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Presidents and Secretaries General,  
Member National Associations

## **ONLINE 2021 WORLD TAEKWONDO POOMSAE OPEN CHALLENGE II (OUTLINE, INVITATION)**

Dear Taekwondo family,

I hope that you are well.

Last year when the pandemic started, sports activities around the world were severely impacted, including World Taekwondo events. We decided to reset and organised the first-ever Online World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships in November 2020. It was also the first time that we opened our events to the grassroots through the Open Category.

The results were overwhelming, with the participation of more than 1,560 people from 98 countries. In particular, we were encouraged by the participation of families, which is one of the key missions of World Taekwondo in promoting healthy lifestyle through sport.

Due to the stunning results, we have decided to continue with this new virtual format. Starting from this year, we will be organising the **Online World Taekwondo Poomsae Open Challenge**. We have just completed the **Open Challenge I** this past month with the participation of 493 families and junior athletes from 48 member nations.

In this regard, I would like to extend a warm invitation to you to participate in the **Open Challenge II in June** for the Family (pairs and team), Cadet, and Refugee categories. We encourage families to participate and live healthy lifestyles. Together stronger, as the global community look to sports to overcome the challenges posed by the pandemic.

For your information, the following events will round up the Open Challenge Series this year:

- **Open Challenge III in September:** Family (Pairs and Team), Senior, Para Taekwondo categories
- **Open Challenge Grand Final in December:** Invitation to top 8 participants of each previous edition (March, June, and September)

Thank you and I look forward to your active participation in the Online 2021 World Taekwondo Poomsae Open Challenge II this coming June.

Sincerely yours,



Chungwon Choue  
President

# OUTLINE

## Online 2021 World Taekwondo Poomsae Open Challenge II

### 1 Promoter & Organizer: World Taekwondo (President: Dr. Chungwon Choue)

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### 2 Date: June 1- July 3, 2021

\* Head of Team Meeting: May 29, 2021 (21:00 Korean Standard Time)

### 3 Online platform Supplier: Taekwonsoft

\* WT Recognized Poomsae Scoring System Company

### 4 Competition Methods

#### 1) National Team Category

##### a. Individual

- Recognized Poomsae / Free Style Poomsae
- Open to only National Team Members
- Cadet (12-14)
- Pre-recorded formats will be used

#### 2) Open Category

##### a. Individual

- Recognized Poomsae
- Open to All
- Cadet (12-14)
- Children (10-11)
- Children (8-9)
- Children (7 and Under)
- Pre-recorded formats will be used.

##### b. Pair & Team

- Recognized Poomsae
- Open to All
- All age groups among family members
- Family Pair (6 divisions)  
: Sibling / Couple / Father + Son / Father + Daughter / Mother + Son / Mother + Daughter
- Family Team A (3 Family members, 2 Generations)
- Family Team B (3 Family members, 3 Generations)
- Pre-recorded formats will be used

##### c. Refugee

- Recognized Poomsae
- Open to All
- Under 17
- Over 17

## 5 Qualifications of contestants:

### 1) National Team Category (Only Cadet)

In accordance with Article 4: Qualification of Contestant of the WT Poomsae Competition Rules, the contestant must meet all following requirements:

- 5.1 Holder of nationality of the participating team
- 5.2 Recommended by the national taekwondo association of the WT
- 5.3 Holder of the Kukkiwon Poom or Dan certificate
- 5.4 Holder of WT Global Athlete License (GAL). Any questions on the WT GAL please contact your assigned WT GMS Manager
- 5.5 Athlete aged 12-14 (Born between 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2009)

*\* Poomsae competition uniform: All contestants must wear WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform in accordance with the Article 4.2 of the WT Poomsae Competition Rules. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT (<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html>)*

### 2) Open Category

Open to all for Cadet, Children, Family Pair & Team and Refugee. The contestant must meet all following requirements:

**\*\* Junior athlete who participated in the National Category in Open Challenge 1 cannot participate in the Family Open Category in the any Open Challenges Series.**

- 5.6 For Cadet
  - Holder of the Kukkiwon Poom or Dan certificate
  - Cadet: 12-14 (Born between 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2009)
- 5.7 For Children
  - All belt: Player must be 4<sup>th</sup> geup or higher belt holder
    - : Children 10-11 (Born between 1 January 2010 and 31 December 2011)
    - : Children 8-9 (Born between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2013)
    - : Children 7 and Under (Born on after January 2014)
- 5.8 For Family Pair: Family Members Only
  - : Sibling / Couple
    - ➔ All belt: At least one player must be 4<sup>th</sup> geup or higher belt holder
    - ➔ Must be composed of same generation of family member regardless of gender
  - : Father + Son / Father + Daughter / Mother + Son / Mother + Daughter
    - ➔ All belt: At least one player must be 4<sup>th</sup> geup or higher belt holder
    - ➔ Must be composed of two generations of direct family member regardless of gender
- 5.9 For Family Team A: 3 Family Members of 2 generations
  - ➔ All belt: at least one player must be 4<sup>th</sup> geup or higher belt holder
  - ➔ Must be composed of at least two generations of direct family regardless of gender
- 5.10 For Family Team B: Family Members of 3 generations
  - ➔ All belt: at least one player must be 4<sup>th</sup> geup or higher belt holder
  - ➔ Must be composed of three generations of direct family regardless of gender
- 5.11 For Refugee
  - All belt
    - : Under 17
    - : Over 17 (18 years old and over)

*\* The age limits for the each division is based on the year, not on the date, when the Online Poomsae Open Challenges are held. For example, in Cadet division, contestants shall be between 12 and 14 years old. In this regard, contestants born between 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2009 are eligible to participate in this division.*

*\* Poomsae competition uniform: All contestants may wear WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform. If contestants don't have WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform, contestants are able to wear any white colored uniform with the logo covered. (\* allow the Dojang or Club logo)*

## 6 Classification of Competition

### 1) National Team

Recognized Poomsae Competition (2)	Free Style Poomsae Competition (2)
Cadet Male & Female's Individual	Cadet Male & Female's Individual

### 2) Open

Recognized Poomsae Competition (20)	Free Style Poomsae Competition
<b>Cadet Male &amp; Female's Individual</b> <b>Children Male &amp; Female's Individual</b> * 10-11 years old * 8-9 years old * 7 and under years old <b>Refugee Male &amp; Female's Individual</b> * Under 17 * Over 17 <b>Family Pair (6 divisions)</b> * Sibling * Couple * Father + Son * Father + Daughter * Mother + Son * Mother + Daughter <b>Family Team A (3 Family Members, 2 Generations)</b> <b>Family Team B (3 Family Members, 3 Generations)</b>	None

## 7 Competition Rules:

- 1) WT Poomsae Competition Rules in force as of May 14, 2019 shall apply.
- 2) Applied Online Scoring Criteria
  - ➔ Regarding the deduction criteria, please refer to the guideline of Online 2021 World Taekwondo Poomsae Open Challenge II in WT website.
  - ➔ Any video editing will be disqualified.
  - ➔ Any violation of the guidelines on recording and procedures provided by the WT will result in disqualification.
  - ➔ The recorded videos should be recorded separately 1<sup>st</sup> Poomsae and 2<sup>nd</sup> Poomsae. Each recorded Poomsae video must be uploaded on the WT competition official platform (<http://www.onlinepoomsae.com/>) to match the 1<sup>st</sup> Poomsae and 2<sup>nd</sup> Poomsae.

## 8 Duration of Contest

### 8.1 Recognized Poomsae

: Individual, Pair & Team and Refugee competitions up to 90 seconds.

: The recorded videos should be recorded separately 1<sup>st</sup> Poomsae and 2<sup>nd</sup> Poomsae.

### 8.2 Free Style Poomsae

: Individual competitions from **60 seconds to 70 seconds**.

## 9 Method of Competition:

### 1) National Team

#### Recognized Poomsae Competition

- Two (2) Poomsae from designated Compulsory Poomsae will be decided by TD for each division must be performed for all competitions.

- In the preliminaries, semi-final and final, the referee will judge the uploaded video of the player and stream the **pre-recorded video** according to schedule.

#### **Cut-off system:**

1) **Preliminaries:** In case twenty (20) or more contestants are participating, the competition shall start from preliminary round with division of groups. After uploading two (2) assigned Compulsory Poomsae, the top half of each group shall advance to semi-final based on the points.

- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during **from June 1 to 5**

2) **Semi-final:** In case nine (9) to nineteen (19) contestants are participating, competition shall start from semi-final. Contestants shall upload two (2) assigned Compulsory Poomsae and top eight (8) of them shall advance to final based on the points.

- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during **from June 14 to 18**

3) **Final:** When eight (8) or less contestants are participating, competition shall start from final round. Contestants shall be performed two (2) assigned Compulsory and top four (4) contestants shall be awarded based on the points. Bronze medals shall be given to the 3rd and the 4th contestants.

- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during **from June 26 to 29**

#### Free Style Poomsae Competition

- One (1) Free Style Poomsae will be performed with following guidelines:

- Yeon-mu line shall choice of contestant

- Performed techniques must be within boundary of taekwondo.

- The definition of taekwondo techniques shall be determined by WT Poomsae Committee, when contestant submits performance plan of Free Style Poomsae.

- In the preliminaries and semi-final and final, the referee will judge the uploaded video of the player and stream the **pre-recorded video** according to schedule.

- **Required to use the non-copyright music for performance of Free Style Poomsae**

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**- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during from June 26 to 29**

**To prevent injury to athletes, only freestyle Poomsae may upload the same video in the preliminary, semi-final and final rounds. The registration number must also be one of the numbers for the preliminary, semi-final or final rounds of the participating athletes.**

## 2) Open

### Recognized Poomsae Competition

- Contestants for Children, Pair, Teams and Refugee shall select 2 Compulsory Poomsae between Taegeuk 1 and Hansu.

- Contestants for Cadet shall be designated Two (2) Poomsae decided by TD for each division.

- In the Preliminaries, Semi-final and final, the referee will judge the uploaded video of the player and stream the **pre-recorded video** according to schedule.

#### **Cut-off system:**

**1) Preliminaries:** In case twenty (20) or more contestants are participating, the competition shall start from preliminary round with division of groups. After uploading two (2) assigned Compulsory Poomsae, the top half of each group shall advance to semi-final based on the points.

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**- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during from June 14 to 18**

**3) Final:** When eight (8) or less contestants for individual (or pairs/teams) are participating, competition shall start from final round. Contestants shall upload two (2) assigned Compulsory Poomsae videos and top four (4) contestants/pairs/teams shall be awarded based on the points. Bronze medals shall be given to the 3rd and the 4th contestants.

**- Contestants' Poomsae video clip must be uploaded during from June 26 to 29**

## 10 Entry

### 1) National Team

10.1 Team Entry: No. of officials (Not mandatory for registration) and No. of contestants

Officials	Members		Remarks
	Max. No. of Members Male	Max. No. of Members Female	
Head of Team	1		
Coach	1	1	

Athletes		Cadet (12-14)	Total
Recognized Poomsae	Individual Male	1	1
	Individual Female	1	1
Athletes		Cadet (12-14)	Total
Free Style Poomsae	Individual Male	1	1
	Individual Female	1	1
Total		4	

### 2) Open

10.2 Team Entry: No. of contestants

Division	Gender	Ages	Composition	Poomsae
Individual (12)	Male	Cadet	<b>Cadet (12-14)</b> * No limit number of participants by MNA	Two (2) assigned Compulsory Poomsae
	Female			
	Male	Children	10-11 years old * No limit number of participants by MNA	Selects two (2) Poomsaes  - Taegeuk 1,2,3,4,5,6, 7,8 Jang, - Koryo, Keumgang, Taeback Pyongwon - Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu
	Female			
	Male		8-9 years old * No limit number of participants by MNA	
	Female			
	Male	Refugee Under 17	Under 7 years old * No limit number of participants by MNA	* Two (2) selected Poomsae should be different.
	Female			
	Male	Refugee Over 17	Under 17	
	Female			
	Male	Over 17 (18 years old and over)		
	Female			

Family pair (6)	Sibling/ Couple/ Father +Son/ Father +Daughter/ Mother +Son/ Mother +Daughter/	All ages	- Two (2) family members (Sibling and Couple / Same generation) - Two (2) generations of direct family members regardless of gender - All belt: At least one player must be 4th geup or higher belt holder	Selects two (2) Poomsaes  - Taegeuk 1,2,3,4,5,6, 7,8 Jang, - Koryo, Keumgang, Taeback Pyongwon - Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu
	Family Team A	All ages	- Three (3) Family members and - Two (2) generations of direct family members regardless of gender and - All belt: At least one player must be 4th geup or higher belt holder - Any combination of Grand Father or Grand Mother or Father or Mother or Son or Daughter or Grand Son or Grand Daughter	* Two (2) selected Poomsae should be different.
Team (2)	Family Team B	All ages	- Three (3) Family members and - Three (3) generations of direct family members regardless of gender and - All belt: At least one player must be 4th geup or higher belt holder - Any three generation of combination of Grand Father or Grand Mother or Father or Mother or Son or Daughter or Grand Son or Grand Daughter	
Total			20	

### 10.3 WT Global License & Online Registration

**Contestants and Team officials participating in the National Team** must first be registered with a WT Global Athlete License (GAL) or Global Official License (GOL).

National Team Entry will only be accepted through the WT online registration system (<https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com>) and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global License. National Team GMS admins will be notified via email once online registration is open.

For **contestants participating in the Open** will not be required to register WT Global Athlete License (GAL) temporarily in an online competition.

Open Entry will only be accepted through the <http://www.onlinepoomsae.com/>

Please check the detailed event information as below GMS events site. All of participants are able to check through GMS for detailed information on how to register:

<https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com/events>



#### 10.4 ENTRY FEES

Entry fee shall be various according to the timing and situation of the submission of entry. Please read carefully the following guidelines.

Registration period will begin on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, 17:00 Local Swiss Time

Registration period will end on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 17:00 Local Swiss Time

**\* Entry deadline: 26 May 2021, 17:00 Local Swiss Time**

**For National Team – REGISTRATION FEES:** <https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com/events>

- Individual Male/Female - US\$50 per athlete

**For Open - REGISTRATION FEES:** <http://www.onlinepoomsae.com/>

- Cadet – US \$30 per athlete
- Children – US \$25 per athlete
- Family Pair – US\$40 per pair
- Family Team – US\$50 per team
- Refugee – None

Entry fee can only be paid through the online payment system provided by the WT, not allowed by bank account transfer.

#### 11 List of Poomsae to be performed:

- Designated Compulsory Poomsae

Two (2) Poomsae from designated Compulsory Poomsae decided for each division must be performed for all the preliminarily, semi-final and final rounds for all competitions except Children, Family Pair & Team and Refugee division. **Compulsory Poomsae to be assigned for each division shall be decided at the time of drawing of lots by Technical Delegate in Head of Team Meeting and it will be uploaded in WT website.**

Competition	Division	Compulsory Poomsae
Individual For National Team	Cadet Division (12-14)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
Individual For Open	Cadet Division (12-14)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
	Children Division (7 and under / 8-9 / 10-11)	<p><b><u>Selects 2 Poomsae from below;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Taegeuk 1,2,3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang,</li> <li>- Koryo, Keumgang, Taeback Pyongwon</li> <li>- Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu</li> </ul> <p>* Two (2) selected Poomsae should be different.</p>
Family Pair	All ages	
Family Team (A, B)	All ages	
Refugee	Under 17 Over 17	

Competition	Division	Free Style Poomsae
Individual For National Team	Cadet Division (12-14)	Athletes shall perform Free style Poomsae based on taekwondo techniques with composition of music and choreography. Performed techniques must be within the boundary of taekwondo. The definition of taekwondo techniques shall be determined by WT Poomsae Committee when contestants submit performance plan of free-style Poomsae.

## 12 Award presentation:

### 12.1 Online Medals & Certificates:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Gold medal(s) and certificate(s)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Silver medal(s) and certificate(s)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place and 4<sup>th</sup> place: Bronze medal(s) and certificate(s)
- 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> place: Certificate

*\* TOP8 athletes automatically shall be invited to Open Challenge Final held in December*

*\*\* Certificates and medals will be sent to the MNA for national team athletes and open participants will be sent to their personal addresses. Mailing due to COVID-19 may be delayed in each country, so it is expected to be up to one month.*

### 12.2 Participation online certificate: all participants

*\* Participation certificates can be printed directly from the official website at [onlinepoomsae.com](http://onlinepoomsae.com) after the Open Challenge I.*

## 13 International Referees:

13.1 The WT will appoint the required number of Poomsae International Referees.

13.2 Appointed referee should attend IR training and meeting for online competition in designated day.

## 14 WT-recognized Poomsae Competition uniform:

14.1 Participating contestants must wear the WT-recognized Poomsae Competition uniform.

**\*National Team: All contestants should wear WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform.**

**\*Open: All contestants may wear WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform. If contestants don't have WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform, contestants are able to wear any white color uniform with the logo covered in only WT Poomsae Open Challenge Series (\* allow the Dojang or Club logo).**

14.2 **Cadet Division** (Ages 12-14): White top with red and black collar, plus blue pants for males; the same top, but with red pants, for females.



**15 Head of Team Meeting and Drawing of Lots:**

The Head of Team Meeting and the Drawing of Lots session shall be conducted on **May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021**, in the presence of the Technical Delegate, WT officials and the representatives of the participating nations by online. WT will send the zoom invitation link for the Head of Team Meeting to each MNAs (National Team Category) and athletes (Open Category).

**16 Others**

Please refer to the detailed recording and deduction guideline as well as sample recording video clip in the WT official website (<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/competition/view.html?nid=137944&mcd=S03&sc=in>).

## Online 2021 World Taekwondo Poomsae Open Challenge II June 1- July 3,2021

### Event Schedule (Subject to Change)

Date & Time (Korean Standard GMT+9)	Event	Remarks
April 29 - May 26	Registration	
May 29 21:00	Head of team meeting & Drawing of lots	
June 1 00:00–June 5 23:59	[Preliminary] Video Clips Upload	5 days
June 6 00:00–June 8 23:59	[Preliminary] Scoring by WT International Referees	3 days
June 10 21:00–June 13 21:00	[Preliminary] Competition Results & Online Streaming	4 days
June 14 00:00–June 18 23:59	[Semi-Final] Video Clips Upload	5 days
June 19 00:00–June 20 23:59	[Semi-Final] Scoring by WT International Referees	2 days
June 22 21:00-June 25 21:00	[Semi-Final] Competition Results & Online Streaming	4 days
June 26 00:00-June 29 23:59	[Final] Video Clips Upload	4 days
June 30 00:00-July 1 23:59	[Final] Scoring by WT International Referees	2 days
July 2-July 3 21:00	[Final] Competition Results & Online Streaming	2 days

\* Competition Results and Online Steaming will be uploaded in World Taekwondo Website ([www.worldtaekwondo.org](http://www.worldtaekwondo.org)), YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/user/worldtaekwondo>) and World Taekwondo Competition Official Platform ([www.onlinepoomsae.com](http://www.onlinepoomsae.com)).

\* Above event schedule follows **Korean Standard Time (GMT+9)**.