



9th Annual TAE Senior/Junior Championships Saturday 18th November 2017

Dear Masters / Instructor,

It is with great pleasure that you and your students are invited to the 9th Annual TAE Senior/Junior Championships, to be held on Saturday 18th November, 2017 at:

Walker Activity Dome
Wharrier Street
Newcastle upon Tyne
Tyne and Wear
NE6 3BR
Tel: 0191 278 2800

<http://activenewcastle.co.uk/venue/walker-activity-dome/>

The competition is open to all ITF Taekwon-Do students (Strictly no Kickboxers) white belts and above, adults and juniors from all TAE schools and others by personal invitation only.

The competition will be run using ITF rules with some amendments to accommodate age and competitor levels.

We would appreciate it if all instructors could personally verify the weights and heights of competitors to help us ensure safety and help with the smooth running of the day. All competitors must wear a white ITF Dobok.

We will try to separate competitors from the same schools in the early rounds to enhance the experience wherever possible.

To assist with the smooth running of the Tournament, we kindly ask all schools/associations entering the competition to provide officials. It's always a long day for the officials as our competition attracts 300+ competitors from both North & South of the UK. The more Officials we have the more breaks they get and the more rings we have working, which helps towards an early finish for everyone who travel a long way. Ringside refreshments and Officials buffet will be supplied as we very grateful for your time and support.

Coaches are not a requirement but are welcomed, however we respectfully ask that all coaches are to be colour belt TKD students as Black Belts will be required to officiate.

Please advertise the event at your school using the event poster attached and pass on the relevant entry form to your students. The closing date for this competition is Saturday 4th November 2017 and all school entry forms and payment must be received by this date.

We look forward to working with you all and thank you in advance for your support.
Yours in TaeKwon-Do,

Master Anthony Mckenna VII
Tournament Director

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1.0 VENUE, DATES AND ACCOMMODATION

1.1 Dates

The competition will be held on Saturday 18th November 2017. **All competitors must be pre-registered and paid by Saturday 4th November 2017.**

1.2 Venue

The competition will be held at:

Walker Activity Dome

Wharrier Street
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1.3 Parking

There are 160 Parking bays

1.4 Accommodation.

The nearest Premier Inn in 2.4 km from the venue

<http://www.premierinn.com/en/hotel/NEWMTI/newcastle-city-centre-millennium-bridge>

Also there is a wide variety of accommodation in the area to suit all budgets. Visit <http://www.visitnewcastlegateshead.com> for details and availability.

1.5 Schedule

Depending on numbers, the competition will run based on this approximate schedule. Please note times are subject to change:

8:00-9:00 am.	Registration
9:00 am.	Officials Briefing (competitors begin lining up)
9:15 am.	Opening Ceremony and presentation of participation medals
9:30 am.	Competition Starts
7.00 pm.	Competition Finish (Approximately)

2.0 TOURNAMENT ENTRY GUIDELINES

2.1 Competitor Entry Form

Please distribute this form to your students, which they should complete and sign. Use this form to complete the school entry form. Please ensure that once forms are returned to you they are signed, accurate and filled out correctly. Please do not send this form through the post, but hand the individual entry forms in at registration on the day of the competition in one envelope; with the name of the school and instructor printed on the front of the envelope.

2.2 School Entry Form

Transfer all data from the competitor entry form to the school entry form. All competitor registrations / bracketing of events will be taken from this form, so please ensure the data is correct. Mistakes will incur a further charge or result in disqualification. Please send this form by e mail only.

Please list the names of the officials (and their respective ranks) you will be sending to officiate on the day. Also indicate "Umpire" or "Referee".

Please include your postal address and we will send entry wrist bands for competitors and spectators prior to the event.

2.3 Competitor and Spectator Registration

Competitors are to report to the check in desks upon arrival at the competition. The check in desks will be the "Tournament Ring Numbers". Each school/association will be allocated a ring number on arrival. Please ensure all competitors and spectators are wearing their wrist bands before entering the Hall. Spectators will report to a separate check in desk at the entrance.

2.4 Competitor Requirements

Instructors must coach their competitors to the required standard of each event and assume responsibility for the choice of event for each individual. This competition is open to TAE members and other ITF Schools/Associations by personal invitation only. **Strictly no Kickboxers**

All competitors must wear a **White ITF Dobok**. Individual School belt systems (coloured stripes etc.) can be worn however instructors must ensure all students are entered into correct ITF Kup category.

2.5 Injury Liability and Insurance

All competitors must be in possession of a valid TAE/Association licence / insurance coverage as the host is not responsible for any eventuality and / or injury.

Tournament insurance cover will be in place for the event.

2.6 Registration

Please forward the school entry form either electronically to the following address:

Email: info@newcastleblackbeltacademy.co.uk

2.7 Payment and Notification

Please pay all fees directly into the TAE account. The banking details are as follows:

A/C Name: Taekwon-Do Association of England

Bank: LloydsTSB Bank

Sort Code: 30-91-94

A/c No.: 00880850

After payment has been made, send an email to Master Mckenna info@newcastleblackbeltacademy.co.uk , confirming when the payment was made, the amount and number of students entered.

All competitors must be pre-registered and all forms and payment must be received no later than Saturday 4th November 2017.

2.8 Competitor Fees

The entry fee is £25 for one and or all events.

2.9 Spectator Fees

The cost for spectators is £5.00 for the whole day. Under 5 yrs have free entry.

Family - £15.00 for up to five family members.

Spectators can pay on the day or pre-register. Wrist bands will be issued to each instructor for pre-paid spectators. Please ensure all competitors & spectators wear their wrist band to show at the desk on arrival.

No refunds will be given after the closing date for any reason even if a competitor withdraws or is disqualified.

2.8 Entry Alterations

Please note that alterations made after the closing date will incur a charge of £5.00 per competitor. No refunds will be given if a competitor withdraws.

3.0 EVENTS AND CATEGORIES

3.1 General Rules

The competition will be run in general accordance with the ITF competition rules, except where specified otherwise in this invitation.

The organising committee reserve the right to amalgamate/change events/times on the day of the competition based on the number of entries and level of competitors. We will do our best to accommodate all competitors to ensure a fair and rewarding experience for all.

We will endeavour to separate competitors from the same school competing against each other in the initial rounds.

3.2 Patterns

The pyramid system of elimination will be used with males and females competing together. White belt to Blue belt competitors will compete 1 to 1 and will perform simultaneously one optional pattern up to their grade. The judges will choose the best competitor to go forward to the next round.

Red belt to Black belt divisions will perform one designated pattern up to their grade in the preliminary rounds and two designated patterns appropriate to their grade in the final. In the event of a draw then a designated pattern will be performed, until the winner is decided.

One gold, one silver and two bronze medals will be awarded for this event.

3.3 Individual Sparring

Under 12's Sparring bouts will be 1 round of 1 min 30 seconds.

12-14yrs Sparring bouts will be 1 round of 2 min.

15-17yrs Sparring bouts will be 1 round of 2 min.

Adults Colour belt Sparring bout will be 1 round of 2 min.

Adult Black/Red belt Sparring bout will be 1 round of 2 min (2x2min in the final).

Bouts will be separated for male and female except for the under 12yrs. Competitors will be separated in to three grade divisions: White/Yellow; Green/Blue; Red/Black.

3.4 Weight and height categories

NOTE: Under 9 years category will be divided into Under 7, under 8 & under 9 where appropriate.

Under 7, 8, 9 yrs Sparring Categories			duration
(Point Stop Sparring)			
Category	Under 9's - Male and Female mixed		
Tot	-120 cm		1.5 minutes
Pee-Wee	-130 cm		30 seconds
Low	-140 cm		additional in
Middle	-150 cm		event of a draw
High	-160 cm		Then first point
Tall	+160 cm		
9-11 yrs Sparring Categories			duration
(Point Stop Sparring white/yellow - Continuous Sparring green/black)			
Category	9-11 yrs - Male and Female mixed		
Tot	-120 cm		1.5 minutes
Pee-Wee	-130 cm		30 seconds
Low	-140 cm		additional in
Middle	-150 cm		event of a draw
High	-160 cm		Then first point
Tall	+160 cm		
12-14 yrs Sparring Categories			duration
(Continuous Sparring)			
Category	Male 12-14 yrs	Female 12-14yrs	
Fly	-	-	2.0 minutes
Micro	-	-	30 seconds additional
Light	-45 kg	-38 kg	in event of a draw
Middle	-52 kg	-45 kg	Then first point
Heavy	-60 kg	-50 kg	
Hyper	+60 kg	+50 kg	

15-17 yrs Sparring Categories (Continuous Sparring)			duration
Category	Male 15-17 yrs	Female 15-17 yrs	
Fly	-50 kg	-45 kg	2.0 minutes. 60 seconds additional in event of a draw. Then first point.
Micro	-56 kg	-50 kg	
Light	-62 kg	-55 kg	
Middle	-68 kg	-60 kg	
Heavy	-75 kg	-65 kg	
Hyper	+75 kg	+65 kg	

18+ yrs Sparring Categories (Continuous Sparring)			
Category	Male 18+ yrs	Female 18+ yrs	
Fly	-57 kg	-50 kg	2.0 minutes. 60 seconds additional in event of a draw. Then first point.
Micro	-63 kg	-56 kg	
Light	-70 kg	-62 kg	
Middle	-78 kg	-68 kg	
Heavy	-85 kg	-75 kg	
Hyper	+85 kg	+75 kg	

Red and Black belt			
As 18 + above			2.0 minutes. 60 seconds additional in event of a draw. Then first point. 2x 2 minute rounds in the final

As a reminder, the following points are given in sparring:

Punch to the head/body	1 Point
Kick to the body	2 Points
Kick to the head	3 Points

Jumping/flying makes no difference in the score.

3.5 Safety Equipment for Sparring

The following equipment is mandatory for each age category; otherwise competitors will not be able to take part. The tournament organizers will not provide sparring equipment: Please ensure your competitors arrive ringside prepared.

Under 12's	12 yrs. and over	18 yrs. and over
Head Guard	Head Guard	Mouth Guard
Mouth Guard	Mouth Guard	Closed fingered gloves
Closed fingered gloves	Closed fingered gloves	Groin guard (Male)
Groin guard (Male)	Groin guard (Male)	Feet Pads
Shin Guards (optional)	Feet Pads	Head Guard
Feet pads		
Body Armour		

Female Groin guard and Breast Protectors are optional and must be worn under the Dobok

3.6 Special Technique

All divisions except red and Black special technique will be overhead kick (twimyo nopi chagi) performed with bicycle motion, males and females competing together and separated by height.

An L-Stance forearm guarding block ready posture must be adopted before and after the attempt to hit the target. The competitor must only hit the target with the correct part of the foot in order to qualify; however, if they fall or touch the ground with any part of their body other than their feet then the attempt will be disallowed.

For divisions other than red and black, each competitor will get two attempts. If they are successful with their first attempt, this will be accepted as a successful attempt. One point will be given for a touch and two points if the holder is flipped over. If the competitor touches on the first attempt, they may attempt a second attempt to fully flip the pad. If they are successful with this attempt the higher score will be recorded.

First attempt touch, second attempt flip over	2 points
First attempt touch, second attempt miss	1 point
First attempt miss second attempt flip over	2 points
First attempt miss, second attempt touch	1 point
First attempt flip over (no second attempt given)	2 points

15-17 years, Senior Male and Female will be split into separate male and female divisions, separated by height (depending on the number of entries)

Special technique divisions						
Under 12	12 – 14 yrs	15 – 17 yrs	adults		Red and black	
			male	female	male	female
tots	Middle	Middle				
Pee wee	high	high				
Low	tall	tall				
Middle						
high						
tall						

All twimyo nopi chagi

Twimyo Nopi Ap Cha Busigi,
Twimyo Nomo Yop Cha Jirugi,
Twimyo Dollyo Chagi

For special technique, flying high and turning kicks must be performed with bicycle motion.

One gold medal, one silver medal and one bronze medal will be awarded in each division.

3.4 Power Test

This event is only open to green belts and above and 14 years of age and over. Males and females will compete separately and will compete in the following groups (depending on the number of entries)

14 – 17 yrs green and blue belt		14 – 17 yrs red and black belt		Adult green and blue belt		Red and black belt	
male	female	male	female	male	female	male	female

Power test procedure.

The competitor must first ensure the height of the holder and will designate how many boards they wish to break. Two points will be given for a complete break and one point for a partial break. The competitor is allowed one measure and may touch the board, followed by an attempt to break the board. The competitor must start in L-Stance forearm guarding block, complete the attempt and land in forearm guarding block in one continuous motion. It is permitted to make one step forward, to slide, skip or shift as long as the supporting foot remains in contact with the

ground. In the event of a tie, the jury president will select a technique to be attempted as the “tie breaker” and decide how many boards are to be used.

Green – blue competitors must choose

One optional hand technique (**not** elbow strike) and one optional foot technique.

Red and Black belt competitors must complete the following

- Sonkal Taerigi
- Yopcha jirugi
- Dollyo chagi

One gold medal, one silver medal and one bronze medal will be awarded in each division

4.0 OFFICIALS AND COACHES

To assist with the smooth running of the Tournament, we kindly ask all schools/associations entering the competition to provide officials. Please indicate clearly “Umpire” or “Referee” on the school header sheet. This will give us a good indication on how many experienced referees we’ll have on the day.

All officials’ names must be entered on the school entry form by the deadline. Please send as many officials as possible to ensure the smooth running of the competition.

If a school enters competitors but sends no officials to help out, the instructor of that school will pay an extra £3 per student they send.

4.1 Officials Attire

Officials must wear a navy blue suit with a white long sleeved shirt, white TKD shoes (not trainers) and either navy blue or ITF Tie.

4.2 Officials Check in.

Officials are to check in at the Officials check in desk and attend the briefing as per the programme of events.

4.3 Coach

A coach is not a requirement and therefore they must pay the entry fee. All coaches must wear training shoes (no heels) and a track suit or School coach ‘T’-Shirt (dobok tops should be covered) and be an active colour belt student of TaeKwon-Do. (No Black Belt Coaches please, they should be officiating)

5.0 MEDALS AND TROPHIES

The Best overall School winner will be presented the TAE Annual Shield, which will be returned for the following Annual Championships in 2018.

Trophies will be awarded to:

- Best under 9
- Best 9-11 yrs
- Best 12-14 yrs
- Best 15-17 yrs Male
- Best 15-17 yrs Female
- Best overall Adult Male
- Best overall Adult Female

If you have any additional questions please contact us further and we will be happy to assist:

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Yours in Taekwon do,

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