



INVITATION LETTER

Dear Mr. President,

Dear Sir/Madam

After having successfully organized “SOFIA OPEN” – 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014 with over 1000 participants and “SOFIA CUP” – 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013, we are pleased and honored to invite you and your athletes to participate in the:

8th “RAMUS SOFIA OPEN” 2021

WT - G1 INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT

Sofia, March 6th and 7th, 2021

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 February 26th 2021.

We truly hope that we can welcome you to participate in “SOFIA OPEN 2021” 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/



8. RAMUS SOFIA OPEN 2021

WT G1 INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT Sofia, 6th and 7th March, 2021

Promoter: Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation – WT

President: Mr. Slavi Binev – President – BTF

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Dates: 6th and 7th March 2021

Place: Hotel Ramada Sofia City Center,
Maria Luiza 131 Blvd, Sofia, Bulgaria 1202

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/dqaFkkGp8rU4UGCr5>

Application Deadline: 23:59 Bulgarian time on 26th of February 2021

Online Registration: <https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com>

Entry fee and Payment: 100 € per applied competitor **paid by bank:**

This price is only valid when online payment has been done before 27th of February. If the payment arrives later, 20 € extra per athlete should be paid in cash at the registration.

120 € per applied competitor paid at cash at registration or if payment by bank transfer has arrived after the deadline 27th of February 2021;

Entry fee is payable via bank account or at cash at registration.

If an athlete registered online through the WT 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 (26.02.2021), his/her team official must fully (100%) pay his/her entry fee for participation. The Organizing Committee does not refund entry fees paid.

All entry fees must be paid no later than 27th February 2021 to the following bank account:

Recipient: Taekwondo club Ramus

Name of Bank: First Investment Bank, Bulgaria



IBAN: BG39FINV91501203949844
BIC: FINVBGSF

Reason for payment: Team name + SO2021

A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to:

E-Mail: sofiaopen@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 – against an additional fee of 30 euros for each change.*

Additional accreditation card: *25 euro for each replacement and reprinting request of accreditation cards.*

Competition Rules: The last WT Competition rules will be apply

Protector and Scoring System: WT approved PSS (Daedo Generation 2) will be used.

The Organizing Committee will provide 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 WT-approved equipment.

Instant Video Replay will be used for all courts.

OVR: Taekoplan SenSoft Automation

Conditions of participation

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Participants with NO confirmed and paid booking at the hotel of the competition (official hotel) must show a negative RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2 or Rapid test SARS CoV 2 (Ag) by accredited laboratory on the day of registration/weigh-in and will be tested on the day of competition with a Rapid test SARS CoV 2 (Ag) at their expense due to COVID-19 restrictions and overall safety. The cost for a Rapid test SARS CoV 2 (Ag) is 20 euro and has to be in paid cash at place.



All participants who stay at the hotel of the competition (official hotel) must show a negative RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2 or Rapid test SARS CoV 2 (Ag) test on the day of registration. The test shall be taken up to 72 hours prior to the event. During the competition all participants should stay within their rooms in the hotel except for training, competition, and meals due to COVID-19 restrictions and overall safety. Everyone who enter the hotel with be subject to body temperature check.

COVID testing will be possible on-site at hotel if requested by the participants in advance by email to office@ramustkd.org or to the OC.

Proof of membership by valid national Federation passport with WTE/WT membership. All contestants have to proof their age and nationality by presenting national ID or passport 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.

All Athletes & Officials must hold a valid 2021 WT Global Licence and must be a member of a National Taekwondo Federation affiliated to the WT. **Onsite registration for WT Global License is not possible.** Registration must be done in advance.

Entry fees are obligated at all times. All participants of the 8th Ramus Sofia Open 2021 (officials & contestants) are responsible that they are registered and approved through their respective WT Member National Association at least 1 month before the tournament it is required for.

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

Age Groups:

- Seniors: born in 2004 and older (WT G1 ranking)
- Juniors: born in 2004, 2005, 2006
- Cadets: born in 2007, 2008 and 2009
- Children: born in 2010, 2011 and 2012

Athletes born in 2004 could compete in Juniors and/or in Seniors.

Categories:

Seniors Male: -54kg, -58kg, -63kg, -68kg, -74kg, -80kg, -87kg, +87kg;

Seniors Female: -46kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -62kg, -67kg, -73kg, +73kg;

Juniors Male: -45kg, -48kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, -73kg, -78kg, +78kg;

Junior Female: -42kg, -44kg, -46kg, -49kg, -52kg, -55kg, -59kg, -63kg, -68kg, +68 kg;

Cadets Male: -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -45kg, -49kg, -53kg, -57kg, -61kg, -65kg, +65kg;

Cadets Female: -29kg, -33kg, -37kg, -41kg, -44kg, -47kg, -51kg, -55kg, -59kg, +59 kg;

Children Male and Female: -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, +57kg;

Graduation:

- Children and Cadets must hold at least 6th Gup;
- Juniors & Seniors must hold at least 2nd Gup.



Match duration:

- Seniors, Juniors and Cadets: 3x1,5 min (60 sec. break);
- Children: 2 x 1,5 min (60 sec. break)

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

Seeding:

Upon decision of WT Technical Delegate, seeding will be between 25% and 100% based on the latest available WT Ranking List.

Recognized brands

Recognized brands Participating contestants are required to wear WT recognized doboks, belts and WT-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/>

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 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:

1. Every gold medal – 120 points;
2. Every silver medal – 50 points;
3. Every bronze medal – 20 points;
4. 1 point per each contestant who entered the competition area after passing the general weigh-in;
5. 1 point per each win (win by a bye included)

Coaches

Starting from January 1st 2021 WT [Level I] Coach certificate or above is mandatory for officiating at WT promoted, sanctioned and recognized competitions. For every five contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of four coaches. Every additional coach above the maximum allowed number should pay **30 euro** admission. 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. The following accreditations will be provided to team member on request to the OC:



Role	Male Team	Female Team
MNA Official		3
Head of Team		1
Manager		1
Trainer	1	1
Team Doctor		2

The trainers will not be allowed to the competition area

To register a Doctor – Proof of Medical Doctor/Physio therapist certificate in English.

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 the International referees from 5th March until 7th March 2021. For information: referees@ramutkd.org

Admission/ Tickets

No audience will be allowed due to COVID-19 restrictions and overall safety measures.

Visa

All teams who require a visa invitation should send Appendix 1 – Visa Detail Form to the Bulgarian Taekwondo Federation (office@taekwondo-bulgaria.org or sofiaopen@ramustkd.org).

Accommodation

All participants will be offered preferential accommodation prices in the official hotel by the OC – **Ramada Sofia City Center**. To use the preferential prices make a reservation through office@ramustkd.org

Prices are as follows:

Ramada Sofia City Ceter		
Economic/ Superior Single room	Price per room full board – 65 euro	Price per room half board – 55 euro
Business Single room	Price per room FB – 85 euro	Price per room HB – 75 euro
Economic/ Superior Double room full board	Price per room FB – 110 euro	Price per room HB – 90 euro



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Business Double room	Price per room FB – 130 euro	Price per room HB – 110 euro
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Full board includes breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Half board includes breakfast and dinner.

Those prices are available in euro per room and include free Wi-Fi, Spa center, fitness and parking. For reservations please send an email to hotels@ramustkd.org.

Transportation (airport - hotel – airport) is included in the provided rates when the reservation is made through the OC at hotels@ramustkd.org.

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

Transportation

Transportation (airport - hotel – airport) is included in the provided rates when reservation is through the OC.

Hashtags and social media:

#RamusSofiaOpen #SO2021



EVENT SCHEDULE

5th March 2021 (Friday):

12:00 – 20:00 – Registration, **Hotel Ramada Sofia City Center**

12:00 – 20:00 – Weigh-in for athletes competing on 6.03, Hotel Ramada Sofia City Center

6th March 2021 (Saturday): Juniors, Cadets and Children – Hotel Ramada Sofia City Center

07:00 – Random Weigh-in Selection (Publication at <https://tpss.eu>; www.sofia-open.com and Facebook event page);

07:30 – Random Weigh-in

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

10:00 – 16:00 – Registration – at the sports hall

14:00 – 16:00 – Weigh-in competitors competing on Sunday – at the sports hall

17:00 – Finals and Award Ceremony

7th March 2020 (Sunday): Seniors – Hotel Ramada Sofia City Center

07:00 – Random Weigh-in Selection (Publication at <https://tpss.eu> ; www.sofia-open.com and Facebook event page)

07:30 – Random Weigh-in

08:00 – Referee meeting

08:30 – Head-of-Team Meeting

08:45 – Equipment checkpoints open up and start checking the athletes for the first matches

09:00 – Start of matches

17:00 – Finals and Award Ceremony

8th March 2020 (Monday): Departure of teams

The Organizers reserve the right to make changes in the outline 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:

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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

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Point of Relationship

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Date Signature

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