



OUTLINE

ETU Grand Prix Open Qualification Event

E6





Dear friends,

This year, we start with our Grand Prix cycle from Tirana Albania. ETU Grand Prix Open is the first qualification event for the ETU Final Grand Prix in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina on 5-7 December 2026.

This event will not only be graded as E6 and give ranking points for the European Ranking, it will also be a direct qualifying event for the ETU Final Grand Prix that will be hosted in Bosnia and Hercegovina in December of this year.

I firmly believe that a strong foundation for our future champions is necessary to prepare them for what is coming later in their sport career. The Grand Prix event cycle will help in this respect.

Therefore, we will start with this new event cycle and hope that each and every one of you will follow is in our journey into the future!

Yours,

Sakis Pragalos
President European Taekwondo Union





1. SANCTIONED BY

EUROPEAN TAEKWONDO UNION

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2. ORGANIZER

Top Gym Sport & Tae-Kwon-Do Center

EMAIL: office@albanianopen.com

3. EUROPEAN RANKING

This event will be ranked E6

4. VENUE

Sports Hall: "OLYMPIC PARK FETI BOROVA"

ADDRESS: Liman Kaba, Tirana, Albania

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/RvGGgffaEhmBYTmN9>

5. REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION

DATES: 12 February 2026

LOCATION: Eurostar Hotel

10:00-18:00

DATES: 13 February 2026: Venue

09:00-13:00 / 14:00-18:00

6. COMPETITION DATES & SCHEDULE

DATES: 13-14 February 2026

START: 09:00 start competition

13 February: Cadet Female & Male: All divisions

14 February: Junior Female & Male: All divisions





7. WEIGH IN DATES, SCHEDULE & LOCATION

DATES: 12-13 February 2025

11:00-13:00 / 14:00-16:00

12 February / Location: Eurostar Hotel

Cadet Female Male: All divisions

13 February / Location: Venue

Junior Female Male: All divisions

Please make sure to arrive in time in Tirana (Albania) to attend the weigh in at the scheduled weigh in times. ETU will not allow any athlete or team to arrive later than the scheduled weigh in and weigh in after the scheduled times will not be permitted.

In case your plane is delayed, please send as soon as possible an email to sport@europetaekwondo.org

including a photo of the airport screens showing the actual delay of the airplane. Without any proof, ETU will not allow any late weigh ins.

8. RANDOM WEIGH – IN DATES, SCHEDULE & LOCATION

LOCATION: Venue

SCHEDULE: Daily at 08:00 hrs

The names of the athletes selected for the Random Weigh-in will be daily published, at 06:30 hrs on the competition day on the following (social) media platform:

<https://europetaekwondo.org/documents/>

9. DRAW SHEETS AND BRACKET PUBLICATION

The draw sheets and brackets will be daily published, one (1) day before the start of competition at 16:00 hrs on the following (social) media platform:

<https://europetaekwondo.org/documents/>

10. SEEDING

At this event, all athletes will be 100% seeded as per the last published European Ranking list.

11. COMPETITION RULES

The last updated WT Competition Rules & Interpretation shall be applied.



12. MEDAL EVENTS

The following Cadet medal events are applicable:

CADET DIVISIONS			
Men's division		Women's division	
Under 33 kg	Not exceeding 33 kg	Under 29 kg	Not exceeding 29 kg
Under 37 kg	Over 33 kg and not exceeding 37 kg	Under 33 kg	Over 29 kg and not exceeding 33 kg
Under 41 kg	Over 37 kg and not exceeding 41 kg	Under 37 kg	Over 33 kg and not exceeding 37 kg
Under 45 kg	Over 41 kg and not exceeding 45 kg	Under 41 kg	Over 37 kg and not exceeding 41 kg
Under 49 kg	Over 45 kg and not exceeding 49 kg	Under 44 kg	Over 41 kg and not exceeding 44 kg
Under 53 kg	Over 49 kg and not exceeding 53 kg	Under 47 kg	Over 41 kg and not exceeding 47 kg
Under 57 kg	Over 53 kg and not exceeding 57 kg	Under 51 kg	Over 47 kg and not exceeding 51 kg
Under 61 kg	Over 57 kg and not exceeding 61 kg	Under 55 kg	Over 51 kg and not exceeding 55 kg
Under 65 kg	Over 61 kg and not exceeding 65 kg	Under 59 kg	Over 55 kg and not exceeding 59 kg
Over 65 kg	Over 65 kg	Over 59 kg	Over 59 kg

The following Junior medal events are applicable:

JUNIOR DIVISIONS			
Men's division		Women's division	
Under 45 kg	Not exceeding 45 kg	Under 42 kg	Not exceeding 42 kg
Under 48 kg	Over 45 kg and not exceeding 48 kg	Under 44 kg	Over 42 kg and not exceeding 44 kg
Under 51 kg	Over 48 kg and not exceeding 51 kg	Under 46 kg	Over 44 kg and not exceeding 46 kg
Under 55 kg	Over 51 kg and not exceeding 55 kg	Under 49 kg	Over 46 kg and not exceeding 49 kg
Under 59 kg	Over 55 kg and not exceeding 59 kg	Under 52 kg	Over 49 kg and not exceeding 52 kg
Under 63 kg	Over 59 kg and not exceeding 63 kg	Under 55 kg	Over 52 kg and not exceeding 55 kg
Under 68 kg	Over 63 kg and not exceeding 68 kg	Under 59 kg	Over 59 kg and not exceeding 59 kg
Under 73 kg	Over 68 kg and not exceeding 73 kg	Under 63 kg	Over 59 kg and not exceeding 63 kg
Under 78 kg	Over 73 kg and not exceeding 78 kg	Under 68 kg	Over 63 kg and not exceeding 68 kg
Over 78 kg	Over 78 kg	Over 68 kg	Over 68 kg

13. METHOD OF COMPETITION AND CONTEST TIME

- Single elimination tournament system.
- Best of three (3) system will be used.
- 3 rounds of 1.5 minutes, one (1) minute break between each round.
- The Technical Delegate has the authority to adjust the contest time as he sees fit.

14. HEAD OF TEAM MEETING G MEDICAL MEETING

No meetings will be held. Information can be found in the applicable Telegram groups and on social media platforms.

15. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following eligibility requirements are applicable:

1. Holder of a valid 2026 WT Global Athlete License.
2. Member of a pertinent Member National Association, recognized by European Taekwondo Union or World Taekwondo.
3. An athlete in order to be eligible for participation must be born in
 - a. Cadet athletes: 2012, 2013, 2014
 - b. Junior athletes: 2009, 2010, 2011
4. Cadet: Holder of 4th Kup or higher
5. Junior: Holder of 1st Kup or higher
6. All competitors must prove their age/nationality by presenting their passport or identification card at the official weigh in. For those athletes that are not adults, a written letter of consent must be submitted (please find enclosed on the last pages) at the registration, signed by one of the parents or legal guardians, accepting their participation and all parts of the official invitation.

16. GRAND PRIX PATHWAY

See below overview of the ETU Grand Prix Series pathway in 2026:



17. QUOTA SPECIFIC RULES

The following rules are applicable for direct qualification for the ETU Final Grand Prix in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina on 5 – 7 December 2026.

1. Top 4 athletes (Medalists) qualify directly for the E10 ETU Final Grand Prix in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina on 5 – 7 December 2026.
2. The quota is strictly personal. Transfer of quota in another weight division is



accepted.

18. COACH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum age of 18 years
2. Holder of the WT Coach License Level I Coach Certification
3. Holder of a valid 2026 WT Global Official License
4. Coach is not allowed wearing Dobok
5. One (1) coach per five (5) athletes is allowed. Exceeding this ratio is subject to an extra fee.

19. MEDICAL STAFF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum age of 18 years
2. Holder of a valid 2026 WT Global Official License

19. SPORT ENTRIES

Team entries will only be accepted through the WT GMS online registration system Simply Compete. Registration of the athletes is only possible with a valid 2026 WT Global License (GAL issued by assigned GMS club, Edition and Administrators only).

Please find below the direct link to the WT GMS platform:

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

20. OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION CARDS

The following accreditation cards are issued:

ROLE	MALE TEAM		FEMALE TEAM
Head of Team		1	
Manager		1	
Coach	1 per 5 athletes		1 per 5 athletes
Trainer	2		2
Team Doctor/Physio		1/1	

21. REGISTRATION DEADLINE

The following deadline is applicable for all sport entries and payments:

9 February 2026, 23:5G GMT



22. APPLICABLE FEES

Entry fee:	150 euro per registered athlete paid until 25 January 2026
Late fee:	175 euro per registered athlete after the deadline of 25 January 2026
Cash:	200 euro per registered athlete
Modifications:	50 euro for any on site change of medal event
Miscellaneous:	50 euro per each additional accreditation card

23. PAYMENT INFORMATION

All entry fees shall be paid in advance to the Organizing Committee. All bank transfer shall be paid to the following bank account:

ACCOUNT HOLDER:	Shoqata Top Gym Sport
IBAN:	IBAN: AL21 2121 1009 0000 0000 0075 4927
SWIFT:	CDISALTRXXX
BANK:	Credins Bank, Albania
ADDRESS:	Rr. Vaso Pasha Nr.8 Tirana Albania
PAYMENT REFERENCE:	Team name + GP2026

24. PROOF OF PAYMENT

A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to:

EMAIL: office@albanianopen.com

All teams are required to send proof of payment (copy of bank transfer) to office@albanianopen.com within one (1) week after registration in Simply Compete or submit it at the registration appointment booking platform. The Organizing Committee has the right to delete sport entries from teams that do not send proof of payment from the system in order for other athletes to register and to prevent 'ghost athletes'.

Any athlete registering on-line who does not take part in the competition and who has not been removed from the entry list before the deadline 9 February 2026, is fully liable for paying his/her entry fee in full. For any athlete not presenting at registration, his/her team or official shall be liable for ensuring full payment of the entry fee of the aforementioned athlete prior to the team's participation. If a team does not show up at the event and has not requested a participation cancellation before the deadline, the Organizing Committee shall invoice the team for the full amount (100%) as per current outline.

25. NO REFUND POLICY

The Organizing Committee shall not refund entry fees paid.

26. SPORT EQUIPMENT

1. **PSS:** Daedo International Generation 3 with electronic head gear
2. **Mats:** Daedo International, recognized by World Taekwondo
3. **Other:** All participants athletes must wear WT recognized competition uniform. See a list of recognized products at:
<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html>

27. FIELD OF PLAY REGULATIONS

By accepting the accreditation card, all accredited persons agree to comply with the Field of Play regulations applicable at European Taekwondo Union events.

28. INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

- 1st place – gold medal and certificate
- 2nd place – silver medal and certificate
- 3rd place – bronze medal and certificate
- 3rd place – bronze medal and certificate

All medal winners qualify to the ETU Final Grand Prix 5-7 December 2026 Sarajevo, Bosnia Herzegovina.

All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

29. MEDICAL G ANTI-DOPING

The WT Anti-Doping Rules, and where necessary the Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency, shall apply throughout the competitions.

1. Compulsory anti-doping tests may be carried out for selected medalists, while random tests may be conducted to the rest of the athletes. The WT and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the championships.
2. TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption): Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the "Prohibited List" of the WT Anti-Doping Rules and Anti-Doping Code of World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for therapeutic purposes are requested to submit TUE applications via ADAMS, together with the required medical information. If you do not have an ADAMS account yet, please contact tue@ita.sport to have it set up. Otherwise, please download the TUE Application Form [HERE](#) and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to tue@ita.sport with copy to antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org by at least 30 days before the first competition day
3. For more details, please see the following page of the WT website:
http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti_doping-wt/therapeutic.html
4. WT Mouth guard, Taping and Bracing rules
<http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/WT-Mouthguard->



30. MEDIA PRESS

MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Registered media and press officials or official photographers are entitled to receive a media and press accreditation card. For more information, please contact the European Taekwondo Union Media department at media@europetaekwondo.org

PHOTO POSITIONS

All accredited photographers are only allowed to use the designated photo positions while working in the Field of Play. By accepting a media and press accreditation, the accredited person agrees to follow at all times the instructions of the European Taekwondo Union Media and Press officer.

31. HASH TAGS SOCIAL MEDIA

HASH TAGS

European Taekwondo Union uses the following hash tags at Facebook and Instagram:

#ETU

#EuropeanTaekwondoUnion

#GRANDPRIXOPEN

SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

European Taekwondo Union is present at the following social media platforms:

Facebook: @europeantaekwondounion Instagram: @europeantaekwondounion

Twitter: @europeantaekwondounion YouTube Channel: European Taekwondo Union

32. INDEMNITIES

It is the responsibility of each registering team to ensure that their athletes and team officials have filled out the indemnification forms correctly and have duly signed them, thereby indemnifying WT, ETU, the Organizing Committee and all other officials and athletes from any claims of injuries, losses or otherwise arising during participation at the **ETU Grand Prix Open Tirana Trophy 2026 E6** event for the or any activities linked therewith. It is the responsibility of each registered team to ensure and guarantee that sufficient insurance coverage has been arranged for all athletes, team officials and other participants. Without sufficient insurance coverage, teams will not be allowed to compete. Please fill out the Personal Indemnity Forms and return them to the Organizing Committee before 10 February 2026. Each participant (athletes, team officials, etc.) must fill out the indemnification form.





33. MEDICAL INSURANCE

All participating athletes, coaches, team officials, technical officials and participants at ETU events shall have mandatorily an international medical insurance that covers medical care (COVID included) and in case of emergency, repatriation to the country of origin, valid on the days present in the host country of the event. ETU nor the Organizing Committee shall be responsible to cover any medical costs incurred for medical treatment before, on or during the competition or repatriation in the broadest sense of the word. All relevant documents proving that such an insurance is present, including insurance policy papers, should be taken to the event in case a medical situation occurs. Each MNA, Team doctor or team medical staff must ensure their athletes and team officials have valid international health insurance that covers medical and emergency care at the designated hospitals in **Albania** before arrival to the venue.

General

The OC cannot predict the developments in the next coming months with regard to the Corona COVID-16 outbreak in Europe. The teams have to bear in mind that due to the uncertain nature of the Corona COVID-16 outbreak and sole authority of each government on how to respond, restrictions to access the Host country may be applicable. It is the responsibility of each and every participating team to make sure they meet all entry requirements in order to enter the Host country and to monitor the **Albanian** policy with regard to entry policies.

Sufficient insurance

The teams are strongly urged and advised to make sure to have their own sufficient travel, cancellation, medical insurance.

Liability

In this respect, please be informed that the OC shall not and cannot be held liable for any expenses and costs incurred by the teams for travelling to the event in case of cancellation of the event due to (further) outbreak of the Corona COVID-16 virus in the Host Country. The teams are strongly urged and advised to make sure to have their own sufficient travel, cancellation and medical insurance. The OC shall not accept any claims or requests for compensation in case of cancellation of the event.





PERSONAL INDEMNIFICATION FORM

THIS INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS, RELEASE AND CONSENT NOT TO SUE
executed this on:

(insert date of signing).

I, the undersigned, certify that I will indemnify, hold harmless and release the European Taekwondo Union, World Taekwondo and the Organizing Committee, its executive board members, directors, officers, members, employees, consultants, agents, attorneys, contractors (including without limitation sponsors, suppliers, licensees and other representatives (each, an "Indemnatee" and, collectively, "Indemnitees"), from and against any and all damages, injuries, penalties, fines, claims, suits, liabilities, costs, attorneys' fees court costs and expenses of every kind and nature suffered by or asserted against the Indemnatee as a direct or indirect result of participating in the **ETU Grand Prix Open Tirana Trophy 2026 E6** event in the broadest sense of the word.

By signing and submitting the form below, I accept and agree to the terms and covenants contained in this Indemnification, hold harmless, release and consent not to sue.

I verify that by signing and submitting this form, that I have read and agree to all of the terms and conditions provided above.

NAME:

DATE:

SIGNATURE:

