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OLYMPIC WEIGHT CATEGORY DECLARATION WINDOW FOR JUNE 1, 2025 - MAY 31, 2026, SUBMISSION DEADLINE 25 May 2025, 23:59 Swiss Time (GMT+2)

Presidents and Secretaries General, Member National Associations

Dear Sir/Madam,

I hope this letter finds you well.

As you are aware, each year the Olympic Weight Category selection window opens as detailed in Article 1.3.1 of the <u>WT Ranking Bylaw</u>. The choice of the Olympic Weight Category can be determined for a period of one year from June 1st to May 31st. Please note, the **declarations made** during this window will be **applicable** for the **July 2025** rankings **onwards**.

During this 25-day window the respective **MNA only,** may submit a list of athletes and their choice of Olympic Weight Category. You are encouraged to review Article 1.3 of the WT Ranking Bylaw to better understand the significance of this process. All senior Kyorugi athletes are encouraged to select an Olympic weight category.

Additionally, we strongly recommend declaring Olympic Weight Categories for athletes expected to compete in the Continental Junior Championships (CJC) this year, to ensure that medalists turning 17 by year-end receive points in their preferred Olympic Weight Category. In case the medalist at the CJC does not have an Olympic Weight Category declared at the time of awarding the points in the rankings, the pertinent ranking points shall be awarded according to Article 2.7.4.5 of the WT Ranking Bylaw.

To submit the declarations, please complete the spreadsheet (available HERE) sent with this letter by entering each athlete's full name, WT licence number, and the desired Olympic Weight Category. Kindly ensure accuracy, as the selection will be linked to the WT licence number. Declarations cannot be made for athletes without a WT licence number.

Please note, if an athlete already has an Olympic Weight Category selected and no change is required, you do not have to resubmit their declaration. The previously selected Olympic Weight Categories are retained till a change is declared.

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Kindly ensure that the completed spreadsheet is provided to my colleague, Mr. Kabir Kar, between May 1st and 25th, with a **final deadline** of **May 25th**, **2025**, **23:59 Swiss Time (GMT+2)**. Submissions received **after this deadline will not be accepted**, and no further changes will be permitted until the next declaration window in **May 2026**.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Kar with any queries at kabir.gms@worldtaekwondo.org.

Sincerely yours,

Justin Tenbeth

Director - World Taekwondo Global Membership System (GMS)