



## World Taekwondo Guideline on Mandatory Use of WT-Recognized products

All competitions listed on the World Taekwondo Events Calendar are required to use WT-recognized competition uniforms and equipment. (See Article 4.2 of the WTF Kyorugi Competition Rules; Article 4.2 of the WTF Poomsae Competition Rules). The WT hereby issues the following guidelines regarding use of WT-recognized products.

*\*\*\* For WT-recognized events, this guideline is applied only to Senior Kyorugi Division that is the only division recognized by the World Taekwondo.\*\*\**

1. WT has recognized providers for the following categories:

- A. competition uniforms (Kyorugi and Poomsae), **including belt**;
- B. protective equipment (including head protector, mask head protector, forearm guards, shin guards, groin guard, hand protector, trunk protector, protector and scoring system (PSS: trunk PSS, head PSS, sensing socks )
- C. Poomsae scoring systems; and
- D. mats.

D.1. The list of WT-recognized companies by product item, together with their brands/logos and contact information, is available on the WT website (WT Partners -> RECOGNIZED COMPANIES):

<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/>

D.2. The information above D.1 should be prominently included in the Outline of the competitions listed on the WT Events Calendar, as is the practice in the outline of WT-promoted events.

2. Member National Associations (MNAs) should:

- A. be familiar with the complete list of WT-recognized companies by product item;
- B. instruct their athletes, coaches and officials to use only WT-recognized uniforms and equipment when participating in any event listed on the World Taekwondo Events Calendar unless no recognized provider exists (such as mouth guards).

3. Organizing Committees for all events in the World Taekwondo Events Calendar should:
  - A. use WT-recognized mats and, where PSS is used, provide WT-recognized PSS (PSS: trunk PSS and head PSS by OC / sensing socks should be brought by participating athletes) or mask head protector, where appropriate, to the participating athletes;
  - B. inspect the uniforms and other equipment brought and worn by participating athletes to ensure they use/wear WT-recognized products in cooperation with the inspectors of athletes in the Inspection Area;
  - C. print the Chart of WT-recognized brands by product item and put this chart on the walls of the Training Area as well as the Inspection Area.
4. Recognized companies must be treated without discrimination
  - A. Organizing Committees (event organizers) must not selectively restrict the use of WT-recognized uniforms or protective equipment which are brought and worn by athletes.
  - B. Authorized exceptions are PSS (trunk PSS, head PSS) or mask head protector, mats, and Poomsae scoring system, all of which are to be provided by the OC.
5. Continental Unions should:
  - A. ensure that only WT-recognized uniforms and equipment are used at any and all continental-level championships.
6. Reporting:
  - A. Violations of this Guideline is to be reported to an event's Technical Delegate. The reported violations must be included in the Technical Delegate Report to the World Taekwondo.
7. Failure to abide by this guideline shall result in the following:
  - A. first violations shall result in a verbal or written warning;
  - B. additional violations (including those at the same event) will results in a monetary fine of US\$500-to-US\$3,000 depending on the G-rank of the event;

- C. flagrant or multiple violations may result in loss of WT recognition of an event as well as additional penalty under Article 29 of the WT Statutes.