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High-Performance International Event Update

January 2021

2020 was a challenging year for both coaches and athletes to be able to train and plan for events. For 2021, it is Taekwondo Canada's hope that we will see the return of in person competitions and safe training for all.

Although there are WT sanctioned open events scheduled at this time, Taekwondo Canada highly recommends that all athletes and coaches follow the Government of Canada guidelines and refrain from all non-essential travel. Taekwondo Canada will not be responsible for athletes who travel to international events against government recommendations.

Please note: We will not run a national qualifying event unless all athletes from all provinces are able to train for a minimum of 12 weeks prior to our national sparring event.

In order to assist coaches and athletes in planning for events, Taekwondo Canada will be following the specific timelines below in regard to specific events:

Junior Pan American Games

Please Note: Taekwondo Canada is only eligible to send 2 athletes to this event

Event date: Sept 2021

Pan Am qualification event: scheduled for April 2021; may be postponed to summer based on information received from PATU

Taekwondo Canada timelines:

Deadline to advise COC if we will attempt to send a team: Feb 15, 2021

**Taekwondo Canada will work with member provinces to determine a selection criteria.
Decision shall be made on this event no later than February 15, 2021**

Universiade

Event date: August 2021

Taekwondo Canada **shall not** be sending a team to the 2021 Summer Universiade as entries and payments must be submitted by March 1st and no selections are possible until then with the current restrictions that are in place



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Senior World Championships

Event dates: October 12-18, 2021

Taekwondo Canada Timelines:

Taekwondo Canada realizes the importance of selecting a team for the World Championships and we will work to ensure that this can happen.

Our targeted date for selections shall be August of 2021. Taekwondo Canada must register the team no later than Sept 15, 2021.

Taekwondo Canada will announce if there will be a qualifier no later than May 1, 2021. If we cannot run a qualifying event, we will not be sending a team to this event.

Para World Championships

Event dates: October 20-21, 2021

Taekwondo Canada Timelines:

Taekwondo Canada would have to register the team likely no later than Sept 15, 2021.

Taekwondo Canada will announce if there will be a qualifier no later than May 1, 2021. If we cannot run a qualifying event, we will not be sending a team to this event.

Junior and Cadet Pan Am Championships

Event Dates: likely Nov/Dec 2021

Taekwondo Canada Timelines:

Taekwondo Canada would have to run a national qualifier no later than Oct 15, 2021.

Taekwondo Canada will announce if there will be a qualifier no later than May 1, 2021. If we cannot run a qualifying event, we will not be sending a team to this event.

In the interest of clarity, not only must all athletes have been able to train for a minimum of 12 weeks prior to an event, but the following must also be in place prior to Taekwondo Canada running an event:

- 1) Events must be allowed under COVID-19 rules by the Federal, Provincial and municipal governments of the location in which the event is to be held
- 2) Athletes must either be able to provide proof of a negative COVID test or proof of vaccination
- 3) There must be no quarantine rules for those travelling to and from the national event
- 4) All provinces must have equal access to travel, train and participate
- 5) The venue must be closed to athletes and coaches (no spectators or parents)

