



PAN AMERICAN TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

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PAN AMERICAN TAEKWONDO POOMSAE CHAMPIONSHIPS**Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, May 07, 2026****1. SANCTIONED BY:** World Taekwondo (WT)

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5. DATE: May 07, 2026

6. Global Ranking: G4

7. Team Eligibility Requirements:

Each National Team may enter one (1) male athlete and one (1) female athlete per weight category to compete in the 2026 Pan American Senior Championships, in addition to athletes qualified through Wild Card (up to a maximum of four).

8. Wild Card:

Athletes who won the qualifying events for the Pan American Senior Championships through the Wild Card system shall automatically qualify. The qualifying events for the Wild Card are:

PAN AM SERIES II U-22, 1st and 2nd place (PERU, SEPTEMBER 2024)

PAN AM SERIES III U-22, 1st and 2nd place (CUBA, OCTOBER 2024)

PAN AM SERIES IV U-22, Top 8 athletes in each category and weight division (MEXICO, APRIL 2025)

OLYMPIC DREAMS CHAMPIONSHIP 2025, 1st place (CHILE, JULY 2025)

RIO OPEN 2025, 1st place (BRAZIL, MAY 2025)

ASUNCIÓN 2025 PAN AMERICAN JUNIOR GAMES, All athletes qualified for this event (PARAGUAY, AUGUST 2025)

PRESIDENT'S CUP, 1st and 2nd place (PERU, SEPTEMBER 2025)

Wild Cards are personal to the athlete who earned them and are non-transferable.

Note: Wild Card athletes who, for any reason, are unable to complete registration through the website <https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com/> must contact events@panamericantaekwoundunion.org by e-mail to report the issue and request further instructions.

9. Athlete Participation Requirements:

In accordance with Article 4: Qualification of Competitor of the WT Competition Rules, the competitor must:

Criterion 1: Hold the nationality of the participating team.

Criterion 2: Be a holder of a Taekwondo Black Belt.

Criterion 3: Hold a valid WT Global Athlete License (GAL) for 2026.

Criterion 4: All coaches must hold WT Level 2 Certification.

10. Categories and Age:

Adult: 17 years or older (born in 2009 or earlier)

11. Ranking:

World Ranking G4 (Senior)

12. Competition Rules:

The latest updated WT Poomsae competition rules must be used.

13. Competition Method:**Poomsae**

Single Elimination System: Recognized Individual U30/U40

Cut-off system: All other categories.

14. Seeding:

All athletes shall be seeded in accordance with the latest WT World Ranking.

15. Team Registration:

Team entries shall only be accepted through the WT GMS online registration system (SimplyCompete). Only MNA administrators are authorized to register athletes for this event. Athlete registration is only possible with a valid WT 2026 Global Athlete License (GAL), issued exclusively by assigned GMS club, regional, and MNA administrators.

Below is the direct link to the WT GMS platform:

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

Number of Entries per Team:

HEAD OF TEAM: 1

MANAGER: 2

COACH: 4 (2 MALE + 2 FEMALE)

TRAINER: 2 (1 MALE + 1 FEMALE)

MEDICAL: 1

PHYSIOTHERAPIST: 2

16. Entry Fee:

The Organizing Committee shall collect entry fees in US Dollars (USD) upon on-site registration at the competition venue. No other form of payment shall be accepted. Registered athletes and coaches will not be allowed to participate in the competition without payment. The Organizing Committee maintains a NO REFUND policy under any circumstances.

POOMSAE	Regular Registration	Late Registration
	Start: 12/03/2026	Start: 10/04/2026
	Deadline: 09/04/2026	Deadline: 27/04/2026
1st Category	USD 170	USD 200
2nd Category	USD 85	USD 100
Pair	USD 250	USD 300
Team (3)	USD 275	USD 325
Team (5)	USD 300	USD 350

COACH AND TRAINER	Regular Registration	Late Registration
	Start: 12/03/2026	Start: 10/04/2026
	Deadline: 09/04/2026	Deadline: 27/04/2026
	USD 100	USD 100

17. International Referees:

PATU shall appoint a total of thirty (30) International Referees and five (5) national Referees, in addition to the PATU Referee Chairman. The designated International Referees shall officiate at the 2026 Pan American Senior Championships under the following conditions:

- a. International Referees shall be responsible for their own round-trip airfare.
- b. The Organizing Committee shall cover three (3) nights of accommodation and meals for the Kyorugi and Poomsae competitions. Arrival: May 06, 2026. Departure: May 09, 2026.
- c. The Organizing Committee shall pay a daily fee of USD \$150 to the selected International Referees for the competition and training period (total of 3 days; USD \$450 per referee, including training and competition days).

18. Head of Team Meeting (Technical Meeting):

The Team Leaders' Meeting must be held 1 (one) day before the start of the activities for each competition category. Please refer to the general schedule for more details.

19. Results Classification

Medals shall be awarded to the top four (4) athletes in each respective weight category of the championships:

1st PLACE:	GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
2nd PLACE:	SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
3rd PLACE:	BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE
3rd PLACE:	BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

Special Awards:

- I. Best Athlete (Male and Female)
- II. Best Coach (Male and Female – Kyorugi)
- III. Best Referee (Male and Female)
- IV. Best Team:
 - Male Team: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
 - Female Team: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
 - Overall: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th

20. Poomsae Competition

Each PATU Member National Association (MNA) may enter no more than ONE (1) competitor in the Individual Poomsae competitions, and only ONE (1) team in Pair Poomsae, Male Team, Female Team, and Freestyle Team competitions.

• Wild Card holders may compete, without exceeding two representatives per country in individual events.

POOMSAE CATEGORIES

- Individual Poomsae (male and female)
- Individual Freestyle Poomsae (male and female)
- Pair Poomsae Team / Freestyle Pair Team
- Male Poomsae Team (3 athletes)
- Female Poomsae Team (3 athletes)
- Freestyle Poomsae Team (5 athletes)

POOMSAE DIVISIONS

- Under 30 years
- Under 40 years
- Under 50 years
- Under 60 years
- 61–65 years
- 65+
- (Freestyle) 18+
- (Pair Poomsae) Under 30 years, Under 50 years, Over 60 years
- (Team Poomsae) Under 30 years, Under 50 years, Over 60 years

- (Freestyle Pairs) 18+
- (Freestyle Teams) 18+

21. Insurance

a. The respective Taekwondo associations and/or national teams must ensure that all officials and participants have effective medical and travel insurance coverage.

22. Accommodation

Please refer to the Accommodation Guide available on WT Simply Compete.

23. Visa Information

Visa recommendation letters will be issued by the Organizing Committee. The deadline to apply for a visa is April 20, 2024. Please send an email to suporte.internacional@cbtkd.org.br with a copy of your valid passport and proof of registration in order to receive a visa invitation letter.

EVENT SCHEDULE (subject to change)

FECHA	HORA	ACTIVIDAD	LOCAL
May 06 – Wednesday	9:00 as 18:00	Accreditation	Venit Mio Hotel
	15:00 as 18:00	Referee Training Seminar	Arena Carioca 1
	18:00	Technical Meeting – Pan American Senior Championships (Kyorugi, Poomsae & Para Taekwondo)	Venit Mio Hotel
May 07 – Thursday	9:00 as 18:00	Pan American Senior Poomsae Championships Competition	Arena Carioca 1
	19:00	Award Ceremony	



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