

## Participation Requirements for Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships: May 29 – June 4, 2023, Baku, Azerbaijan

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### OVERVIEW

Taekwondo Canada is now going through the process of planning for the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships being held from May 29<sup>th</sup> to June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Baku, Azerbaijan. All individuals that meet the 2023 Senior National Team selection criteria are being contacted and provided with the information contained in this notice.

### TEAM DECLARATION PROCESS

Upon receipt of this notice, we ask you to review all information carefully. Please pay particular attention to the Conditions of Participation. In order to claim your spot on the team, follow the link below and complete the Senior National Team Declaration form.

- <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023WorldTaekwondoChampionshipsDeclarationDéclarationDesChampionnatsDuMondeDeTaekwondo2023>

**The deadline to complete your team declaration is April 3, 2023, by 5:00pm Eastern time.**

### SUMMARY OF KEY DATES

March 31, 2023	Zoom meeting to outline event information and conditions of participation.
April 3, 2023	Deadline to confirm spot on the team.
April 17, 2023	Deadline for submission of all required documentation including flight details.
May 23 or 24, 2023	All participants will be required to arrive in Baku on <u>or</u> before either of these dates. Depending on your departure location from Canada, there may not be a reasonable flight option to arrive on May 23 <sup>rd</sup> . The team will officially meet on-site after all team members have arrived.
May 27, 2023	Head of Team Meeting and Draws.
May 29 – June 4, 2023	Competition days.
June 5, 2023	Team departure.

### NATIONAL TEAM FUNDING FOR THE BAKU 2023 WT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Taekwondo Canada will provide a Team Leader and medical support for the team. The following criteria will be utilized to determine financial support for both athletes and coaches who participate at the event. For ranking purposes, the better of the WT World or Olympic Weight Ranking in the entered division will be utilized:

- Athletes ranked in the Top 25 WT World or Olympic Weight divisions (as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023) through WT's Simply Compete database and four (4) invited team coaches:
  - Entry fees covered by Taekwondo Canada.
  - Accommodations (including breakfast) to a maximum of \$1,200.
  - Flights to be reimbursed to a maximum amount of \$1,600 if travelling from Ontario and east, or up to a maximum of \$2,000 if travelling from west of Ontario.

- Athletes ranked in the Top 50 WT World Weight or Olympic Weight divisions (as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023) through WT's Simply Compete database and up to three (2) additional invited team coaches:
  - Entry fees covered by Taekwondo Canada.
  - Accommodations (including breakfast) to a maximum amount of \$800.
  - Flights to be reimbursed to a maximum amount of \$700 if travelling from Ontario and east, or up to a maximum of \$1,000 if travelling from west of Ontario.
- All other athletes and any additional coaches not covered by the above criteria:
  - Entry fees covered by Taekwondo.
  - Accommodations (including breakfast) rebate of \$500
- All coaches and athletes attending the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships will be required to follow all team protocols and will be considered full-team members regardless of the level of financial support provided.

## CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

- **The latest published WT Competition Rules & Interpretation shall be applied.**
- All participants must comply with any vaccine requirements for the duration of their travel.
- WT and WADA anti-doping rules will apply.
- Local guidelines for COVID-19 health protocols will be followed.
- All participants must plan to arrive in Baku, Azerbaijan on or before May 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The team will officially meet on-site after all team members have arrived. For those receiving funding to attend the event, Taekwondo Canada will be covering the accommodation costs starting May 23<sup>rd</sup> and ending June 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - Departure flights for the return to Canada can be booked for June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Flight bookings will be the sole responsibility of each individual participant named to the team, and flight details must be provided to Brittany Rich [brich@taekwondo-canada.com](mailto:brich@taekwondo-canada.com) by April 17, at 5:00pm Eastern.
- As per Taekwondo Canada's travel policies, all minor athletes must travel with a designated Responsible Adult. A Responsible Adult can be a coach, manger/staff, chaperone, or family member that is over the age of majority who is acting in a supervisory role.
- Accommodations will be booked by Taekwondo Canada for all team members at a host hotel. The exact hotel will be confirmed after team registration as there is limited capacity at each host hotel location and we will not know the available option until we go through with the registration process.
  - Prices for hotel rooms will be in the following ranges (prices are per room per night including transportation, and breakfast):
    - Single Room – Between \$60 USD and \$90 USD
    - Twin Room – Between \$90 USD and \$130 USD
      - The preferred hotel options have a posted rate of \$90 USD for a twin room.
  - All participants not fully covered by the National Team funding criteria will be required to pay their associated portion of the accommodation charges upon Taekwondo Canada receiving an invoice from the organizing committee.
  - Taekwondo Canada will facilitate rooming lists based on submitted participant information. Athletes and coaches will be booked into Twin Rooms with a roommate following the Team Member Travel Handbook & Agreement guidelines.
  - Parents wishing to travel to the event **must book their own accommodations**. All parents travelling are asked to respect Taekwondo Canada's team protocols.
- As per the event outline, ground transportation will be provided for national teams on arrival and departure free of charge for teams that include the date, time, airline and flight numbers during the registration process. **Participants will be picked up from Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD)**
  - Local transportation is also provided in Baku:

- Daily transportation shuttle service between official hotels and training venues on training days prior to the event from (May 25<sup>th</sup> to May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023).
- Daily transportation shuttle service between all official hotels and the competition venue on competition days (May 29<sup>th</sup> to June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023).
- Transportation shuttle service between official hotels and competition venue for athletes attending the weigh in on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Transportation shuttle service between official hotels and all meetings and hospitality venues are as follows:
  - Delegates attending the Head of Team and Draws meeting on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - Delegates attending the Team Doctor's meeting on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - Delegates attending the Welcome Reception on (TBD)
- Costs for meals outside of what is offered in the accommodation booking will be the responsibility of each participant.
- Team kit and uniforms will be provided to all team members, and must be brought to the event.
  - Athletes will receive an Adidas uniform, backpack, team jacket, four t-shirts, and shorts.
  - Coaches will receive a backpack, team jacket, four polo shirts, and shorts.
  - For those wishing to purchase additional team clothing or other branded items can order these through the [Captain Sports TC Shop](#).
  - We are requiring all participants to wear this kit at all times within the competition venue, except during training. During training times, other non-club branded clothing used for training purposes is permissible

## COACH REQUIREMENTS

- Must meet Taekwondo Canada's eligibility requirements for National Teams.
- Must be 21 years or older.
- Must have a WT Global License for 2023.
- Must hold a valid WT Coach Certification Level II.
- All coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), and trousers, and sport shoes during Semi-Finals and Finals. Any type of cap/hat is not allowed. If any coach refuses to wear abovementioned attire, he or she will not be allowed to coaching for this championship.

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

**Unless they have already done so for a previous 2023 National Team, all participants will be required to complete and submit the following documents and information by April 17 at 5:00pm Eastern:**

- Complete and submit a signed *Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS)* consent form.
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/universalcodeofconducttopreventandaddressmaltreatmentinsportconsentformformulairedeconsentementàapplicat>
- Complete and submit a signed *Athlete Agreement* (if an Athlete) or *Coach-Staff Agreement* (if a coach or staff member).
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023athleteagreementententedathelète2023>
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023coachmanagementstaffagreementententedentraîneurdemembredeladirectiondemembredupersonnel2023>
- Complete and submit a signed *National Team Protocols* agreement.
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023nationalteamprotocolsprotocolesdéquipenationale2023>

- Complete and submit a signed *Team Travel Agreement*.
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023teammembertravelhandbookagreementmanueletentedememberdequipeenvoyage2023>
- Complete and submit a *Medical Screening Form*
  - <https://www.cognitoforms.com/TaekwondoCanada1/2023MedicalScreeningDépistageMédical2023>

## VISA INFORMATION

The Visa process for Azerbaijan is very simple. Team members can obtain visas online at: <https://evisa.gov.az/en/>.