



***Competitors, Coaches, Masters, Instructors and Taekwondo friends:***

I would like to invite you and your school to attend this year's International Martial Arts Festival (IMAF) at the Wyndham Resort in Orlando, Florida! This competition has assembled some of the best United States and South American Region competitors. We have already CONFIRMED that multiple Puerto Rican and Dominican Republic Teams will join us at this year's festival.

The IMAF Taekwondo Open is here to develop the sport of Taekwondo by giving athletes a quality competition that features matted rings, electronic scoring (Gen 2 w/ E-headgear for Cadet, Junior, and Senior Black Belts) along with certified referees for Traditional Forms, Breaking, Weapons, Sparring, and Sport Poomsae. Grassroots Black Belt divisions will also be offer on Sunday (Non-Daedo). We will also bring in top quality International Referees from across the country, along with a few from outside the United States, to give our athletes a premier competition.

IMAF Taekwondo Open Sparring and Sport Poomsae competition will be governed by the WT/USAT Olympic rules with a few modifications. There will be a NO HEAD contact rule for all 11& under divisions. The WT rules were designed to create more exciting matches for competitors and spectators alike.

**We are excited to offer ALL Traditional Forms will run under a double-elimination format. We feel this level's the competition playing field and allows the competitor to perform their form at least two times.**

To ensure a quality event, all athletes must pick up their credentials in person. We run a fair and organized event for all players, parents and coaches.

If you have any question, please contact me at the number or email listed below.

**We look forward to seeing you this October!**



*GM. Bill Ferkile*

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**DATES:** October 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> 2023

**LOCATION:** WYNDHAM ORLANDO RESORT 8001 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE, ORLANDO, FL 32819

**REGISTRATION:** <https://imaf2023.myuventex.com/#login;id=261100;eventType=SuperEvent>

**TAEKWONDO DIRECTOR:** Grand Master Bill Ferkile

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**WEBSITE:** <http://www.internationalmartialartsfestival.com>

**AWARDS:** Custom medals will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and two 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.

**MEDICAL SERVICES:** Medical services will be provided by Bare Essentials Sports Medicine

**EQUIPMENT MANAGER:** Electronics will be provided by Daedo South

## **EVENTS:**

- Friday – Breaking and Weapons
- Saturday – Traditional Poomsae, Color Belt Sparring (All Ages), 11 & Under Black Belt Sparring
- Sunday – 12 & up Black Belt Sparring (Gen 2 w/ Electronic Headgear), Grassroots Sparring & Sport Poomsae



# **ENTRY FEES & Qualifications**

All registration must be completed online at IMAF - International Martial Arts Festival TKD Olympic Style open. Competition age will be based on year of birth (the same as WT, USAT, and AAU). Competitors Must be a member in good standing of a Martial Arts/Taekwondo school. Must be familiar with Olympic Style Sparring.

## **Athlete's Online Registration:**

<https://imaf2023.myuventex.com/#login;id=261100;eventType=SuperEvent;se=86300>

- Online: April 1<sup>st</sup> - June 30<sup>th</sup> - \$80.00 for one event, \$15.00 for each additional event
- Online: July 1<sup>st</sup> - August 31<sup>st</sup> - \$85.00 for one event, \$20.00 for each additional event
- Online: September 1<sup>st</sup> - September 30<sup>th</sup> - \$90.00 for one event, \$20.00 for each additional event
- Online: October 1<sup>st</sup> - October 15<sup>th</sup> - \$95.00 for one event, \$25.00 for each additional event
- Online: October 16<sup>th</sup> - October 29<sup>th</sup> - \$100.00 for one event, \$30.00 for each additional event

**Coaches:** Coach Registration Fee \$50. Online Registration only. No one will be allowed to coach without a pass.

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## **Spectators:**

IMAF One Day Pass – Friday - \$15.00

IMAF One Day Pass – Saturday - \$25.00

IMAF One Day Pass – Sunday - \$15.00

IMAF Weekend Pass - \$40.00

**There will be NO Refunds**



# **Schedule of Events**

## **FRIDAY – October 27<sup>th</sup>,2023**

12:00 pm – 6:00pm - Credential Pick Up, Weigh-In & On-Site Registration for Friday Competition  
12:00 pm – 9:00pm - Credential Pick Up, Weigh-In & On-Site Registration for Saturday and Sunday Events  
5:30 - Referee Meeting: On-Site Registration Closed for Friday Events  
5:45 - Coach's Meeting  
5:55 - Opening Ceremonies  
6:00 pm - Competition begin for Weapons and Board Breaking

## **SATURDAY- October 28<sup>th</sup>,2023**

8:00 am - Venue Doors Open/ Credential Pick Up, Weigh-In, and On-Site Registration  
8:30 am - Referee Meeting  
8:45 am – Coach's Meeting  
8:55 am - Opening Ceremonies  
9:00 am - Competition Events Begin: Traditional Forms, Color Belt Sparring, 11 & Under Black Belt Sparring  
On-Site Registration Closed for Saturday Events  
12:00 pm - 5:00pm - Credential Pick Up, Weigh-In & On-Site Registration for Sunday **Only**  
7:00pm - IMAF Night Show

## **SUNDAY- October 29<sup>th</sup>,2023**

8:00 am - Venue Doors Open/ Credential Pick Up, Weigh-In, and On-Site Registration  
8:30 am - Referee Meeting: On-Site Registration Closed  
8:45 am – Coach's Meeting  
8:55 am - Opening Ceremonies  
9:00 am - Competition Events Begins: Sport Poomsae & Sparring Black Belt 12 & up (Olympic & Grass Roots)  
All ages report at 9:00 am

**Schedule and events may be changed or amended as needed**

- **All Athletes must check-in and receive a credential in-person**
- Divisions maybe called out of order to expedite the event.
- No entries will be permitted into divisions that have already begun.



# Rules of Competition

The Tournament Promoter has desecration to change and modify any divisions as sees fit

All Age categories will be spilt: 5 & Under, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18-32,  
33-45, 45-55, 55 & up

## Uniform Requirements:

- All contestants must wear a clean Uniform. Athletes are allowed to wear their school uniforms. Uniforms may have school patches.
- Black trim on the collar/lapel of a white uniform is allowed for Black Belts only.
- Team name and school logo (non-offensive) are allowed.
- No Jewelry. Inappropriate or unsafe uniforms will not be allowed. Uniform jacket must not be tucked into the pants.
- All competitors must wear a belt appropriate to their rank with the knot of the belt in the front.
- A Poom Belt (half black/half red) will be considered a Black Belt in ALL Divisions.

## Breaking rules will be as follows:

- All contestants will have 3 minutes to set-up, perform the breaks, and clean up
- All Belts will have Five boards (included with breaking registration)
- Breaking with the head will not be allowed
- Competitors must supply their own Board holders (Board holder do not get in event for free, must at least have a spectator arm band)
- Break all boards on First try will result in 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Two attempts will result in 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Three or more attempts will result in 3<sup>rd</sup> place

## **Weapons rules will be as follows:**

- Any style Martial Arts Weapon will be Accepted (No Sharp Weapons allowed)
- Judging will be based on stances, energy, intensity, quality of movements, and Control of Weapon

## **Traditional Forms rules will be as follows:**

- **Double elimination competition format will be used for all belts**
- Any traditional empty-hand Belt Rank Form may be performed. Form must coincide with Belt Rank (I.E. No Red Belt may perform a Black Belt Form)
- Contestants may switch forms at each round within their belt rank

## **Sport Poomsae rules will be as follows (Sunday Competition):**

- Sport Poomsae competition will be judged and follow WT standards
- Each Participant must wear the correct WT/USAT approved uniform based off age.
- Sport Poomsae designated forms will be posted by October 15<sup>th</sup>
- Sport Poomsae age brackets will be as follows:
  - Youth (10-11), Cadet (12-14), Juniors (15-17), 1<sup>st</sup> Senior (18-30),  
2<sup>nd</sup> Senior (31-40), 1<sup>st</sup> Master (41-50), 2<sup>nd</sup> Master (51-60),  
3<sup>rd</sup> Master (61+)

## Sparring competition will be governed by the WT/USAT Olympic rules with a few modifications:

- Sparring competition will be single elimination for ALL Color Belts and Black Belts.
- All matches will be decided by the best 2 out of 3 rounds (*each round will have a winner*)
- All Color Belt matches will be 1-minute rounds
- 11 & under Black Belt matches will be 1-minute rounds
- 12 & over Black Belts will be 90-second rounds
- No Head Contact 11yrs & Under (All Belts)
- Light Head contact (Junior Safety rules) for all Color Belt 12yrs & up
- Light Head contact for Cadet Black Belts
- Full contact will be allowed for 15yrs and over Black Belts
- All Sparring competitors must wear an appropriate uniform and sparring gear. This includes a White, Red or Blue headgear (if red or blue headgear is required to matched with chest protector color), red and blue reversible chest protector, forearm guard, shin and instep guard, groin cup (Required for males, recommended for females) and mouthpiece (Red mouth pieces are prohibited). Each competitor must provide his or her own equipment. **No Face Shields, glasses, or sport goggles will be allowed.** WT Style hand protectors are optional for color belts, but mandatory for Black Belts 12yrs & up.
- **Black Belts 12 & up competing with Daedo: Gen2 chest pad with electronic headgear (supplied by tournament director).** 12 & up Black Belts are required to provide their own Daedo E-socks Gen 1 or 2 are allowed but Gen 2 is recommended. If you do not have the Daedo E-Socks, you may Purchase them at [www.daedosouth.com](http://www.daedosouth.com).
- **GRASS ROOTS Divisions:** Non-Daedo division and all divisions will follow Light Head contact (Junior Safety rules).
  - **You CANNOT compete in both the Olympic Sparring (Daedo) Division and Grass Roots (Non-Daedo) Division.**

# **Black Belt weight classes for Sunday Competition**

## **Daedo and Grassroots**

### **Cadet Divisions 12 to 14 - Cadetes Divisiones 12 a 14**

<b>Male – Masculino</b>					<b>Female - femenino</b>			
-37KG	Not exceeding 81.6LBS	0	12	Fly - mosca	11	0	Not exceeding 72.8LBS	-33KG
-45KG	81.7 LBS – 99.2LBS	1	15	Feather - Pluma	13	0/1	72.9 LBS – 90.4LBS	-41KG
-53KG	99.3LBS -116.8LBS	2	17	Welter - Wélter	15	1/2	90.5 LBS – 103.6LBS	-47KG
-61KG	116.9LBS – 134.5LBS	2/3	19	Middle - Medio	17	2	103.7 LBS – 121.3LBS	-55KG
+61KG	134.6LBS and up	3	21	Heavy - Pesado	19	3	121.4LBS and up	+55KG

### **Junior Divisions 15 to 17 - Junior Divisiones 15 a 17**

<b>Male – Masculino</b>					<b>Female - femenino</b>			
-48KG	Not exceeding 105.8LBS	1/2	17	Fly - mosca	14	1	Not exceeding 97.0LBS	-44KG
-55KG	105.9 LBS – 121.3LBS	2	19	Feather - Pluma	16	1/2	97.1 LBS – 108.0LBS	-49KG
-63KG	121.4LBS -138.9LBS	2/3	21	Welter - Wélter	18	2	108.1 LBS – 121.3LBS	-55KG
-73KG	139.0LBS – 160.9LBS	3	23	Middle - Medio	20	3	121.4 LBS – 138.9LBS	-63KG
+73KG	161.0LBS and up	3/4	25	Heavy - Pesado	22	3/4	139.0LBS and up	+63KG

### **Senior Divisions 18 to 32 - Divisiones mayores 18 a 32**

<b>Male – Masculino</b>					<b>Female - femenino</b>			
-56KG	Not exceeding 127.9LBS	2/3	22	Fly - mosca	18	1/2	Not exceeding 108.0LBS	-49KG
-68KG	128.0 LBS – 149.9LBS	3	24	Feather - Pluma	20	2	108.1 LBS – 125.7LBS	-57KG
-80KG	150.0LBS -176.4LBS	4	26	Welter - Wélter	22	3	125.8 LBS – 147.7LBS	-67KG
+80KG	176.5LBS and up	4/5	28	Heavy - Pesado	24	3/4	147.8LBS and up	+67KG

## Forms/Patterns accepted for Traditional forms competition

<b>Divisions</b>	<b>ITF</b>	<b>WTF</b>	<b>TSD/MDK</b>
<b>Novice</b> White, Yellow Orange	Chon-Ji Dan-Gun Do-San	Pal Gwe 1-2 Taeguek 1-2	Ki-Cho (KiBon) 1-3 Pyung-An/Pinan 1 Basic Form 1-3
<b>Intermediate</b> Green, Purple Blue	Won-Hyo Yul Gok Joong-Gun Toi-Gye	Pal Gwe 2-6 Taeguek 2-6	Ki-Cho (Ki Bon) 3 Pyung-An/Pinan 1-4
<b>Advanced</b> Red, Brown	Hwa-Rang Choong-Moo	Pal Gwe 6-8 Taeguek 6-8	Pyung-An/Pinan 4-5 Passaai (Bassai)
<b>1st Dan</b>	Kwang-Gae Po-Eun Ge-Baek	Koryo	Jin Do Jit-Te
<b>2nd Dan</b>	Eui-Am Choon-Jang Ko-Dang Juche	Keumgang	Ro-Hai
<b>3rd Dan</b>	Sam-Il Yoo-Sin Choi-Yong	Taebaek	Kong San Kun
<b>4th Dan</b>	Yon-Gae Ul-Ji Moon-Moo	Pyongwon	Wan Shu

## **Hotel: Wyndham Orlando Resort**

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