

POOMSAE COMPETITION RULES & INTERPRETATION



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Article 1. Purpose

The purpose of the Poomsae Competition Rules is to fairly and smoothly manage all matters pertaining to Poomsae competitions at all levels promoted and/or organized by the World Taekwondo Federation, and its Continental Unions and member National Associations, ensuring the application of standardized rules.

(Interpretation)

The objective of Article 1 is to ensure the standardization of all Taekwondo Poomsae competitions worldwide. Any competition not following the fundamental principles of these rules cannot be recognized as a Taekwondo Poomsae competition.

Article 2. Application

The Competition Rules shall apply to all Poomsae competitions promoted and/or organized by the WTF, each Continental Union and each member National Association. However, any member National Association wishing to modify some part of the Competition Rules must first gain the approval of the WTF.

(Explanation #1)

Amendment approval:

Any organization desiring to make a change in some portion of the existing rules must submit to the WTF the contents of the desired amendment along with the reasons for the desired change. Approval for any change in these rules must be received from WTF one month prior to the scheduled competition.

(Explanation #2)

Change in category, increase or decrease in the number of International Poomsae Referees, change of the courtside position of the inspector, recorder and/or commission doctor, etc., are subjects which may be included in the category of Poomsae competition aspects which may be modified after first gaining the approval of the WTF. However, such germane matters as scoring are not to be changed under any circumstances whatsoever.

Article 3. Competition Area

The Competition Area shall comprise of the Contest Area measuring 12m x 12m in metric system and have a flat surface without any obstructing projections. The Contest Area shall be covered with an elastic mat or wooden floor, and may be installed on a platform 0.5m-0.6m high from the base, if necessary. The outer part of the Boundary Line shall be inclined at a gradient of less than 30 degrees for the safety of the contestants.

(Interpretation)

In the case of using a platform, the platform must be wider than the competition area, in consideration of the positions of the judges.

1. Demarcation of the Contest Area

- 1) The 12m x 12m area shall be called the Contest Area.
- 2) The demarcation of the Contest Area shall be distinguished by a white line with 5cm wide in case of wooden competition area.

2. Indication of Positions (Please refer to Fig.1)

- 1) Position of the Judges: Seven judges shall sit 1m away from the Contest Area and 2m in between each other, with four judges facing the contestants and three facing the back of the contestants. The boundary line adjacent to the four judges shall be deemed boundary line #1, followed by, clockwise, boundary lines #2, #3, and #4. Judges are positioned clockwise from the left of the boundary line #1. In the case of a five-judge system, three judges shall be positioned facing the contestants and the other two facing the back of the contestants; in the same order of the seven-judge system.
- 2) The position of the Referee: The Referee shall be positioned beside Judge No. 1.
- 3) The positions of the contestants: Contestants shall be positioned at 2m back from the centre of the Contest Area, toward boundary line #3.
- 4) The Position of the recorder's desk: It shall be positioned at 3m from the Referee on the right side.
- 5) The Position of the competition coordinators: Competition coordinators shall be positioned outside the Contest Area, 1m away from the corner between boundary lines #1 and #4.
- 6) The Position of standby contestants and coaches: Standby contestants and coaches shall be positioned outside the Contest Area, 3m away from the corner between boundary lines #3 and #4.
- 7) The Position of inspection desk: Inspection desk shall be positioned at the entrance of Contest Area outside the corner of boundary lines #3 and #4, in consideration of the facilities of the field of play.

(Explanation #1)

Elastic mat: Only WTF-approved mats shall be used at WTF-sanctioned Poomsae Championships.

(Explanation #2)

Colour: The colour scheme of the mat's surface must not give off a harsh reflection, or be tiring to the contestants' or spectators' eyesight. The colour scheme must also be appropriately matched to the overall look of the venue.

(Explanation #3)

Inspection Desk: At the inspection desk, the inspector checks whether uniforms worn by the contestants are approved by the WTF, and whether they fit the contestant properly. A contestant will be required to change the uniform if it is found to be inappropriate.

(Explanation #4)

Competition platform: The platform shall be built according to the following diagram.

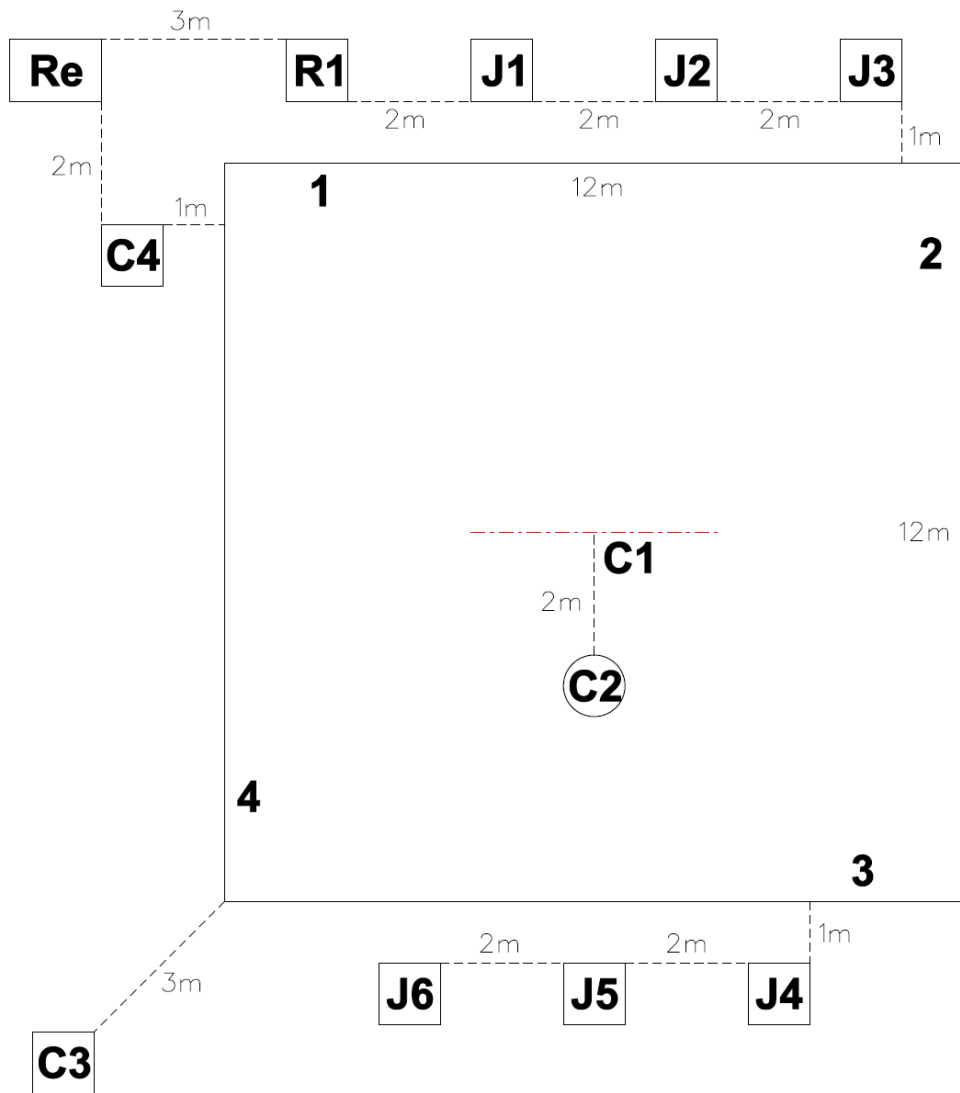


Fig.1 Field of Play

- Re:** Recorder
- R1:** Referee
- J1, J2, J3, J4, J5, J6:** Judge No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- C1:** Competition area centre line
- C2:** Contestant
- C3:** Standby contestants and coach
- C4:** Competition coordinator
- 1, 2, 3, 4:** Boundary Line No. 1, 2, 3, 4

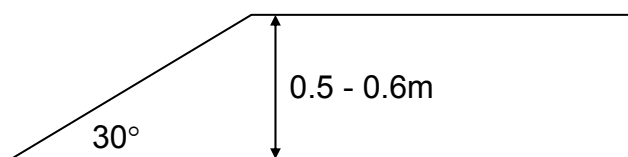


Fig.2 Competition Platform

Article 4. Contestants

1. Qualifications of contestants

- 1) Holder of the nationality of the participating team
- 2) One recommended by the National Taekwondo Association.
- 3) Holder of Taekwondo Poom, Dan certificate issued by WTF or Kukkiwon.
- 4) Junior Division (14-18 years old)
- 5) 1st Senior Division (19-30 years old)
- 6) 2nd Senior Division (31-40 years old)
- 7) 1st Masters Division (41-50 years old)
- 8) 2nd Masters Division (51 years old or higher)

(Interpretation)

The age limits for the Junior, Senior and Masters divisions are based on the year, not on the date, when the Championships are held. For example, in the junior division, contestants shall be between 14 and 17 year old. In this regard, if the Junior Poomsae Championships are held on 4 September 2006, contestants born between 1 January 1989 and 31 December 1992 are eligible to participate.

2. Contestants' Uniforms

- 1) Contestants shall wear only WTF approved uniforms at WTF sanctioned Poomsae Championships.

3. Medical control

- 1) At Taekwondo events promoted or sanctioned by the WTF, any use or administration of drugs or chemical substances described in the WTF anti-doping rules is prohibited.
- 2) The WTF may carry out all medical testing deemed necessary to ascertain if a contestant has committed a breach of the WTF anti-doping rules, and any winner who refuses to undergo this testing or who proves to have committed such a breach shall be removed from the final standings. In this regard, the contestant next in line in the competition standings shall be declared the new winner.
- 3) The Organizing Committee shall be liable for arrangements to carry out medical testing.
- 4) All details regarding doping matters shall be handled according to the WTF anti-doping rules.

Article 5. Classifications of Competition

Contestants may compete in more than one category of competition unless he or she is limited by gender or age.

1. Men's Individual
2. Women's Individual
3. Men's Team
4. Women's Team
5. Mixed Pairs

Article 6. Divisions by Gender and Age

1. Men, women and mixed divisions shall be divided according to age.
2. There is no specific limitation to Poom/Dan for team competition.
3. Male and female divisions shall be classified as follows:

| Division | | Junior | 1 st Senior | 2 nd Senior | 1 st Master | 2 nd Master |
|-------------|--------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Age (years) | | 14-18 | 19-30 | 31-40 | 41-50 | 51+ |
| Individual | Male | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | Female | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Division | | 1 st | | | 2 nd | |
| Age (years) | | 14-35 | | | 36+ | |
| Pair | | 2 | | | 2 | |
| Team | Male | 3 | | | 3 | |
| | Female | 3 | | | 3 | |

Total number of Divisions = 16, Minimum number competitors to fill all Divisions = 12,
Maximum number competitors to fill all divisions = 26

Article 7. Methods of Competition

1. All international-level competitions recognized by the WTF shall be formed with the participation of at least four (4) countries with no fewer than four (4) contestants in each division.
2. The systems of competition are divided as follows:
 - 1) Cut off system (World Championship format) 1 contestant at a time
 - 2) Single elimination tournament system
 - 3) Round robin system

3. Final round

Two Poomsae must be performed for all the final competitions.

(Explanation #1)

The cut-off system shall comprise the preliminary, semi-final and final rounds.

(Explanation #2)

Preliminary: Contestants shall perform the 1st compulsory Poomsae, and half of them shall be selected based on their points.

(Explanation #3)

Semi-final: One of the three 2nd compulsory Poomsae shall be performed, and eight contestants shall be selected based on their points.

(Explanation #4)

Final: Contestants are required to perform the remaining two 2nd compulsory Poomsae that were not performed in the previous round. The top three contestants shall be awarded prizes.

(Explanation #5)

In all the tournament processes, including the elimination rounds and the semi-final, one assigned compulsory Poomsae will be demonstrated except in the final round and the cut-off processes.

Article 8. Recognised Poomsae (1st and 2nd Compulsory Poomsae)

| Division | | 1 st Compulsory Poomsae | 2 nd Compulsory Poomsae |
|--|------------------------|--|--|
| Junior Division (14-18 years old) | | Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7 Jang | Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek |
| 1 st Senior Division (19-30 years old) | | Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang Koryo | Keumgang, Taebaek Pyongwon, Sipjin |
| 2 nd Senior Division (31-40 years old) | | | |
| 1 st Masters Division (41-50 years old) | | Taegeuk 8Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek | Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon |
| 2 nd Masters Division (51 years old or higher) | | Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek Pyongwon | Sipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu |
| Pair | 14-35 years old | Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo | Keumgang, Teabaek, Pyongwon, Sipjin |
| | 36 years old or higher | Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek | Pyongwon, Sipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon |
| Team | 14-35 years old | Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo | Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin |
| | 36 years old or higher | Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek | Pyougwon, Sipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon |

Article 9. Competition Poomsae

Competition Poomsae regulations are chosen separately.

Article 10. Duration of Contest

1. Duration of Contest by Division

- 1) Individual competition: From one minute to two minutes
- 2) Team competition: From one minute to two minutes
- 3) Pair competition: From one minute to two minutes
- 4) The break time during the finals is one minute.

(Interpretation)

There will be a minute of break time after the competition coordinator has declared a decision.

Article 11. Drawing of Lots

1. The drawing of lots shall be conducted one day prior to the first competition day in the presence of WTF officials including the WTF technical Delegate and representatives of the participating nations.
2. Officials for the drawing of lots shall be designated to draw lots on behalf of the officials of participating nations not present at the session.
3. The order of the draw may be changed according to the decision of the Head of Team meeting.

Article 12. Prohibited Acts/Penalties

1. Penalties for any prohibited act shall be declared by the Referee.
2. Penalties are defined as "Gam-jeom" (deduction of points by penalties).
3. "Gam-jeom" shall be declared on the following prohibited acts:
 - 1) Uttering undesirable remarks or any misconduct on the part of a contestant or a coach.
 - 2) According to judgment of the referee, a coach an amateur contestant or Taekwondo practitioners should have the manner and respect the code of conduct.
 - 3) Athletes or coaches should not interrupt or stand in the way of the competition coordinators in the midst of the coordination activity during the competitions.
4. Should a contestant be assessed two (2) deductions, the referee shall declare the contestant a loser on penalties.

(Interpretation)

Should a contestant accumulate two "Gam-jeom" (deductions of points by penalties), the Referee shall declare that the contestant lost on penalties. "Gam-jeom," as defined in this article, refers to deduction of points due to behaviors that disrespect the spirit of sport, rather than due to judges' scoring in terms of accuracy and presentation.

Article 13. Procedures of contest

1. Call for contestants

Three minutes prior to the scheduled start of the contest, the names of the contestants' shall be announced three times at one-minute intervals. Any contestant who fails to appear in the Contest Area within one minute after the scheduled start of the competition shall be regarded as having withdrawn from and forfeited the match.

2. Physical inspection and uniform inspection

After being called, the contestants shall undergo a physical inspection and a uniform inspection at the specified inspection desk by an inspector designated by the WTF. The contestant shall not show any signs of aversion, and shall not bear any object which may cause harm to the other contestant.

3. Entering the Contest Area

Following the inspection, the contestant shall enter the contestant waiting area with one coach.

4. Pre-contest and post-contest procedures

- 1) The contest shall begin with the declaration of "Joon-bi" (ready) and "Shi-jak" (start) by the competition coordinator.
- 2) After the end of the Poomsae, the contestants shall stand in their respective positions and make a standing bow at the coordinator's command of "Baro (stop), Charyeot (Attention), Kyeong-rye (Bow)." Contestants shall wait for the co-ordinator's declaration of the decision in a standing posture.
- 3) The referee shall declare the winner according to the results of the judges.
- 4) Contestant's exit

(Interpretation)

Method of competition procedure.

(Explanation #1)

Standby: Contestants are to wait at the contestants' waiting area for their physical and uniform inspections.

(Explanation #2)

Call: Contestants are to wait at the contestants' waiting area for the competition co-ordinator's call

(Explanation #3)

Enter: Contestants shall enter upon the competition coordinator's command of "Chool jeon"

(Explanation #4)

Cut-off system: Contestants shall face each other and make a standing bow at the competition coordinator's command of "Charyeot" and "Kyeong-rye."

Elimination Tournament: The blue team and the red team enter together. After they salute, the red team exits and the blue team performs first.

(Explanation #5)

Beginning of the Demonstration: The demonstration begins when the competition coordinator announces "ready (Joonbi)" and "go (Shi-jak)."

(Explanation #6)

Completion of demonstration:

Cut-off process: Contestants shall be in a stand-by position when the demonstration ends

with the competition coordinator commanding "Back to ready (Baro)."

Elimination tournament process: The blue team contestant demonstrates first. After the red team contestant completes his/her demonstration, both contestants be in a stand-by position together.

(Explanation #7)

When using the electronic scoring device: The judges enter the score into the electronic scoring device after confirming the total score.

When using the scoring ballot: The judges write the score after confirming the total score.

(Explanation #8)

-When using the electronic scoring device: The total score entered by the judges appear on the public display board.

-When using the ballot: After the judges' ballots are recorded, the score keeper announces the final result.

(Explanation #9)

Retirement of the contestants: After the standing salute following the competition coordinator's commands of "attention (Chareyot)" and "bow (Kyung-rye)," the contestant exits on the "exit (Tuae-jahng)" command.

Article 14. Competition Coordinator

1. Qualifications

- 1) The Organizing Committee shall nominate WTF-approved competition co-ordinators who are Kukkiwon Dan holders and experts in taekwondo.

2. Duties

- 1) Two co-ordinators shall be nominated.
- 2) Two competition coordinators shall verify the contestants' identities and allow contestants in and out of the venue, and shall assist the refereeing officials to ensure the unimpeded progress of the competition.

(Interpretation)

The competition coordinator has to receive intensive preliminary training in relation to the tournament.

Article 15. Scoring Criteria

Scoring shall be made in accordance with the rules of the WTF.

1. Accuracy of Poomsae Technique

- 1) Accuracy of basic movements
- 2) Details of each Poomsae

2. Presentation

- 1) Skill
 - a. Accuracy of range of movements
 - b. Balance
 - c. Speed and power
- 2) Expression
 - a. Strength/speed/rhythm
 - b. Expression of energy

Article 16. Methods of scoring

1. Total score is 10.0
2. Accuracy
 - 1) Basic score 5.0
 - 2) 0.1 point shall be deducted each time a contestant does not perform the basic movements or the pertinent Poomsae accurately.
 - 3) 0.5 point will be deducted each time a contestant makes mistakes that are considered as more serious than in the previous case on basic movements or the pertinent Poomsae.
3. Presentation
 - 1) Basic score 5.0
 - 2) Skill
 - a. In the skill test, 0.1 point will be deducted each time a contestant does not fulfill the criteria of balance, speed and power use accurately.
 - b. In the skill test, 0.5 point will be deducted each time a contestant makes mistakes that are considered as more serious than in the previous case on balance, speed and power use.
 - 3) Expression
 - a. In the expression part, 0.1 point will be deducted each time a contestant does not express the power, speed, rhythm and energy force accurately.
 - b. In the expression part, 0.5 point will be deducted each time a contestant makes mistakes that are considered as more serious than in the previous case on the power, speed, rhythm and energy force.
4. Deduction of points
 - 1) Should a contestant exceed the time limit, 0.5 points shall be deducted from the final score.
 - 2) Should a contestant cross the boundary line, 0.5 points shall be deducted from the final score.
5. Score calculation
 - 1) Both accuracy and presentation will be evaluated.
 - 1) When scores are calculated to get the average of the total scores by different judges, the highest and lowest scores in each of the accuracy and presentation demonstrations shall not be considered.
 - 3) All penalties accumulated during the competition shall be taken into account and deducted from the final score.

Article 17. Publication of scoring

1. The final score shall be announced immediately after collating the judges' total scores.
2. In case of using electronic scoring instruments
 - 1) Judges shall input points in the electronic scoring instruments after the performance of Poomsae, and total points shall be automatically displayed on the monitors.
 - 2) The final score (average point) and the individual scores shall be displayed on the monitor following the automatic deletion of the highest and lowest scores among the judges.
3. In case of manual scoring
 - 1) The coordinator shall collect each scoring sheet and convey the results to the

recorder immediately after completion of the Poomsae.

- 2) The recorder shall report the final score to the Referee, following the deletion of the highest and lowest scores, and announce the final score or have the final score displayed.

Article 18. Decision and Declaration of Winner

1. The winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in total.
2. In case of a tied score, the winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in presentation. In case the score are still tied, a rematch shall be conducted to determine the winner. The referee will decide on the Poomsae to be assessed.
3. The rematch will feature one compulsory Poomsae. The previous score will not affect the score from the rematch.
4. In case of a tied score after the rematch, the winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in total, including the highest and lowest scores that were not included in collection of scores.
5. Decisions
 - 1) Win by score
 - 2) Win by Referee Stop the Contest (RSC)
 - 3) Win by withdrawal of opponent
 - 4) Win by disqualification of opponent
 - 5) Win by opponent's penalties

(Explanation #1)

Win by score:

The winner is determined by having the higher total points.

(Explanation #2)

Referee's stopping of the Contest:

In the event that the referee or commission doctor determines that a contestant is unable to continue, even after (1) a minute of recovery period, (2) or a contestant disregards the referee's command to continue, the referee shall declare the contest stopped and the opposing contestant shall be declared the winner.

(Explanation #3)

Win by withdrawal of opponent:

The winner is determined by the withdrawal of the opponent

- a. *When a contestant withdraws from the match due to injury or other reasons*
- b. *When a coach throws a towel into the court to signify forfeiture of the match*

(Explanation #4)

Win by disqualification of opponent:

Should a contestant lose his or her contestant status before the competition begins, the opposing contestant shall be declared the winner.

(Explanation #5)

Win by opponent's penalties:

In the event that a contestant accumulates two "Gam-jeom" (deduction of points by penalties), as prescribed in Article 12.3, the opponent shall be declared the winner.

Article 19. Procedures for Suspending Contest

When a contest is to be stopped during the competition, the referee shall take the measures prescribed in this Article.

1. At the time of suspending the match, the referee shall order the recorders to suspend timekeeping. At this time, the competition coordinator is to examine the reason(s) for the stoppage of the competition.
2. In the case whereby a contest is stopped due to problems related to a contestant, and should a contestant not demonstrate the will to continue the contest within two minutes, the referee shall declare the opposing contestant as the winner. In the case whereby the stoppage of a contest is not related to the contestants, the problem shall be resolved quickly and another chance of performance shall be given to pertinent contestants.
3. All the other problems that may arise shall be resolved through the meeting of the judges of the pertinent competition, Poomsae Committee chairperson, and the Competition Supervisory Board members.

Article 20. Refereeing Officials

1. Qualifications

- 1) Judges: Holder of an International Poomsae Referee Certificate registered by the WTF.
- 2) Referee: Holder of 1st class International Poomsae Referee Certificate registered by the WTF

2. Duties

- 1) Referee
 - a. The Referee shall document all valid points.
 - b. The referee shall declare the winner and issue "Gam-jeom" (deduction of points by penalties). The referee shall declare only after the judges' decision has been confirmed.
 - c. The referee is permitted to summon the judges during the competition, if the need arises.
- 2) Judges
 - a. The judges shall document all valid points.
 - b. The judges shall state their opinions forthrightly when requested to do so by the referee.

3. Classification of refereeing officials

- 1) Refereeing officials shall be classified into the following categories.
 - a. Category 1: Judges who hold at least a 3rd class International Poomsae Referee Certificate and a WTF or Kukkiwon 4th or 5th Dan shall be only eligible to officiate in all junior divisions.
 - b. Category 2: Judges who hold at least a 2nd class International Poomsae Referee Certificate and a WTF or Kukkiwon 6th or 7th Dan shall be eligible to officiate in the junior and senior divisions.
 - c. Category 3: Judges who hold at least a 1st class International Poomsae Referee Certificate and at least a WTF or Kukkiwon 8th Dan shall be eligible to officiate in the junior, senior, and masters divisions.

4. Uniform of the refereeing officials

- 1) Refereeing officials shall wear uniforms designated by the WTF.

- 2) Refereeing officials shall not carry or take any materials to the arena that might interfere with the contest.

(Interpretation)

The Chairman of the Competition Supervisory Board may request that the Technical Delegate replace refereeing officials in the event that refereeing officials have been improperly assigned, or when it is judged by the Competition Supervisory Board that any of the assigned refereeing officials have unfairly conducted the contest or made unreasonable mistakes.

Article 21. Recorder

1. The recorder shall time the contest, including suspended time during the contest. The recorder shall also calculate, record and announce or display the total score.

Article 22. Formation and assignment of refereeing officials

1. Composition of refereeing officials
 - 1) Seven-judge system: 1 Referee, 6 Judges
 - 2) Five-judge system: 1 Referee, 4 Judges
2. Assignment of Refereeing officials
 - 1) The assignment of the referees and judges shall be made after the contest schedule is fixed.
 - 2) Referees and judges with the same nationality as that of either contestant shall not be assigned to such a contest. However, an exception shall be made for the judges when the number of refereeing officials is insufficient, as the case may be.

Article 23. Other matters not specified in the Rules

Matters not specified in the Rules shall be dealt with as follows:

1. Matters related to the competition shall be decided through a consensus of the refereeing officials of the pertinent contest.
2. Matters not related to the competition shall be decided by the Poomsae committee or its proxy.
3. The Organizing Committee shall prepare a video recorder at each court for recording and preservation of the competition.

Article 24. Arbitration and Sanction

1. Composition of the Competition Supervisory Board
 - 1) Member qualifications: Competition supervisors of the WTF or persons with sufficient taekwondo experience holding at least a 6th Kukkiwon Dan recommended by the WTF President, Secretary General. One Technical Delegate shall be the ex-officio member.
 - 2) Composition: One Chairman and no more than Seven members plus the Technical Delegate.
 - 3) Procedure of Appointment: The Chairman and members of the Competition Supervisory Board shall be appointed by the WTF President on the recommendation of the WTF Secretary General.

2. Responsibility: The Competition Supervisory Board shall make corrections of misjudgments according to their decision regarding protests and take disciplinary action against the officials who committed the misjudgment or other illegal behavior, the results of which shall be notified to the WTF Secretary General. The Competition Supervisory Board shall also be entitled the On-site Sanction Committee concurrently at the competition for the matters in relation to competition management.

3. Procedure of Protest

- 1) In case there is an objection to a referee judgment, an official delegate of the team shall submit a WTF-developed protest sheet, along with the protest fee of US\$200, to the Competition Supervisory Board within 10 minutes after the end of pertinent contest, so as to ensure that a decision on the result may be announced after 30 minutes.
- 2) Deliberation of a protest by the Competition Supervisory Board shall be carried out, excluding those members with the same nationalities as the contestants concerned. A majority is required for resolution of the deliberation.
- 3) In order to ascertain the facts, the members of the Competition Supervisory Board may summon the refereeing officials of the contest concerned and question them.
- 4) The resolution made by the Competition Supervisory Board shall be final and no further means of appeal is possible.

4. Procedure of Sanction

- 1) The WTF President or Secretary General or, in case of their absence, the Technical Delegate may request the On-site Sanction Committee for deliberation when any of the following behaviors are committed by a coach or a contestant:
 1. Interfering with the management of contest
 2. Stirring up the spectators or spreading false rumor
- 2) If there is justifiable reason to review a case, the On-site Sanction Committee shall deliberate over the matter and take disciplinary action immediately. The result of deliberation shall be announced to the public in the arena and reported to the WTF Secretary General afterwards.
- 3) In order to ascertain the facts, the On-site Sanction Committee may summon the persons concerned and question them.

(Interpretation)

The Competition Supervisory Board shall be composed of at least five eligible members and the number of members must be an odd number if it exceeds five.

(Explanation #1)

Members with the same nationalities: Any member of the On-site Sanction Committee that has the same nationality as either the contestant or coach involved shall be excluded from the deliberation. In all cases, the number of committee members shall be an odd number. If the Chairman is the one who is ineligible, a temporary Chairman must be elected by the remaining members.

(Explanation #2)

Replacement of refereeing officials: The Chairman of the Competition Supervisory Board may recommend the Technical Delegate to replace refereeing officials. In tis regard, the Technical Delegate may instruct the Referee Chairman to replace the refereeing officials concerned.

(Explanation #3)

Deliberation procedures: Procedures for deliberation to make a resolution are as follows:

- 1) *After reviewing the reasons for a protest, the Competition Supervisory Board shall first decide whether the protest is "Acceptable" or "Unacceptable" for deliberation.*

- 2) *If necessary, the Board can hear opinions from the referee or judges; who to be summoned shall be decided by the Board.*
- 3) *The Board shall review the written records on decision of visual recorded data of the competition, etc., if deemed necessary.*
- 4) *After deliberation, the Board shall hold a secret ballot to determine a majority decision.*
- 5) *The Chairman of the Board shall make a report documenting the outcome of the deliberation and shall make this outcome publicly known.*
- 6) *Necessary actions shall be taken according to the decision by the Board.*

(1) Errors in determining the match results: mistakes in calculation of the match score or misidentifying a contestant shall result in the decision being reversed.

(Explanation #4)

On-site Sanction Committee: Deliberation procedure of sanction shall correspond to that of the Competition Supervisory Board, and the details of sanction shall comply with the Regulations on Sanctions.

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