



33rd BELGIAN OPEN KYORUGI & POOMSAE 2012



European Taekwondo Union Official A - Class Tournament

INVITATION KYORUGI *Cadets, Juniors and Seniors*

Dear Mr President,
Dear Sir,
Dear Madam,

On behalf of the Belgian Taekwondo Union, I am proud to invite You and Your athletes to participate in the 33rd Belgian Open Taekwondo Championships Kyorugi and Poomsae 2012 which will be held in Gent, Belgium, on **31 March and 1 April 2012**.

The Belgian Open Championships are the perfect preparation for the European Senior Championships Kyorugi in May in Manchester and for the World Championships Poomsae in Columbia!!

For the **Kyorugi competition** Electronic Body Protectors from DAEDO will be used for Cadets, Juniors and Seniors. **Daedo is the official WTF recognized EBP and will be used for all the competition areas.**

We guarantee high quality organization and competition - with only the best international referees worldwide - in order to guarantee high level transparency, fair play & impartiality for the athletes.

We are looking forward to receive your **confirmation of participation** for this event **no later than 12 March 2012**. **Hotel bookings** must reach the organization **no later than 27 February 2012**.

The Belgian Taekwondo Union will be honoured to welcome You and Your athletes.

Yours sincerely,



Steve Grommen

President National Belgian Taekwondo Union
President Flemish Taekwondo Union

1. ORGANIZATION

Supervisor	National Belgian Taekwondo Union
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President	Mr. Steve Grommen
Kyorugi Referee Directors	Mr. Fernando Mercurio Mr. Luc Taens

2. DATE AND PLACE

Date	30, 31 March and 1 April 2012
Competition date	Saturday 31 March and Sunday 1 April 2012
Competition hall	Topsportal Vlaanderen Zuiderlaan 14, 9000 Gent
<u>Time table:</u>	
Friday 30 March	Registration & weigh-in for both competition days in competition hall. Weigh-in: 14:00 – 21:00 (local time) for all competitors. Registration: 14:00 – 20:00 (local time) Changes of weight divisions after the deadline are allowed. Cost of changing: 15 euro for each modification.
Saturday 31 March	Program: 09.00: Contests cadets, juniors and seniors Cadets female: -29, -37, -44, -51, -59 Cadets male: -33, -41, -49, -57, -65 Juniors female: -42, -46, -52, -59, -68 Juniors male: -45, -51, -59, -68, -78 Seniors female: -46, -53, -62, -73 Seniors male: -54, -63, -74, -87 12.00 – 14.00: Weigh-in for competitions on Sunday. No coaches allowed. 19.00 - 21.00: Finals / award presentation (times are subject to change)
Sunday 1 April	Program: 09.00: Contests cadets, juniors and seniors Cadets female: -33, -41, -47, -55, +59 Cadets male: -37, -45, -53, -61, +65 Juniors female: -44, -49, -55, -63, +68 Juniors male: -48, -55, -63, -73, +78 Seniors female: -49, -57, -67, +73 Seniors male: -58, -68, -80, +87 17.00 - 19.00: Finals / award presentation (times are subject to change)

3. CONTESTANTS

Condition for participation

Proof of membership by valid National Federation Passport with ETU/WTF membership. All competitors have to prove their age and nationality by presenting their passport or identification card at the 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) at registration signed by parents or lawful guardians, accepting the participation and all parts of the official invitation.

Categories

Cadets male and female
Juniors male and female
Seniors male and female

Age

Age categories according to ETU/WTF-categories

Cadets: born in 1998, 1999 and 2000

Juniors: born in 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998

Seniors: born in 1994 and older

Athletes born in 1998 may compete as cadet or as junior.

Juniors born in 1995 or 1996 may compete as a junior or senior.

Graduation

Cadets must hold at least 4th Geup (blue belt).

Juniors and Seniors must hold at least 2nd Geup (red belt).

Liability

All competitors participate at their own risk. The organizers or the VTB shall not accept responsibility for any damages, injuries or losses sustained or incurred.

Weight Categories

WTF weight categories

Cadets female

-29kg, -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -44kg, -47kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, +59kg

Junior female

-42kg, -44kg, -46kg, -49kg, -52kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, +68kg

Senior female

-46kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -62kg, -67kg, -73kg, +73kg

Cadets male

-33 kg, -37kg, -41kg, -45kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -61kg, -65kg, +65 kg

Junior male

-45kg, -48kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, -73kg, -78kg, +78kg

Senior male

-54kg, -58kg, -63kg, -68kg, -74kg, -80kg, -87kg, +87kg

4. COMPETITION RULES

Competition Rules

WTF competition rules

Practical info

12 competition areas, all with electronic scoring system.
Single elimination tournament system.

Equipment

Cadets, Juniors and Seniors: DAEDO protector scoring systems. Head gear, groin/forearm/shin guards and gloves are compulsory and must be brought by the contestant. **Mouth piece is compulsory!**

- 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 30 March until 1 April 2012.

5. ENTRY

- Applications** Subscriptions via **Taekoplan Tournament Subscription Site (TPSS)**
To **register** and **login** to the service please use this link:

www.tpss.nl

- Deadline** **Monday 12 March 2012**
Entries after this deadline will not be accepted

- Entry Fee** **€ 45 (Euro)** for each contestant
Entry fees must be paid by bank before the deadline of 12 March 2012! The entry fee must be paid and specified to the bank account of the Vlaamse Taekwondo Bond vzw:

Bank: Dexia, Havermarkt 36-38, B-3500 Hasselt
Account: BE21 0682 3723 0503
Swift Code: GKCCBEBB

The costs of the bank transfer (non-Euro zone) will be charged.
There will be no refund if a registered competitor fails to show up for the competition!

NOTE: Registrations are only valid when payments have been received and can be confirmed by the Bank and the Organizer.

- Modifications** For all modifications that are to be made after the deadline, an administration fee of **€ 15,-** will be charged. This must be paid in cash at the registration.

- Coach** For every 5 contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of 3 coaches.
Only competitors and coaches have admittance to the competition areas.
Coaching is only allowed in sports wear (no dobok!). All coaches must be 18 years or older!

All coaches need to register on **www.tpss.nl** and are obliged to upload a photograph. An amount of **€ 5 (Euro)** has to be paid when this is not done or if a photograph of another person was uploaded. In case you didn't upload a photo you can take a photo at the registration desk but it will cost 5 euro.

- Spectators** Up to 7 years old: admission is free
8 years and older: 1 day-ticket € 5 (Euro)

6. INTERNATIONAL REFEREES KYORUGI

Invitations for International Kyorugi Referees will be made by the Referee Directors.

Hotel and full board accommodation from **30 March** until **1 April 2012** will be provided by the organization.

7. ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT

Hotels in Gent are quickly fully booked in this period of the year!! Gent is a major sought-after tourist destination and offers a lot of cultural, business and sport possibilities.

We learned from the past that it is necessary to offer **cheap hotel accommodation**. Therefore, the organization is holding an allocation of rooms in Gent from 30 March to 1 April 2012 at very reasonable prices!! Teams and National teams are encouraged to book their required number of rooms early through the organization of the Flemish Taekwondo Union vzw to guarantee cheap prices and enough hotel rooms.

To book hotel accommodation, you can visit our website www.belgianopentaekwondo.be There you will find the options we offer under the heading "Hotels". **Deadline is 27 February!!**

Only NATIONAL teams that are staying in a hotel of the organization can be provided transport at the following conditions:

(!) The organization will provide transportation to the national teams which inform us the dates and flight schedule. Transportation will be provided from airport to the hotel and from the hotel to the airport, from the hotel to the competition venue and from the competition venue to the hotel.

(!) An extra **cost of €50 per room per night** will be charged and must be paid in advance **before 27 February 2012**.

Note that there is **no weigh-in in the morning of the competition day**, only in the evening prior to the competition. This means the weigh-in for the competitions on Saturday is on Friday evening, the weigh-in for the competitions on Sunday is on Saturday evening.

8. OTHERS

First Aid	Will be provided by the organization and is only to be used in case of an emergency!
Insurance	The organization and supervisor assume no responsibility for teams, any damages, violence, losses and injuries during the stay in Belgium. All contestants must bring their own documents and forms for any medical treatment in Belgium. If not, this must be paid in cash.
Press	Filming and photographing is not allowed on the competition area, unless for press members. Recording from the public stands is only allowed for handy cam-type cameras. If you want to bring a photographer or a journalist, please mention it by email.

This tournament is also supported by:

