14 LIABILITY

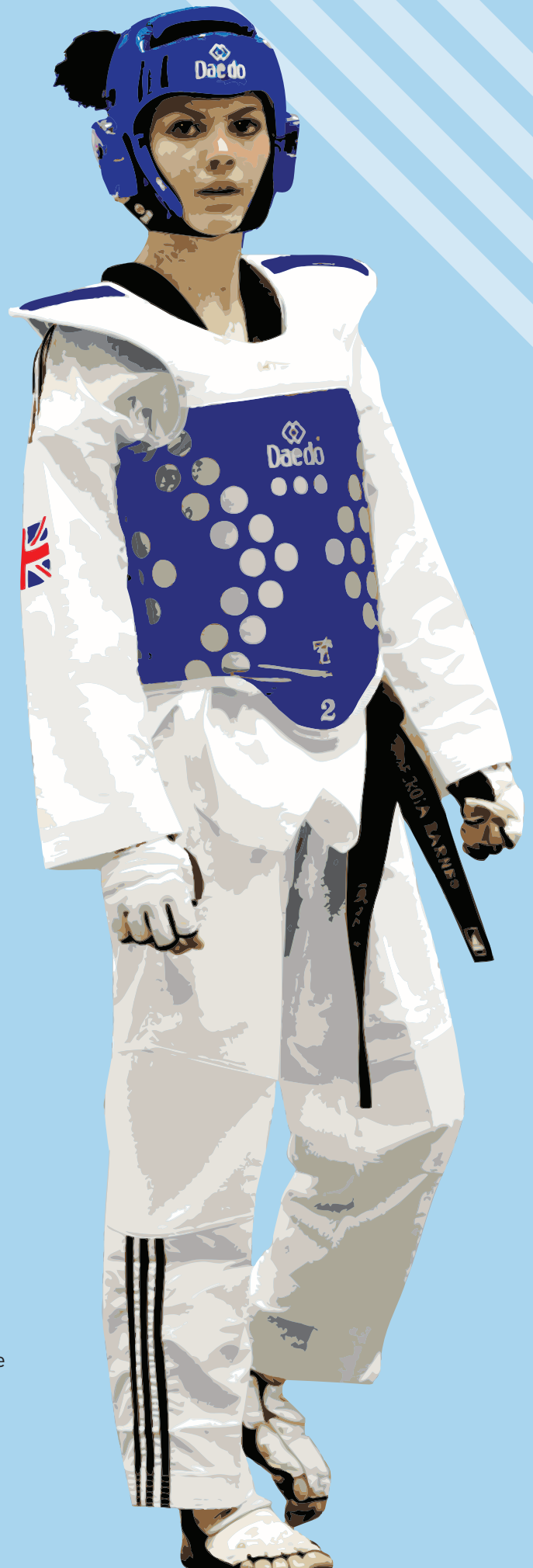
All competitors are considered to be participating at their own risk. British Taekwondo and the organiser assume no responsibility for any damages, injuries or losses.

By submitting a competitor or coach application you are confirming that you are fit and able to take part in this WTF Taekwondo competition and do not suffer from any illness or condition that would prevent you from taking part.

You also agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of British Taekwondo.

## 15 IDENTIFICATION

All competitors and coaches must bring & show an up-to-date copy of their valid membership at registration. Unfortunately, any competitor or coach who fails to produce their valid membership for inspection at registration cannot take part in the competition.





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## 16 ENTRY & PAYMENT

**The entry fee for each contestant is £49.00**

Entry fees must be paid in advance to the following bank account:

<b>To:</b>	Sport Taekwondo UK Ltd
<b>Bank:</b>	Natwest, Market Place, Loughborough, LE11 3NZ, UK
<b>Sort code:</b>	601410
<b>Account number:</b>	52696103
<b>IBAN:</b>	GB30 NWBK 6014 1052 6961 03
<b>SWIFT:</b>	NWBK GB 2L

Please ensure that all payments are made on or before Friday 4th September by bank transfer.

Any payment by cheque should be made payable to Sport Taekwondo UK and should be sent to the Organising Committee office, detailed in Item 24.

Please put the competitors or club name in the reference section of the payment. Any transfer fees (if there are any) should also be paid by you.

No refunds will be provided by the OC for none competing athletes who have already applied.

Any team or individual that fails to make payment before the deadline will be removed from the system on the 4th September and will not be re-added.

Payment will not be accepted at registration.

## 17 SPECTATORS

Tickets are available on the door - cash only.

**ADULTS** £12 per day (16 year olds and older)

**CHILDREN** £7 per day (15 years old and below)





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## **18 ACCOMMODATION**

The Accor Hotel Group is the hotel partner for the National Taekwondo Championships 2015.

Accor Hotels have a number of options to suit all budgets within Manchester and the surrounding areas.

The **Ibis Budget Hotel on Pollard Street** is a modern budget hotel within an easy tram ride to the event venue, the National Cycling Centre. Twin and double rooms are available as well as double rooms with a single bunk bed above, ideal for families. All rooms are en-suite and a continental breakfast is available.

For a full service economy hotel, Accor can offer two **Ibis Hotels in the city centre, Portland Street and Princess Street.**

Ibis Hotels offer twin, double and family rooms (with a single sofa bed) and evening meal options as well as a full English breakfast.

For a 3 star property in easy reach of the main railway station, the **Mercure Manchester Piccadilly** is ideal. This hotel offers on-site car parking, double, twin and family rooms and full English breakfast.

And for a 4 star hotel in Manchester, try the **Novotel Hotel on Portland Street**, which is perfect for guests preferring leisure facilities, a gym, sauna and steam room are all on-site. Novotel bedrooms can be double/twin and also have a double sofa bed.

Further outside the city centre we have a **Novotel Hotel at Worsley** (Manchester West), which has parking on-site free of charge as well as an on-site gym. All hotels offer loyalty points via our Le Club Accorhotels scheme.

## **19 REFEREES**

International & National referees wishing to participate in this event, please contact our Referee chairman at [brian.tilley@britishtaekwondo.org](mailto:brian.tilley@britishtaekwondo.org)

The closing date for referee application is 3rd August 2015. Successful referees will be notified by 14th August 2015.

The cost of room and board is covered. All other costs are the responsibility of each referee.





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## **20 MEDIA ACCREDITATION**

To apply for media accreditation please contact: [events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk](mailto:events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

## **21 VOLUNTEERING**

If you would like to contribute to the success of this event, there are many volunteering opportunities available. For a full list of roles and to download application forms, please visit the GB Taekwondo website and follow the National Championships links to the Volunteers pages.

## **22 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING**

By registering to compete at the event you are agreeing to have your image taken whilst in the Venue by both the press and members of the public. In addition, you are agreeing to have your image shown on video, TV and online.

## **23 QUESTIONS**

If you have a question that is not covered in this invitation please email the Organising Committee at [events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk](mailto:events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

## **24 CONTACT**

2015 British Taekwondo National Championships  
Organising Committee  
Sport Taekwondo UK Ltd, Excel House, Etihad Campus  
Rowsley Street, Manchester M11 3FF  
Tel: 0161 230 1132  
Email: [events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk](mailto:events@gbtaekwondo.co.uk)  
Webpage: [www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk](http://www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

## **25 UPDATES**

For regular event information and updates, please visit the event website at [www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk](http://www.gbtaekwondo.co.uk)

