



May 7, 2026

**To: Presidents and Secretaries General
World Taekwondo Member National Associations**

2026 KAZAKHSTAN OPEN G-1

Dear Taekwondo Family

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to 2026 Kazakhstan Open G-1 2026 on behalf of Kazakhstan Taekwondo (WT) Federation.

We are proud to host this important event in our beautiful capital, Astana, and to welcome Athletes, Coaches, Officials and Taekwondo fans from around the world.

2026 Kazakhstan Open G-1 is more than just a competition - it is a celebration of Taekwondo, Unity, and International Friendship. We look forward to witness exciting matches, strong spirit, and the values that define our sport - Respect, Discipline and Perseverance. I am confident that this tournament will leave lasting memories for all participants.

As hosts, we have spared no effort to ensure a seamless and memorable experience for all participants. We are confident that our event will be conducted with professionalism and fairness, allowing athletes to showcase their skills in a supportive and inspiring environment.

We wish all athletes the best of luck and hope that they enjoy their time in Astana.

Sincerely yours,

Kudrat SHAMIYEV

**President
Kazakhstan Taekwondo (WT) Federation**



OUTLINE

2026 KAZAKHSTAN OPEN G-1 2026

- 1. SANCTIONED BY: WORLD TAEKWONDO**
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- 2. ORGANIZING MNA: KAZAKHSTAN TAEKWONDO (WT) FEDERATION**
- ADDRESS:** Office 712, 12/1 Kunayev Str., Astana, Kazakhstan
WEB-SITE: [Official website of the Kazakhstan Taekwondo Federation \(kztkd.kz\)](http://kztkd.kz)
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- 3. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: KAZAKHSTAN TAEKWONDO (WT) FEDERATION**
- ADDRESS:** Office 712, 12/1 Kunayev Str., Astana, Kazakhstan
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- 4. VENUE:** The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
Kabanbay Batyr Avenue, 43, Astana,
Kazakhstan
- 5. COMPETITION DATE:** June 25 -27, 2026
- 6. QUALIFICATIONS**
In accordance with *Article 4: Qualification of Contestant* of the WT Competition Rules, the contestant must be:
- CRITERION #1:** Holder of the nationality of the participating team
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- CRITERION #2:** Holder of the Kukkiwon Poom or Dan Certificate
(*A copy of the Dan certificate should be uploaded to GMS prior to registration for event. In case a contestant has applied for a Kukkiwon Dan certificate but has not received it yet, a copy of the Dan application form and the remittance certificate sent to the Kukkiwon must be uploaded to GMS prior to registration for event. Please refer to the Kukkiwon Web site (www.kukkiwon.or.kr) for more information.)
- CRITERION #3:** An athlete must be 17 years old or older in the year of 2026 Kazakhstan Open G-1. Athletes who were born in the year of 2009 or before are eligible for participation in the competition.
- CRITERION #4:** Holder of the WT Global Athlete License (GAL)
* Any questions on the WT GAL please contact your assigned WT GMS Manager
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7. COMPETITION RULES

General - WT competition rules apply to all competitions

Video replay:

For all categories on all competition areas.

Competition system:

Single elimination tournament system will be used on all competition areas for all categories.

CONTEST TIME:

Best of three (3) system will be used

Seniors: 3 x 2 min, 1-min break between each round

Juniors: 3 x 1,5 min, 1-min break between each round

Cadets: 3 x 1,5 min, 1-min break between each round

The TD has the authority to adjust the contest time

Equipment - PSS including e-head protectors will be provided for all categories. All contestants must bring their own WT recognized equipment including E-gloves, Sensor socks, Groin guard, Forearm guards, Shin guards, Mouthguard.

Scoring system:

KPNP scoring system will be used during 2026 Kazakhstan Open G-1.

Limit of athletes:

Limit for cadets is 300 athletes

Limit for juniors is 300 athletes

Limit for seniors is 300 athletes Athletes registered after the limit for each day will be excluded from the list.

8. METHOD OF COMPETITION

- i. Grade: G1
- ii. Seeding and drawing of lots: For every weight category, regardless of number of athletes all the athletes will be seeded based on WT World Ranking.

9. WT GLOBAL LICENCE & ONLINE REGISTRATION

- i. **WT Global License Registration**
All Athletes and Team officials must FIRST be registered with a WT Global Athlete License (GAL) or Global Official License (GOL).
- ii. **WT Online Registration**
Participating Team Entry will only be accepted through the WT online registration system and registration is only possible with a valid WT Global License. Participating Team GMS admins will be notified via email once online registration is open.

10. ENTRY FEES:

- i. The OC shall collect the entry fees from the participating teams. The participating team shall pay an entry fee to the Organizing Committee by bank transfer.
- ii. The official registration fee is 100 USD per participant, payable via bank transfer. The entry fee must be transferred to the designated account no later than June 5, 2026.
- iii. Cash payments USD 150 for each competitor to be paid in cash at registration desk.
- iv. Athletes shall not be allowed to compete without successful payment of entry fee to the Organizing Committee.
- v. Change of weight division \$25 for each change of medal event made after deadline

Entry fees must be paid in US Dollars. Additional currency charges must be paid by the participating team/competitor. All currency charges which are charged to the account of the OC must be balanced cash during registration. Payment must be made to the following bank account:

***** Banking Information**



Beneficiary's Name: PA «Kazakhstan Taekwondo (WT) Federation»
Beneficiary's Bank Name: Halyk Bank JSC
Beneficiary's Bank Account: KZ506010111000185966
BIN 980840009341
Bank SWIFT Code: HSBKZKX
Beneficiary's Bank Address: 18 Turan Avenue, Nura District, Astana 010000, Kazakhstan
Currency: US dollar

11. ENTRY DEADLINES & IMPORTANT DATES

- i. **Entry deadline is June 5, 2026 GMT +5 (Astana time).** Entry submissions after this date/time will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- ii. Late replacement due to injury shall be handled case by case.
- iii. The registered athletes within registered category may be replaced **without penalty until June 5, 2026.**
- iv. Entry fee of US\$ 100 per athlete will not be charged in case of cancellation of participation until June 5, 2026.
- v. Entry fee must be paid in full in case of the notice of cancellation of participating athletes after June 5, 2026 or no-show.

12. CLASSIFICATION OF RESULTS

- i. Individual Awards
Medals will be awarded to the top four athletes in the respective weight category of the pertinent championships:

1st PLACE:	GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE (All) + Prize Money \$500 (ONLY SENIORS)
2nd PLACE:	SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE (All) + Prize Money \$300 (ONLY SENIORS)
3rd PLACE:	BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE (All) + Prize Money \$100 (ONLY SENIORS)
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- ii. Team Awards
 1. Best Coaches
 - 1 from male team / 1 from female team
 2. Best Referees
 - 3 regardless of gender

**** Dress Code for medalists**

 - All medalists should be dressed as follows during the awards ceremony.
 - >Dobok
 - >Sneakers or Taekwondo shoes

13. INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

International referees shall officiate at the 2026 Kazakhstan Open G-1 the following conditions shall apply:

- i. International Referees are required to pay for their own round-trip airfares.
- ii. The Organizing Committee shall pay the expenses of room and board for the duration of the competition at least two (2) days before and one (1) day after the tournament.
- iii. The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of US\$150 to the selected International Referees for each working day.
- iv. The OC will facilitate local transportation between the airport, designated hotel and competition venue.

14. WT-RECOGNIZED TAEKWONDO COMPETITION UNIFORM AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- i. KPNP K2 Protector and Scoring System (PSS) including PSS Headgear will be used for the Championships.
- ii. Participating contestants are required to wear **WT-recognized competition uniform** and WT- recognized

- protective equipment. The latest version of WT recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html>
- iii. The Organizing Committee will provide Protector and Scoring System (PSS) to the participating contestants. Participating contestants are required to bring their own groin guards, mouthpieces, gloves, sensing socks and shin and forearm guards for their personal use.
 - iv. Before entering the field of play, all contestants will proceed to the inspection desk for inspection of their competition uniforms and protective equipment. **Any contestant who wears unofficial competition uniforms or protective equipment will not be permitted to compete.**
 - v. The top has to cover completely the buttocks. However, the bottom of top should be more than 15 cm above the knee cap.
 - vi. Instant Video Replay (IVR) System will be used.
 - vii. Wireless communication system between center referee and review jury will be used.

15. MEDICAL CONTROL

- i. The WT Anti-Doping Rules, and where necessary the Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency, shall apply throughout the competitions.
- ii. Compulsory anti-doping tests will be carried out for selected medalists, while random tests will be conducted to the rest of the athletes. The WT and/or WADA may carry out random out of competition testing prior to the championships.
- iii. TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption)
Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WT Anti- Doping Rules and Anti-Doping Code of World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for therapeutic purposes are requested to submit TUE applications via ADAMS, together with the required medical information. If you do not have an ADAMS account yet, please contact tue@ita.sport to have it set up.
Otherwise, please download the TUE Application Form [HERE](#) and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to tue@ita.sport with copy to antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org by at least 30 days before the first competition day. For more details, please see the following page of the WT website: http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti_doping-wt/therapeutic.html
- iv. WT Mouth guard, Taping and Bracing rules
<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/WT-Mouthguard-brace-taping-and-padding-rules-5-29-2019.pdf>

16. HEAD OF TEAM MEETING & DRAWING OF LOTS

- i. The head of team meeting shall be conducted one (1) day prior to the start of the 1st day of competition, in the presence of the representatives of the participating nations.
- ii. At least one representative from each team must attend the head of team meeting. In case no representative can attend the meeting, the team must designate a proxy and inform the technical delegate before the meeting.
- iii. Drawing of lots will take place each day following the completion of General Weigh-in. The draw will be published on the official OC website.
Additional Notes:
 - Participating teams are responsible for confirming their entries before the head of team meeting.
 - A certain number of contestants shall be seeded based on the WT Ranking, and it will be announced at the head of the team meeting.

17. WEIGH-IN

- i. General weigh-in of the contestants shall take place on the day before their respective weight category.
- ii. Random weigh-in of the contestants shall take place in the morning on the competition day of their respective weight category except M+87 & W+73.
- iii. Random weigh-in shall apply to following number of athletes with 5% allowance as below tables.
- iv. During the weigh-in, male contestants shall wear underpants and female contestants shall wear underpants and brassieres. However, contestants may weigh-in in the nude if they want to do so.

Number of contestants in weight category	Number (%) of random weigh-in contestants
More than 32	20%
17-32	6
9-16	4
4-8	2
Below 4	0

18. ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION

All participants are responsible for booking their own accommodation and transportation.

19. VISA INFORMATION

The Organizing Committee can provide invitation letters for visa applications. **Please, send Invitation letter request to intl@kaztkd.kz.** However, participating teams are required to check the Kazakhstan entry visa application waiting time in their own countries and submit requests for invitation letters to the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee cannot guarantee entry into Kazakhstan and can only offer assistance. It is the responsibility of each athlete and MNA to apply for and secure the correct entry visa for Kazakhstan.

Entry rules may be subject to change, the current information can be found here: <https://www.gov.kz/memleket/entities/mfa/press/article/details/6764?lang=en>

It is the responsibility of each participant to apply for and obtain the appropriate visa for entry into Kazakhstan. Please carefully read the instructions for foreign nationals entering Kazakhstan (wpk.kz). An invitation letter from the Organizing Committee will be sent within 3 working days after the request. Other visa invitations with a barcode, issued by the Government of Kazakhstan, are processed and issued within 10 working days.

OC will only accept request for Invitation letter before June 9.

E-VISA Guideline:

Some participants may apply for E-Visa. Please read E-visa link below carefully Visa-immigration portal (<http://vmp.gov.kz>)

20. ATHLETE REPLACEMENT

In the event that the registered athletes should be replaced by another due to injuries, the participants can officially request to the OC for the replacement by **no later than June 12th, 2026** y submitting 'Athlete Late Replacement Form' together with certification from the medical doctor in the language of the pertinent country and also in English to intl@kaztkd.kz. The decision on the acceptance will be made after evaluation of the submitted documents.

21. COACH'S REQUIREMENTS

All coaches are required to hold WT Coach Certificate Level I (1). **Coaches those do not hold Level I coach certificate will be deleted from the registration and not allowed to coach at the Championships.**

All coaches are required to wear formal suit such as tie, jacket, dress shirt (long or short), and trousers, and sport shoes during all competitions. Any type of cap/hat is not allowed. If any coach refuses to wear above mentioned attire, he or she will not be allowed to coaching for this championship.



ATHLETE LATE REPLACEMENT FORM

To: Kazakhstan Taekwondo Federation (WT)
Email: intl@kaztkd.kz
NAME OF COMPETITION: 2026 KAZAKHSTAN OPEN G-1
SUBSTITUED ATHLETE (to be removed from team list)

Table with 2 columns: Field Name and Value. Fields include: ATHLETE NAME (Family name in capital letter), GENDER (MALE/FEMALE), WT GAL Number, Date of Birth (Day/ Month/ Year), Weight Category (KG), Date and place of Injury, Medical Condition.

* A separate certificate by the medical doctor on the athlete's injury and medical condition should be attached in the language of the pertinent country and in English.

SUBSTITUED ATHLETE (to be added to team list)

Table with 3 columns: Field Name, Value, PHOTO. Fields include: NATIONALITY, ATHELTE NAME (Family name in capital letter), GENDER (MALE/FEMALE), WT GAL Number, DATE OF BIRTH (Day/ Month/ Year), COUNTRY OF BIRTH, Weight Category (KG), PASSPORT NUMBER, KUKKIWON DAN CERTIFICATE NUMBER.

MNA PRESIDENT SIGNATURE & STAMP

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* IMPORTANT: This form will be accepted only if medical confirmation in writing in English from the responsible medical doctor is attached to this form after due evaluation of the OC.

TIMETABLE

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
Jun 23	All Day	Team Arrivals	The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
	10:00 – 19:00	Registration for all Athletes	
Jun 24	10:00 – 19:00	Registration for all Athletes	The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
	15:00 – 16:30	Head of Team Meeting	
	15:00 – 17:00	General Weigh-in for all Senior Categories	
	17:00 – 18:00	International Referee Meeting	
Jun 25	08:00 – 08:30	Random	The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
	09:00	Start Senior Competition	
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
	13:30	Competition Continues	
	12:00 – 14:00	General Weigh-in for all Junior Categories	
	16:00	Opening Ceremony	
Jun 26	19:00	Awarding Ceremony	The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
	08:00 – 08:30	Random	
	09:00	Start Junior Competition	
	12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
	12:00 – 14:00	General Weigh-in for all Cadet Categories	
Jun 27	19:00	Awarding Ceremony	The Martial Arts Palace named after Zhaksylyk Ushkempirov
	08:00 – 08:30	Random	
	09:00 – 12:30	Start Cadet Competition	
	12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
Jun 28	All day	Departures of Teams and Athletes	