



INVITATION LETTER

Dear Mr. President,

Dear Sir/Madam

After having successfully organized "SOFIA OPEN" – 2017 G1, 2016, 2015 and 2014 with over 1000 participants and "SOFIA CUP" – 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013, we are pleased and honored to invite you and your athletes to participate in the:

5th "SOFIA CUP" 2017

INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT

Sofia, October 21st, 2017

We are committed to make this event a successful one. We adhere to the highest standards of preparation in order to create an ideal atmosphere for all participating teams.

We hope you have a wonderful stay in Bulgaria and the charming city of Sofia, and that you enjoy your time together with all the other members of the Taekwondo family.

We are looking forward to receiving your confirmation of participation for this event no later than October 9th 2017.

We truly hope that we can welcome you to participate in 5th "SOFIA CUP 2017" INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT and wish you and your team a lot of success at this championship.

Sincerely Yours,



Dimitar Mihaylov

/Vice President of the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation/

/President of the Organizing Committee/





5TH SOFIA CUP 2017

INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT Sofia, October 21st, 2017

Promoter: Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation – WTF
President: Mr. Slavi Binev – President - BTF

Organizer: Taekwondo Club Ramus
President: Mr. Dimitar Mihaylov – Vice President – BTF
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Dates: 21st of October 2017

Place: Sports hall “ Festivalna – Asics Arena”,
35 Manastirska str., 1111 Sofia, Bulgaria
Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/UUPaQH7IXoK2>



Application Deadline: 23:59 Bulgarian time on 9 October 2017

Online Registration: <http://tpss.eu>

Entry fee and Payment: 30 € per competitor for **every applied competitor**.
Entry fee is payable only via bank account.

If an athlete registered online through the registration system does not take part in the competition for some reason, but he/she has not been removed from the list of participants before the deadline (09.10.2017), his/her team official must fully (100%) pay his/her entry fee for participation. Entry fee is not refundable at any time after the deadline.

All entry fees must be paid no later than 10 October 2017 to the following bank account:

Recipient: Taekwondo club Ramus
Name of Bank: First Investment Bank, Bulgaria
IBAN: BG39FINV91501203949844
BIC: FINVBGSF

Reason for payment: SC2017 + team name

A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to:

E-Mail: sofiacup@ramustkd.org

Applications without a copy of the transfer are invalid.

All payments by bank transfer have to be done without any deduction of expenses! Any costs of the bank transfer (non-Euro zone) will be charged.

Application is only valid when payment has been done to the bank account at the same time of registration and when payments of all entry fees have been received 3 days after registration. If payment has not been received in due time those registered athletes will be removed from the online registration again.

Change of category: *Change of category will be possible during the Registration and Weigh-in – against an additional fee of 20 euros for each change.*

Competition Rules: The WTF Competition rules

Daedo PSS will be used.

The Organizing Committee will provide Daedo Protector and Scoring System (PSS) and the head protector to the participating contestants. Participating contestants are required to bring their own groin guards, mouthpieces, gloves, sensor socks, shin and forearm guards for their personal use. All competitors must use WTF-approved equipment.

Instant Video Replay will be used for all courts.



Conditions for participation

Proof of membership by valid national Federation passport with ETU/WTF membership. All contestants have to proof their age and nationality by presenting their passport or identification card at weigh-in. Those who are not recognized as adults by law in their own country must submit a passport or identification card together with a written consent (liability declaration) of their parents or lawful guardian accepting the participation and all parts of the official invitation.

WTF Global Licence (GAL – Global Athlete License or GOL – Global Official License) is not required.

Method of competition: Single elimination tournament according to WTF Competition Rules.

Age Groups:

- Juniors: born in 2000, 2001, 2002
- Cadets: born in 2003, 2004 and 2005
- Children II: born in 2006 and 2007
- Children I: born in 2008, 2009 and 2010

Classes:

- **A class** – World Taekwondo Kyorugi Competition Rules
- **B class** – Kicks to the head **are not allowed.**

Categories:

Juniors Male (Class A): -45kg, -48kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, -73kg, -78kg, +78kg;
Junior Female (Class A): -42kg, -44kg, -46kg, -49kg, -52kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, +68 kg;
Juniors Male (Class B): -48kg, -55kg, -63kg, -73kg, +73kg;
Junior Female (Class B): -44kg, -49kg, -55kg, -63kg, +63 kg;
Cadets Male (Class A&B): -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -45kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -61kg, -65kg, +65kg;
Cadets Female (Class A&B): -29kg, -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -44kg, -47kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, +59 kg;
Children II – Male and Female (Class A&B): -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, +57kg;
Children I – Male and Female (Class A&B): -21kg, -23kg, -25kg, -27kg, -29kg, -31kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, +40kg.

Graduation:

Holders of at least 8th Gup

Match duration:

Juniors and Cadets (Class A): 3 x 1,5 min (30 sec. break);

Juniors and Cadets (Class B) and Children (Class A): 2 x 1,5 min (30 sec. break);

Children (Class B): 2 x 1 min (30 sec. break).

The contests duration is subject to change by the Organizing Committee.



Liability

All competitors participate at their own risk. The online registration implies that the competitors agree to assume all responsibility for themselves and to release all other parties from any and all liability which may directly or indirectly result. The organizer is in no way responsible for any damage caused to a person or their belongings.

Awards

Medals for the places 1 to 3 for individual results.

Team cups will be awarded to the three best teams in each division.

The team ranking is based on the following point system: every gold medal – 7points, every silver medal – 3 points and every bronze medal – 1 point.

Coaches

For every five contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of four coaches. Coaches can enter the competition area only with proper sport shoes and proper tracksuit. Before weigh-in all coaches must have the Special ID-Cards for their teams. Weigh-in and entry to the sports hall only with Special ID-Cards. Special ID-Cards for all competitors and coaches.

Protest

Only the official coach is allowed to protest, immediately after the end of the contest. An amount of € 100 (Euro) will have to be paid for each protest. The decision of the referee chairman is final.

Referees

All referees will be contacted and invited by the Referee Committee.

Hotel and Full board accommodation will be provided for international referees from 20th October until 21st October 2017.

For information: referees@ramutkd.org

Admission/ Tickets

The admission is free.

Visa

All teams who require a visa invitation should send their request to the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation (office@taekwondo-bulgaria.org or sofiaopen@ramustkd.org) with the names, date of birth and passport No. of all team members, competitors and officials (if possible, please send a word file as an e-mail attachment).

ACCOMMODATION

The Organizing Committee offers assistance for the accommodation and transportation of teams for the championship at preferential rates for the official hotels of the championship.

Official hotels for the tournament:

Novotel Sofia – 4 stars <http://www.novotel.com/>

Best Western Hotel Europe – 4 stars <http://www.hotel-europe-bg.com/>

Suite Hotel Sofia – 4 stars <http://www.suitehotelsofia.bg/>



For more information according accommodation, transportation and preferential rates: hotels@ramustkd.org or dimitar.mihaylov@abv.bg

The preferential prices are available in euro per room and include breakfast, free Wi-Fi, fitness and parking until 01.10.2017. After 01.10.2017 the prices could be increased. For reservations and information about rates please send an email to hotels@ramustkd.org or dimitar.mihaylov@abv.bg

Distances:

Novotel Sofia - 2,2 km away from the Sports Hall, 8,4 km away from the airport – next to Novotel Sofia is one of the biggest malls in Sofia – The Mall.

Best Western Hotel Europe - 1,4 km away from the Sport Hall, 6,5 km from the airport

Suite Hotel Sofia – 5,3 km away from the Sports Hall, 7,9 km away from the airport

Timetable

20th October 2017 (Friday):

14:00 - 20:00 – Registration and Weigh-in, **Sports hall “Festivalna – Arena Asics”**,
35 Manastirska str., 1111 Sofia, Bulgaria – for **all athletes**.

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21st October 2017 (Saturday) – Sports Hall “Festivalna – Arena Asics”:

08:00 – Referee meeting

08:30 – Head-of-Team Meeting

08:45 – Inspection area opens and start checking the athletes for the first matches

09:00 – Start of matches

12:30 – 13:00 – Official Opening Ceremony

17:00 – Finals and Award Ceremony

The Organizers reserve the right to change the timetable if necessary.



DECLARATION OF CONTEST

As legal guardian I herewith declare my consent that my son/my daughter may participate as an active player at the following championship:

5th SOFIA CUP 2017

I do know that Taekwondo is a Full Contact Competition Sport, where injuries cannot be excluded. Neither the organizer nor the promoter of the event can be held responsible for any damages or injuries and therefore I declare that there exists a valid insurance that will cover costs of possible injuries for my son/my daughter or that I will accept all costs in connection with possible injuries or damages by myself.

Name of Guardian

Point of Relationship

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Date Signature

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