

Viking Cup 2007

It is with great pleasure I welcome everybody to the 8th edition of Viking Cup International, which will be held in Skövde, Sweden between the 31st of March and 1st of April 2007.

The first Viking Cup took place in the year 2000 and since then the competition has grown into being one of the most important ITF TKD activities in the calendar. Of great considerable value is that Viking Cup has become a meeting place for TKD-practitioners from all over the world and from all different advancement levels.

As usual the competition in sparring will be performed in the very popular pool and requalification system which means that everybody, independent of their result, is guaranteed always more than only one fight. I hope that Viking Cup International 2007 will be even more successful than the previous editions.

Welcome to take part in this great Taekwon-Do festivity!

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Organizing Committee of
Viking Cup International 2007**

We kindly ask all clubs and countries which intend to take part in Viking Cup International 2007 to pre-announce their participation to the organizing committee by e-mail as soon as possible.



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Place and time of event

Viking Cup International 2007 will take place on the 31st of March and the 1st of April 2007 in Skövde, Sweden.

The sports hall of the competition will be ARENA SKÖVDE located on Egnellsvägen 1, Skövde.

The competition will start: Saturday the 31st of March at 08.30

The end of the competition is planned to: Sunday the 1st of April at 19.00

Divisions and classes

The competitors will be divided into the following divisions:

Name of division	Grades	Age of the competitors
Advanced	2 Kup – 6 Dan	18 years old and above
Advanced juniors	2 Kup – 3 Dan	15-17 years old
Medium advanced	5 Kup – 3 Kup	16 years old and above
Beginners	8 Kup – 6 Kup	15 years old and above

N.B. There will be **no age restriction** for participating in the pattern event.

The age restrictions is only in force for the sparring event.

Matsogi - sparring

Weight classes for the sparring competition in the divisions advanced, medium advanced and beginners will be:

Female:	-52 kg, -58 kg, -63 kg, -70 kg, +70 kg
Male:	-54 kg, -63 kg, -71 kg, -80 kg, +80 kg

For **advanced juniors** the weight classes for sparring will be:

Female:	-45 kg, -50 kg, -55 kg, -60kg, +60 kg
Male:	-52 kg, -58 kg, -63kg, -70 kg, +70 kg

We reserve the right to mix classes if the number of competitors in a weight class is less than three persons.

Each competitor will be competing for his/her Taekwon-Do school and country.

Tul – Pattern

In each division the competitors will perform one designated pattern chosen by the judges according to the participant with the lowest grade. In the finals the competitors will perform two patterns, optional and designated. The pattern range in each division will be as follows:

Advanced group A (3 Dan - 6 Dan)	from Chon Ji to Moon Moo
Advanced group B (1 Dan - 2 Dan)	from Chon Ji to Juche
Advanced group C (2 Kup - 1 Kup)	from Chon Ji to Choong Moo
Medium advanced (5 Kup - 3 Kup)	from Chon Ji to Toi Gye
Beginners (8 Kup - 6 Kup)	from Chon Ji to Won Hyo

In pattern there will be no special division for advanced juniors. Juniors and seniors will compete together.

Entry fees

The entry fee is 45 EUR/person for all those competitors which will during the competition use the official Viking Cup accommodation.

Note!

The entry fee for competitors which will NOT use the official accommodation is 55 EUR/person.

The entry fees should be paid ONLY IN EURO and CASH at registration which take place in hotel PRISMA on Friday the 30th of March between 12.00 - 22.00.

Attention! Credit cards or other payments than cash will not be accepted.

Swedish currency

N.B. The currency used in Sweden is Swedish Crowns SEK. EUROS are not accepted in stores or restaurants. Make sure that you have exchanged your currency before arriving to Skövde as there is limited possibilities to exchange money during the week-end.

Participation conditions

To be able to take part in Viking Cup International 2007 the following documents stated below must have reached the organizing committee at the latest the 10th of March 2007.

- 1) Main entry form
- 2) Accommodation
- 3) Competitors entry forms
- 4) Umpires and coaches entry form

The documents should be sent to:

By e-mail: tkd@bredband.net

By post: Skövde Taekwon-Do Club
Box 92026
541 02 Skövde
SWEDEN

The next condition for participating in Viking Cup International 2007 is that all fees, entry fee and accommodation fee, are paid at arrival on Friday the 30th of March 2007.

Additional fee for changes

As there has been too many last minute changes in the entries the last years, which has caused problems for the organizing committee, the decision to introduce an additional fee for changes has been made.

Every change from one competition group to another (weight category or division) made on the arrival day, the 30th of March, will result in an additional fee of 10 EURO/change.

This additional fee should be paid during registration.

Accommodation

Hotel

The hotel is of high quality with a toilet, a shower and a TV in every room. The price includes accommodation and breakfast. The hotel is situated near the centre of the town.

The price for accommodation is 45 EUR/person/night.

The supporters who stay in the hotel will have free entrance to the competition both Saturday and Sunday.

Booking

All bookings of accommodation, and possible changes in the reservations, are made ONLY by the organizing committee. The form marked "ACCOMMODATION", together with the entry forms, should have reached the organizing committee at the latest the 10th of March 2007.

Changing in the accommodation reservations

It is possible to make changes in the reservations until the 23rd of March 2007. After that date there will not be possible to change the reservations and the accommodation form will be used as the base of calculating the cost of accommodation that the club/organization should pay at arrival.

Insurance

All competitors must have full insurance coverage for eventualities by their own club. The Organizer will not be financial responsible for possible injuries caused during the competition.

Registration and Weight-In

The registration and weight-in will take place on Friday the 30th of March between 12.00-22.00 in Hotel PRISMA, Ekedalsgatan 2, Skövde.

Rules

The rules for the competition will be the official rules of the International Taekwon-Do Federation.

Attention, new regulations!

According to Swedish regulations all colour belts and all juniors must wear head protection during the sparring event.

System of competition

The competition (in sparring) will be performed according to pool and requalification system. Which means that if there are few competitors in a class (10 competitors or less) they will fight against each other in a pool everybody against everybody, whereas classes with over 10 competitors will have a traditional pyramid with requalification for the bronze medals.

In pattern the competition will be according to a traditional pyramid system.

Coaches

All coaches should wear training suite and indoor shoes during the competition.

The official coach meeting will take place in the competition hall ARENA SKÖVDE, on Saturday the 31st of March at 8.00.

Umpires

The organizer will pay accommodation for ONE umpire with "A" or "B" class from each club/organization who will be present and take part in the whole competition. However, to make this competition fair and efficient, we welcome umpires from as many schools as possible.

Lunch will be served to the umpires during the competition.

The umpire meeting will take place on Saturday the 31st of March at 8.30. All umpires must take part in the official umpire meeting.

Prizes

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category and division will receive the official Viking Cup International medal.
- The best male and female competitor in the advanced division will receive a special prize.
- The top 3 countries of the competition according to total medal statistic in all divisions together will receive a special prize.
- The best club of the competition according to total medal statistic in all divisions together will receive the main prize: the Viking Cup. A 2nd and 3rd prize will also be awarded.
- All competitors, coaches and umpires will receive a Participation Certificate.

How to get to Skövde

You can get to Skövde in many different ways:

By airplane

Skövde has an own airport with direct connection to Copenhagen and Stockholm. On the other hand it is very easy, and cheaper, to first fly to Gothenburg and from there take the bus or train which travels directly to Skövde. The train ride takes approximately 1 hour.

Transfer

We are also able to arrange transportation from the airport in Gothenburg to the hotel in Skövde. Please contact the organizing committee for details concerning this.

By train

Skövde has good connections by railway with most Swedish cities. However, the fastest connections are with Stockholm and Gothenburg where you can choose between X2000 train (express) or ordinary train.

By car

There are no problems to travel comfortable by car in Sweden. Most of the roads are of very good standard, no matter how the weather conditions are.