



# ALL EUROPE TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION

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## **SECTION I – GENERAL**

### **T 1. PURPOSE**

To give opportunity to all European Taekwon-Do clubs/schools to compete with each other and select the best, to promote these clubs/schools as well as the cities and the countries where they are located, to promote TKD on an international level.

### **T 2. APPLICATION**

These are to be applied at every European Cup. They apply to male and female except where stated otherwise.

### **T 3. OFFICIALS**

The Juries, Referees and Judges, will be selected according to the rules of certified Umpires.

### **T 4. DUTIES**

- a. One (1) Jury President will be seated at the Jury table, and will be responsible for decisions as written in the Umpire rules.
- b. One (1) Centre Referee will be in the square to control the match.
- c. Five (5) Judges for pattern and pre arranged free sparring will be seated in a line facing the competition.
- d. Four (4) Judges for sparring will be seated at the four corners of the square. They will give points in accordance with their judgement.
- e. One (1) Jury member will be seated at the Jury table to check time and indicate the beginning, end and continuation of each match.
- f. One (1) Jury member will be seated at the Jury table to keep match records.

### **T 5 . COMPETITORS AND EVENTS:**

Competitors are divided into the following divisions:

#### **Age divisions:**

- a. 14-17 years old
- b. 18 and older

#### **Belt divisions:**

#### **Individual and or Team:**

- a. Coloured Belts - Blue and Red belts (one division)
- b. Black belts - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> degree

#### **Events:**

- a. Individual Pattern
- b. Individual Sparring
- c. Team Pattern
- d. Team Sparring
- e. Pre Arranged Free sparring



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Competitors shall compete in the divisions laid down in the following rules, but all competitors must be healthy and registered with their National associations.

## **T 6. DRESS**

- a.- Officials will wear the dress requirements as laid down in the I.T.F. Umpires rules.
- b.- Competitors, while competing must wear the "official approved" TKD dobok with badges officially approved by the I.T.F. The black belt must be of the official dimensions and must indicate the competitor's degree. Female competitors may wear a white T-shirt under the dobok jacket.
- c.- Competitors are allowed, when not performing, to wear normal sportswear such as track suits, dressing gowns, training shoes, etc. however it is at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.  
For opening and closing ceremonies countries may wear the official ITF dobok or training suit. No participant in the parade is permitted to carry cameras, flags, banners, etc...other than those authorised, on the field during the opening and closing ceremonies. Any participant committing a breach of the above regulations, will be liable to sanctions.
- d.- Drinking of alcoholic beverages or smoking whilst wearing the dobok is prohibited.
- e.- Sponsorship is allowed on the left sleeve measuring 5 x 8 cm

## **T 7. SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND PROTECTIVE WEAR**

- a.- Competitors must wear:
  - i.) Red or blue coloured hand and feet safety equipment of an approved type.
  - ii.) Groin guards must be worn inside the dobok trousers – male only.
  - iii.) Red or blue colored safety helmet of an approved model.
  - iv.) Mouth guards being of a transparent colour.
- b.- Competitors may, optionally, wear the following:
  - i.) Shin protectors.
  - ii.) Breast protectors (must be worn INSIDE the dobok jacket) (female only).
  - iii.) Groin guards must be worn inside the dobok trousers – female only.These all being of an approved type consisting of elasticised material with sponge or rubber type padding and containing no metal, bone or hard plastic or similar hard material whatsoever, nor involving the use of zip, lace or stud fasteners.
- c. No other protective or safety equipment may be worn, except in special circumstances with the approval of the Tournament Committee.
- d. All competitors with injuries which require bandaging or strapping of any kind must satisfy the Tournament doctor of their need, and obtain approval of type before performing i.e. no pins or hard material can be worn, neither can bandaging give extra support so that it constitutes an advantage to that competitor.
- e. No jewellery, watches or other adornments may be worn, hair may be kept in place using a material of a soft elastic nature only, no grips or slides are allowed.

## **T 8. MEDICAL ATTENTION**

One (1) Doctor(s), qualified First Aid personnel and ambulance shall be in attendance. Doctor's recommendations, with regard to competitors' further participation, following injury, must be adhered to.

## **T 9. INJURY LIABILITY AND INSURANCE – COMPETITORS**

All competitors must be in possession of Insurance coverage as the host is not responsible for any eventuality and/or injury.



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## **T 10. INSURANCE – FOR EVENT**

All hosts must ensure that the event booked has all the necessary public liability insurance, fire certificates and Government licences that are all required to host such events.

## **T 11. SQUARE**

Square size will be 9 by 9, or 8 by 8 metres floor space. A jig saw – padding floor must be used at all times. When the square is elevated then the elevations must be at least two (2) metres greater in size than the square. Elevations may be from 50 cm to 100 centimetres.

Lighting must not be lower than five (5) metres above the ground.

The official Jury table is in front of the square.

## **T 12. RESULT RECORDING**

All tournaments will have several forms of visual display of results for the benefit of participants and audience. Results should generally be shown as often as possible so as to enable the competitors to follow the course of the event whilst it is in progress.

## **T 13. DELEGATES**

A delegate of the individual, school and/or team may be any person authorised by the National Association. A delegate registers the competitors, submits the documents, lodges complaints and co-operates with the other officials at the competition.

## **T 14. COACHES**

For individual or team competition there will be only one (1) coach close to the square. During the tournament, coaches must wear a training suit, gymnastic shoes and carry a towel. They will be seated at least one (1) meter away from the square. They must not interfere in the competition by action or words. They are the only ones allowed to present an official protest.

Failure to abide by the above mentioned rules may render the coach liable to be disqualified from his advisory position.

## **T 15. AWARDS (Male and Female)**

### **Individual**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and two (2) 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners are awarded with medals

### **Team**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and two (2) 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners are awarded with medals

### **Overall junior club/school winner**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners are awarded with trophy

### **Overall senior club/school winner**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners are awarded with trophy



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## Overall club/school winner

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners are awarded with trophy

The best schools will be selected according to the point classification below:

### Colour belt category:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – 3 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – 2 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 1 point

### Black belt category:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – 5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – 3 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 2 point

All points from Individual and Team events (Male and Female) will be counting except those with less than 4 competitors/teams.

## T 16. OFFICIAL TERMINOLOGY

(A)	CHA RYOT	ATTENTION
(B)	KYONG YE	BOW
(C)	JUN BI	READY
(D)	SHIJAK	BEGIN
(E)	HAECHYO	SEPARATE
(F)	GAESOK	CONTINUE
(G)	GOMAN	END
(H)	JU UI	WARNING
(I)	GAM JUM	DEDUCTING POINTS
(J)	SIL KYUK	DISQUALIFICATION
(K)	HONG	RED
(L)	CHONG	BLUE
(M)	JUNG JI	TIME STOP
(N)	DONG CHON	DRAW
(O)	IL HUE JONG	FIRST ROUND
(P)	I HUE JONG	SECOND ROUND

## T 17. DIVISION OF COMPETITION

Competition is divided into INDIVIDUAL and TEAM match.  
Pattern and Sparring events will be decided by the pyramid tournament system.  
Pre-arranged free sparring events by the highest point obtained.

N.B.: Individual competitors may enter all items.

### TEAM

Junior and Senior Team match is divided into:

Pattern                                      Male/Female  
Sparring                                      Male/Female

Each team may perform in Pattern and Sparring

In Sparring competitors may be of any weight.



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## **T 18. COMPETITORS NUMBERS – INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM**

TEAM (Male and Female)

Teams may consist of a maximum of ten (10) competitors (not necessarily chosen out of the Individual competitors)

TEAM

Male

Out of the ten (10) competitors a minimum of 5 competitors + 1 reserve (optional) may compete in Pattern.

Out of the ten (10) competitors a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 competitors + 1 reserve (optional) may compete in Sparring.

Female

Out of the ten (10) competitors a minimum of 5 competitors + 1 reserve (optional) may compete in Pattern and Sparring events.

Out of the ten (10) competitors a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 competitors + 1 reserve (optional) may compete in Sparring,

Changes of the team competitors are not allowed once they have been indicated for the various team events.

NOTE: If there is more than one team representing a school/country, one team member can compete in pattern or sparring only in the same team (Team 1 or Team 2). Therefore the participation e.g. in Team 1 for pattern and Team 2 for sparring is not allowed.

## **T 19. ORDER OF MATCH**

Pattern, Sparring and Pre Arranged Free Sparring. This should be followed where possible but is subject to the requirements of the time and schedule of the tournament overall.

## **T 20. WEIGHT CHECK**

Checking the weight of competitors should be done the day before the A.E.T.F. European Cup.

## **T 21. DRAW FOR ORDER OF COMPETING**

Computer draws competitors and teams at the coach meeting.

## **T 22. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It will be announced in which square an event will take place and it is the responsibility of the competitors/teams to be close to the square so that they may compete without delay when called upon to do so. They will be called to the red or blue side of the square complete with any equipment (such as safety equipment) which they require. Should they not come forward immediately then their name and/or country will be called for a second time. Should the individual/team still not come forward to the square within one (1) minute from the second call then they will be disqualified.



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## **T 23. EQUIPMENT CHECK**

Competitors dobok and/or equipment check will take place outside of the square to ensure that they are of an officially approved type and that they are not defective. Should any item(s) not be satisfactory then they must be changed. The competitor/team has a maximum of three (3) minutes to change what is requested, following which he/she/they will be disqualified and the match points awarded to the opponent where appropriate.

## **T 24. COURTESY**

Competitors must at all times bow to the Jury and also to each other at the beginning and end of each performance/match.

## **SECTION II - PATTERN**

### **T 25. GROUPS**

Male and Female.

### **T 26. ELIMINATIONS – INDIVIDUAL**

The pyramid system of elimination will be used. Competitors will compete 1 to 1 and will perform simultaneously one (1) designated Pattern. Beginning from the quarterfinals there will be two (2) designated and optional Pattern. The Judges will choose the best competitor to go forward to the next round.

### **T 27. PERFORMANCE AND DECISIONS – INDIVIDUAL**

Blue and Red belts will compete with blue and red belts the optional Pattern being any one from CHON-JI to Choong-Moo.

1<sup>st</sup> degree will compete with 1<sup>st</sup> degree with the optional Pattern being any one from CHON-JI to GE-BAEK.

2<sup>nd</sup> degree will compete with 2<sup>nd</sup> degree with the optional Pattern being any one from CHON-JI to JUCHE.

3<sup>rd</sup> degree will compete with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree with the optional Pattern being any one from CHON-JI to CHOI-YONG.

4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> degree will compete with 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> degree with the optional Pattern being any one from CHON-JI to MOON-MOO.

In individual matches the following decisions will apply:

- i. When three (3) or more judges give a decision in favour of one competitor then that competitor is the winner.
- ii. When three (3) judges give a draw and two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one competitor then that competitor is the winner.
- iii. When two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one competitor and one (1) judge gives for the other and two (2) judges give a draw, then the competitor with two (2) judges in favour is the winner.
- iv. When two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one competitor and the other two (2) judges give a decision in favour for the other, and one (1) judge gives a draw, then another designated Pattern must be performed, until the winner is decided.
- v. When one (1) judge give a decision in favour of one competitor and four (4) judges give a draw, then another designated Pattern must be performed, until the winner is decided.



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## **T 28. ELIMINATION – JUNIOR AND SENIOR – TEAM**

The pyramid system of elimination will be used. Draw will decide which team performs first. From the second round of the draw a coin will be tossed to decide which team goes first. The winning coach of the toss decides which team performs as first. The judges will choose the better one to go forward to the next round.

## **T 29. PERFORMANCE AND DECISIONS – TEAM**

Each Team (five (5) competitors) must perform together one (1) optional Pattern. The optional Pattern being any from CHON-JI to GE-BAEK.

They may line up in any format they choose and team members may perform movements individually, or together, as they choose, but it must be seen to be teamwork. For example: one team member may not perform moves of the Pattern on his own without the other team members following in unison.

In team matches the following decisions will apply

- i. When three (3) or more judges give a decision in favour of one team then that team is the winner.
- ii. When three (3) judges give a draw and two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one team then that team is the winner.
- iii. When two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one team and one (1) judge gives for the other and two (2) judges give a draw, then the team with two (2) judges in favour is the winner.
- iv. When two (2) judges give a decision in favour of one (1) team and the other two (2) judges give a decision in favour for the other, and one (1) judge gives a draw, then another designated Pattern must be performed, until the winner is decided.
- v. When one (1) judge gives a decision in favour of one competitor and four (4) judges give a draw, then another designated Pattern must be performed, until the winner is decided.

## **T 30. OFFICIALS FOR PATTERN DIVISION**

One (1) Jury President, two (2) Jury Members and five (5) Referees.

## **SECTION III - SPARRING**

### **T 31. DIVISIONS**

#### INDIVIDUAL

- (A) Male and Female groups.
- (B) Weights

#### JUNIOR WEIGHT DIVISIONS (14-17 years old)

##### Male:

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| (a) MICRO       | Up to 50 kg      |
| (b) LIGHT       | Over 50 to 56 kg |
| (c) MIDDLE      | Over 56 to 62 kg |
| (d) LIGHT HEAVY | Over 62 to 68 kg |
| (e) HEAVY       | Over 68 to 75 kg |
| (f) HYPER       | Over 75 kg       |

##### Female:

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| (a) MICRO       | Up to 45 kg      |
| (b) LIGHT       | Over 45 to 50 kg |
| (c) MIDDLE      | Over 50 to 55 kg |
| (d) LIGHT HEAVY | Over 55 to 60 kg |
| (e) HEAVY       | Over 60 to 65 kg |
| (f) HYPER       | Over 65 kg       |



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## SENIOR WEIGHT DIVISIONS (18 years and older)

Male:

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| (a) MICRO       | Up to 57 kg      |
| (b) LIGHT       | Over 57 to 63 kg |
| (c) MIDDLE      | Over 63 to 70 kg |
| (d) LIGHT HEAVY | Over 70 to 78 kg |
| (e) HEAVY       | Over 78 to 85 kg |
| (f) HYPER       | Over 85 kg       |

Female:

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| (a) MICRO       | Up to 50 kg      |
| (b) LIGHT       | Over 50 to 56 kg |
| (c) MIDDLE      | Over 56 to 62 kg |
| (d) LIGHT HEAVY | Over 62 to 68 kg |
| (e) HEAVY       | Over 68 to 75 kg |
| (f) HYPER       | Over 75 kg       |

N.B.: In individual sparring matches competitors shall participate in the category according to their weight. It is not allowed to participate in any other weight class

Individual Sparring categories must consist of at least two (2) competitors. In case of only one (1) competitor he/she shall be moved to another weight category.

The pyramid system of elimination will be used. Repasage system or League system may be used depending on the number of participants. Decision will be taken by the A.E.T.F. Tournament and Umpire Committee on the motion of the organisers.

## **TEAM**

### **JUNIOR AND OR SENIOR – TEAM**

Each Sparring Team (Male and/or Female of any degree and weight) must consist of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5) competitors and one (1) reserve (optional).

## **T 32. DURATION OF BOUTS & DECISIONS**

Individual elimination and final bouts will be for:

- a. Black Belts seniors – two (2) rounds of two (2) minutes with a one-minute break between rounds.
- b. Black Belts juniors and Blue/Red Belts juniors and seniors - (2) rounds of one and half (1,5) minutes with a one-minute break between rounds.

Team

Each team bout will be one (1) round of two (2) minutes.

In individual matches the following decisions will apply:

- i. When three (3) or four (4) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor then that competitor is the winner.
- ii. When three (3) or four (4) corner referees say that it is a draw then a further one (1) minute round will take place. If this results in a further draw then the first scored point will decide who the winner is.
- iii. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor (two (2) for one competitor + one (1) for the other + one (1) given it as a draw or two (2) for one competitor + two (2) giving it as a draw) then that competitor is the winner.
- iv. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor and the other two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of the other competitor then a one (1) minute extension will follow.





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If at this time it results in a further draw then the first scored point will decide who the winner is.

- v. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor in case of the first scored point bout then that competitor is the winner.

## In team matches the following decisions will apply

- i. When three (3) or four (4) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor then that competitor is the winner and two (2) points will be added to the team score.
- ii. When three (3) or four (4) corner referees decide that it is a draw then one (1) point will be added to each team score.
- iii. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor (two (2) for one competitor + one (1) for the other + one (1) given it as a draw or two (2) giving it as a draw) then that competitor who got the decision of the two (2) corner referees is the winner and two (2) points will be added to the team score.
- iv. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor and the other two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of the other competitor then the result will be a draw and one (1) point will be added to each team score.
- v. When all five (5) bouts are finished and the result is a draw then each coach will select one (1) competitor to spar an extra bout of two (2) minutes. The team whose competitor wins this bout will be the winner.  
If at this time it results in a further draw then the first scored point will decide who the winner is.
- vi. When two (2) corner referees give a decision in favour of one competitor in case of the first scored point bout then that competitor is the winner.

## T 33. TARGET AREA

- a.- Head at the front and sides but not at the back.
- b.- Trunk of the body from shoulder to navel vertically and from a line drawn from the armpit vertically down to the waist on each side (that is frontal area only, excluding the back).

## T 34. POINT AWARDS

- a.- One (1) point will be awarded for:  
Hand attack directed to mid or high section.  
Hand attack while in air (both feet must be off the ground) directed to mid or high section.
- b.- Two (2) points will be awarded for:  
Foot attack directed to mid section.  
Jumping or flying kick directed to mid section.
- c.- Three (3) points will be awarded for:  
Foot attack directed to high section.  
Jumping or flying kick directed to high section.

## T 35. SCORING PROCEDURE

In competition a technique is valid when:

- a. - it is executed correctly.
- b.- it is dynamic, that is to say it is delivered with strength, purpose, rapidity and precision.
- c.- it is controlled on the target.



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## **T 36. DISQUALIFICATION**

- a.- Misconduct against officials or ignoring instructions.
- b.- Heavy contact.
- c.- Committing three (3) fouls.
- d.- Any competitor being under influence of alcoholic beverages or drugs.

## **T 37. FOULS**

One point will be deducted for the following offences:

- a.- Loss of temper.
- b.- Insulting an opponent in any way.
- c.- Biting, scratching.
- d.- Attacking with the knee, elbow or forehead.
- e.- Attacking a fallen opponent.
- f.- Attack to an illegal target with contact.
- g.- Contact.

## **T 38. WARNINGS**

Warnings will be assigned for the following offences:

- a.- Attack to an illegal target.
- b.- Stepping completely out of the ring (both feet).
- c.- Falling down, whether intentional or not (this means any part of the body, other than the feet, touching the ground).
- d.- Holding/grabbing/pushing.
- e.- Leg sweeping.
- f.- Faking a blow, pretending to be injured to gain an advantage.
- g.- Intentionally avoiding sparring.
- h.- Pretending to have scored a point by raising the arm.

N.B.: The sum of three (3) warnings automatically means deducting one (1) point.  
If an athlete is pushed out of the ring with intent (without undergoing a technique) then he will not receive a warning.

## **T 39. INJURY**

- a.- When a competitor is injured, the Centre Referee must stop the match and call the Doctor. At the moment the doctor is in front of the injured competitor, he has a maximum of two (2) minutes to diagnose, treat the wounds and decide about the match and competition continuation.
- b.- When a competitor cannot fight on because of Doctor's decision:
  - i.) he/she is the winner if his opponent is responsible;
  - ii.) he/she is the loser if his opponent is not responsible.
- c.- An injured competitor that is unfit to fight, cannot continue for the time/day(s) set according to the Doctor's decision.
- d.- A competitor that refuses to accept the Doctor's decision will be disqualified and taken out of the competition.
- e.- If two competitors injure themselves at the same time and both are unfit to fight, according to the Doctor's decision, the winner is the contender that has more scored points at that moment. If the competitors are even, the Ring Council will decide about the bout.



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## **T 40. BOUT PROCEDURE – INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM**

### INDIVIDUAL

Competitors will commence the bout on the start positions each with a red or blue pair of hand and feet equipment to differentiate between them. At the command of the Centre Referee the competitors bow in turn to the Jury table and then to each other.

The Centre Referee will then start the Sparring with the command “SHI-JAK” and the competitors continue to spar until the Referee issues the command “HAECHYO”. At this point the competitors cease to spar and remain where they are until restarted. On completion of time an audible signal will warn the Centre Referee, but the bout only ends on the final comment “GOMAN” by the Centre Referee. The reverse for bowing will ensure and the result will be declared.

In a draw situation warnings and/or minus points are not carried forward. If a competitor leaves the square they must re-start one (1) metre inside the square.

### TEAM

Bout procedure will be as individual. A coin will be tossed between the two (2) coaches. The winning coach of the toss decides which team sends its first competitor into the ring. The teams must then alternate.

## **T 41. TIMING**

On the first “Shi-Jak” (Start) command from the Centre Referee the timekeeper starts the clock until full time, unless the Centre Referee calls for a “time out” by saying “Jung-Ji”. At this time the timekeeper stops the clock until the next “Gae-sok” (Continue) command is given.

## **T 42. OFFICIALS FOR SPARRING COMPETITION**

One (1) Jury President, two (2) Jury Members, one (1) Centre Referee and four (4) Corner Referees.

## **SECTION IV – PRE ARRANGED FREE SPARRING**

### **T 43.**

Male, Female and/or Mixed Couples (Black Belts ONLY)

### **JUNIOR AND SENIOR**

### **T 44. Procedure**

Two (2) participants follow a prepared scenario that enables them to skilfully exhibit a wide variety of techniques without fear of injury.

They shall participate according the following rules and regulations:

- a. Pre arranged free sparring shall consist of movements as shown in the ITF Encyclopedia, Manuals or CD Rom and as taught during the International Instructor Courses.
- b. Attacking techniques must be blocked or avoided and must be performed with realism.
- c. Competitors may be from 1st to 6th degree and may be Male, Female and/or Mixed Couples.
- d. Bout duration shall consist of one (1) round: minimum 60 seconds – maximum 75 seconds.



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- e. Teams that exceed the 75 seconds duration of bout shall receive 0 points.
- f. Teams that perform less than the required minimum of 60 seconds shall receive 0 points.
- g. Protection gear may be worn as written in art.T.7.a. point ii and T.7. b.
- h. Only one (1) acrobatic sequence of technique, that is not part of the Taekwon-Do syllabus, may be performed during the bout for each of the team competitors.
- i. Teams performing more than one acrobatic sequence of technique during the bout shall receive 0 points.
- j. In the case of a draw an extra bout must be performed until the places are decided

## **T 45. OFFICIALS FOR PRE ARRANGED FREE SPARRING**

One (1) Jury President, two (2) Jury Members and five (5) Referees.

## **SECTION V – DISPUTE PROCEDURE**

### **T 46. PROTEST**

- a.- Only the Coach can present a protest when a decision seems to violate the rules.
- b.- Each protest must be written in the English language on the official protest form and presented to the Chairman of the Umpire Committee within five (5) minutes from the end of the match.  
The protest must be precise and circumstantial and must be accompanied by a tax that will be fixed by the Tournament Committee at the beginning of each tournament, in order to limit such protests to cases where decisions are really questionable.  
Only in cases where the Umpire Committee positively accepts the protest the tax will be returned to the coach.
- c.- The Umpire Committee will then examine the circumstances of the protest and will decide:
  - i.) to validate the match;
  - ii.) to repeat the match;
  - iii.) to assign the victory of the match to the loser;
  - iv.) to disqualify both competitors.
- d.- In case of a protest the winner cannot compete again before the decision of the Umpire Committee has been made.

### **T 47. DECISIONS**

- a.- In order to give a decision the Umpire Committee may call on anyone else they desire to give evidence concerning the protest.
- b.- On reaching a decision the Umpire Committee will notify all parties concerned of this decision.
- c.- The Umpire Committee will at all times base their decision on the rules laid down in this document and their decision cannot conflict with the rules of this document.

### **T 48. DISQUALIFICATION**

Team Managers/Representatives or Individuals who persist in arguing against decisions made by the Tournament Committee may, at their discretion, have the whole team, school or club or the individual, disqualified from all further events at the championship.

The Tournament Committee will consider the matter at a later date with a view to further action being taken.



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## **T 49. TEAM/COMPETITOR WITHDRAWAL**

In case of teams or individuals withdrawing from the championship as a protest then the following will result:

- a.- automatic disqualification from that event which means no placing for that event, and therefore no medals.
- b.- automatic disqualification from all further events at the championship.
- c.- further disqualification from further events as decided by the A.E.T.F. Disciplinary Committee and the A.E.T.F. Board of Directors.

## **T 50. A.E.T.F. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**

There will be one (1) to two (2) members of the A.E.T.F. Tournament and Umpire Committee present at the European Cup.

## **T 51. COPIES OF RULES**

A copy of the A.E.T.F. European Cup Tournament Rules must be present and be accessible to all competitors and officials.

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