TAEKWONDO CANADA

2027 World Taekwondo Grand Prix Series Athlete Selection Principles

OVERVIEW

The World Taekwondo (WT) Grand Prix Series is the elite international Kyorugi circuit that athletes qualify for through their WT Olympic ranking or Grand Prix Challenge results. The Top 70 athletes per Olympic weight category based on current WT Olympic Ranking will have the opportunity to pre-register, but only the Top 28 pre-registered in GMS will be selected and confirmed via email from WT Sport & Event Management Department**.**

WT has announced that the 2027 Grand Prix Series events will be held in:

- Rome, Italy, June 2027.
- Paris, France, August 26-29, 2027.
- Manchester, England, October 21-24, 2027.

The Grand Prix Final will be hosted in Tai'an, China, December 3-5, 2027. The Top 2 athletes at each of the Grand Prix Series events will automatically earn entry into the Grand Prix Final. Top 32 athletes per Olympic weight category based on current WT Olympic Ranking will have the opportunity to pre-register, but only the Top 10 pre-registered in GMS will be selected and confirmed via email from WT Sport & Event Management Department**.**

At the time that the event information is published, Taekwondo Canada will go through a process of generating an entry list based on the outlined **Athlete Requirements for Entry**, and adhering to the entry limitations stipulated by WT. Athletes must submit their interest in participating at each of the Grand Prix Series events by a specific date that will be communicated closer to the official opening of the event registration system.

As the Grand Prix Series and Final events are partially subsidized by Taekwondo Canada and respectively G-6 and G-10 level events, all participants must meet Taekwondo Canada's published policies including Coaching Standards & NCCP, and sign the relevant Taekwondo Canada athlete or staff agreement.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- An athlete must be the one selected by the WT based on the stipulated WT Olympic Ranking.
- Holder of the Kukkiwon Dan or Poom certificate.
- Born in the year 2010 or before.
- Holder of a valid WT Global Athlete License (GAL) for 2027.

COACH ELIGIBILITY

- Must meet Taekwondo Canada's eligibility requirements for National Teams.
- Must be 21 years or older.
- Must have a WT Global License for 2027.
- Must hold a valid WT Coach Certification Level II.

ENTRY LIMITS, WT ELIGIBILITY, AND ENTRY PROCESS

Eligible athletes will be entered in accordance with the published WT Invited Athlete List. All athletes must also meet the WT eligibility requirements set out in the official event outline.

When confirming their intention to participate, athletes must provide the name and contact information of an eligible coach who has confirmed their availability to coach them at the event. A confirmed coach is a condition of

participation. Athletes who have not provided this information by Taekwondo Canada's published deadline will have their entry withdrawn from the relevant Grand Prix Series event.

When notifying athletes of potential entry into a Grand Prix Series event, Taekwondo Canada will provide the applicable Participation Requirements. These will outline eligibility requirements, available funding subsidies, and logistical requirements, including the deadline for all participants to submit their confirmed flight and hotel arrangements. Participants must submit these travel details by the specified deadline to support event planning and coordination. If the deadline is not met, Taekwondo Canada may withdraw the participant's entry from the relevant Grand Prix Series event unless alternative arrangements have been approved by Taekwondo Canada. Requests for an exception must be received before the deadline or at least 21 days before the start of the competition, whichever is earlier.