



Official qualifier for the  
U.S. National Taekwondo Championships

March 9-10, 2019

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Fort Worth, Texas 76102

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## NEW IN 2019!

### **Daedo PSS Scoring for ALL sparring competitors**

**ALL** sparring competitors will use Daedo PSS hogus. This will require that all sparring competitors have Gen 2 (preferably) or Gen 1 Daedo electronic scoring socks. Electronic chest guards will be provided. Electronic head gear will be provided for those divisions with scoring head kicks (Cadet black belts and above).

### **Citizenship/Residency**

Athletes participating as a black, red, blue, green, or yellow belt that are 11 years old or younger, as well as the Ultra divisions will NO LONGER have to show proof of U.S. residency to compete in at the State Championships.

All World Class 12 – 14 (Cadets), 15 – 17 (Juniors), 17 – 32 (Seniors) Sparring and Poomsae, and 40 and older Poomsae Black Belt athletes must provide proof of U.S. citizenship to compete in the World Class Divisions. If they cannot provide this documentation, they may compete in the non-world class divisions. These non-world class black belt divisions will allow non-U.S. citizens/U.S. residents the opportunity to compete in the State Championships. These divisions will be eligible for points but will not be included in the World Class Division points. These athletes will also not be eligible for the Talent ID Camps or make any of the USATKD National Teams, because these programs require U.S. Citizenship.

### **Points Ranking System**

TXTKD will use the current Tusah U.S. National Rankings to seed each division at the event. Seeding for events will be based off the current posted rankings on the USATKD website as of 7pm CST the Thursday prior the tournament.



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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**This will be a 2-day event.**

### **Day 1 (Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>)**

- All Poomsae competitions
- All Weapons competitions
- All Breaking competitions
- All Demonstration Team competitions

**Note:** For Poomsae, all color belt and 6-11 year old Black Belt divisions have only two rounds, prelim and final. For any division with more than 9 competitors, the top 8 competitors will advance to the final round. For any division with less than 9 competitors, all competitors will advance straight to the final round. Competitors will perform one Poomsae for prelim and one Poomsae for the final round. Designated Poomsae will be released closer to the tournament date.

All the other black belt divisions (individual, pairs and teams) will do WT cut off format performing one Poomsae for prelim, one Poomsae for semi-final round and two Poomsae for the final round. Designated Poomsae will be released closer to the tournament date.

All board breaking competitors must use boards provided by TXTKD and must be purchased at the time of Credential Pickup. Each board is \$3.00. **Cash only please.** Competitors 9 years and under will use 8"x8"x1/2" boards. Competitors 10 years and over will use 8"x8"x1" boards.

### **Day 2 (Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>)**

- All Sparring competitions

**Note:** Exhibition matches will be allowed for those without another competitor in their division, if available. **A list of single competitors will be posted on the website after registration closes with a time to report to holding to determine if an appropriate match is available.** A signed Liability Waiver for Exhibition Matches will be required before an exhibition match can occur.

All registrations must have been completed online PRIOR to the event. **There will be NO onsite registrations accepted.**

Please check online at [www.txtkd.org](http://www.txtkd.org) for official updates and notifications about this competition.



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Competition Fees

- 1) Kyorugi (Sparring) and Poomsae (Forms): \$100 for one event and \$20 any additional events before 11:59pm CST Sunday, February 24, 2019.
- 2) Add \$40 late fee if registration occurs after 11:59pm CST Sunday, February 24, 2019.
- 3) Late Online Registration will be cut off at 11:59pm CST Monday, March 4, 2019.
- 4) Online Registration through USATKD is MANDATORY at: [www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com)
- 5) NO paper registrations accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- 6) NO door registrations accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS.

### Admission Fees

1 day pass - \$20.00                      2 day pass    \$30.00                      Children under 4 years – FREE

Admission tickets may be purchased with cash only and will be available at the time of weigh-in/credential pickup as well as at the door during the competition.

**The Fort Worth Convention Center does not permit outside food or beverage inside the venue at any time.**

### Coaching

ALL Coaches ARE REQUIRED to have:

- At least an Associate Coach certification
- USATKD Membership
- [SafeSport](#) Training and background check
- Coach's passes must be purchased online for \$50 through [www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com) through 11:59pm CST Monday, March 4, 2019. Add \$25 late fee if registration occurs after 11:59pm CST Monday, March 4, 2019. You will not be able to purchase coach's passes after Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 5pm CST.

### Background Checks

All coaches, referees, club owner/instructors 18 and older are required to complete and pass USATKD background check prior to being a member of USATKD and registered for USATKD state sanctioned events.

USATKD has implemented [SafeSport](#) and it is a requirement for members in a supervisory position with our Taekwondo athletes to undergo and successfully complete a background check. A member whose sole membership category is 'Athlete' will not require a background check.

If you indicate more than one membership category in your registration (i.e., Athlete, Coach, Referee, Instructor and/or Club Owner) and you are 18 years of age and older, you MUST complete a background



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check before you will be allowed to attend a USATKD sanctioned event. The background check is required even if you are registering as just an 'Athlete' for an event. For example, a member is registered as both an Athlete and Coach but only wants to attend an event as an Athlete. The member is still required to complete a background check since they have an active Coach membership.

To complete a Background check, please go to: <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-taekwondo/v2-resources/safe-sport>

### Weigh-Ins

Weigh-In is MANDATORY for all belts and all ages competing in SPARRING. Per USATKD rules, weigh-In must be completed the day before competition. Please pick up your competition credentials at the weigh-in.

**Day 1 competitors who are NOT sparring: Credential pickup:** **Saturday, March 9**  
**8:00am-10:00am**  
**Fort Worth Convention Center**

*Note: No weigh-ins will be done at this time.*

**Day 1 competitors + Day 2 competitors: Weigh-In & Credential pickup:** **Saturday, March 9**  
**10:00am – noon**  
**Fort Worth Convention Center**

*Note: Only competitors who are competing in an event on Saturday as well as sparring on Sunday will be allowed to weigh-in at this time. Competitors who are ONLY sparring will be asked to wait.*

**Day 2 only competitors: Weigh-In & Credential pickup:** **Sat, March 9 noon – 7:00pm**  
**Fort Worth Convention Center**

### Mandatory Equipment

WT approved V-neck uniform only (no color trim except on black belt v-neck).

All sparring competitors must wear (WT approved):

- White or red or blue headgear (red & blue headgear must be matched with chest protector color); Ages 12-32 World Class Black Belt Sparring competitors must have a Red or Blue headgear.
- Red and blue reversible chest protector (hogu)
- Forearm guards
- Shin and instep guards
- Groin cup (male AND females, 12-32 World Class Black Belts and 17-32 female color belts, worn inside)
- White or Transparent Mouthpiece



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- Ages 12-32 World Class and Grassroot Black Belt Sparring competitors must also wear WT approved TKD Gloves
- All sparring competitors must provide their own Gen 2 (preferably) or Gen 1 Daedo electronic socks.

TX TKD will provide electronic chest guards (hogus) for all divisions. Electronic headgear will be provided for those divisions with scoring head shots (Cadet black belt and above).

### Competitor Awards

Medals will be awarded to one 1<sup>st</sup>, one 2<sup>nd</sup> and two 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.

## REGISTRATION

### Online Registration & Requirements

There is no on-site registration at any State Championship or National Championships. All registrations must occur online at: [www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com).

All participants must be current USATKD members.

Athletes must hold the appropriate U.S. citizenship or residency depending on the division he/she participates. U.S. Citizenship/U.S. Residency is not required for competition in non-World Class divisions.

An athlete MAY compete in multiple State Championships. Athletes competing in World Class Sparring divisions (Cadet 12-14, Junior 15-17 & Senior 17-32) must compete in the same weight class at the National Championships they qualify in at the State Championships.

Winners of the Cadet Grassroots divisions **will not** qualify for the World Class division because Grassroots divisions will use Junior Safety Rules and World Class divisions will use Full Head Contact Rules (see competition rules for full explanation of these rules). Once qualified for a World Class division, an athlete is not eligible for Grassroots divisions.

### Non-World Class Divisions

Starting in 2019, we will offer competition for non-US residents and non-US citizens in the Cadet (12-14), Junior (15-17) and Senior (17-32) Sparring and 12 & Older Poomsae black belt divisions. These division will be separate from the World Class divisions and athlete may earn points in these divisions, but are not eligible for USATKD Talent ID Camps, All American Program and are not eligible to compete for the any USATKD National Teams because these programs require U.S. Citizenship to be eligible.



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## Credential Pickup and Weigh-in

All competitors/coaches must check-in to pick up credentials. Weigh-in is mandatory for all belts and all ages in Sparring only. Athletes only competing in Poomsae (Forms) do not need to weigh-in but still must check in and pick up their credentials before they complete. A “confirmed status” by USATKD at [www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com) will ensure a more efficient process.

To allow for a more streamlined process, we are again implementing a staggered credential pickup and weigh-in.

### **Saturday, March 9 -- Fort Worth Convention Center**

***Coaches may pick up their credentials any time between 8am - 7pm on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.***

**8:00am – 10:00am** – Non-sparring competitor credential pickup (NO weigh-ins at this time)

**10:00am – Noon** – Day 1 competitor + sparring weigh-in & credential pickup  
(Athletes competing in ONLY sparring will be asked to wait to weigh-in)

**Noon – 7:00pm** – Day 2 sparring only competitor weigh-in & credential pickup  
(Day 2 sparring competitors who are NOT competing in a Day 1 event should NOT arrive before noon to allow time for Day 1 competitors to be processed.)

## Registration Checklist

Completing all items on this list will help ensure a speedy check-in and weigh-in process at the 2019 USATKD Texas State Championships.

- Register for the 2019 USATKD Texas State Championships through the USATKD Hang-a-Star online registration system ([www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com))
- Complete registration payment online. In order to receive the early registration price, you must pay by the early deadline. If payment is not received by this deadline, the system will automatically update to include the late fee.
- Send in Proof of Residency, Citizenship and/or Black Belt Certification (if required) according to the division for which you have registered. Hang-a-Star will indicate which is required upon completion of registration.
  - Proof of Citizenship required for: Cadet 12-14, Junior 15-17 & Senior 17-32 Black Belts for World Class Sparring and Poomsae
- Ensure your status is “Confirmed” in Hang-a-Star.

NOTE: If you do NOT have a “Confirmed” status, please be sure to bring TWO copies of the required documents (see below) and/or payment (late fee applies; cash or money order only). These documents are required by USATKD to allow credentials to be picked up.





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- Picture Identification Card – To pick up your credentials
- Proof of US Citizenship – US Birth certificate, US Passport, US Passport Card
- Proof of Residency – School ID, school report card (if required for your division)
- Proof of Medical Insurance – Provide copy of front & back
- Black Belt athletes – Copy of black belt certificate, ID card or completed black belt verification form

<b>PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP</b>	<b>AGE</b>	<b>DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED</b>
U.S. Passport	6-7, 8-9, & 10-11: Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, & Black Belts	N/A
U.S. Passport Card	12-14 & 15-17: Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, & Non-World Class Black Belts	N/A
U.S. Birth Certificate	12-14, 15-17, and 18 & Older: World Class Black Belts	Proof of Citizenship
	18 & Older: Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, & Non-World Class Black Belts	N/A
	33 & Older (Ultra): Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, & Black Belts	N/A





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<b>REPORT TIME</b> <i>*Athletes should report to holding at this time. All times are approximate &amp; subject to change*</i>	<b>EVENT</b>
8:00-10:00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Credential pick-up for athletes competing in Poomsae, Weapons, Board Breaking and Demonstration Team ONLY; <u>NO</u> weigh-ins will occur at this time.</li> </ul>
10:00am-noon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Credential pick-up &amp; weigh-in for athletes competing in Poomsae, Weapons, Board Breaking, Demonstration Team <u>AND</u> Sparring. If you are only competing in Sparring, do NOT come at this time as you will be asked to wait.</li> </ul>
Noon-7:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Credential pick-up &amp; weigh-in for athletes competing in Sparring only.</li> </ul>
12:00pm	<b>Competition begins            Poomsae, Weapons, Board Breaking, Demonstrations</b>

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 10, 2019 – Fort Worth Convention Center

<b>REPORT TIME</b> <i>*Athletes should report to holding at this time. All times are approximate &amp; subject to change*</i>	<b>EVENT</b>
8:00am	<b>Competition Begins            Sparring</b>