

# BALKAN KIDS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

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**ROMANIA-BUCHAREST-POLIVALENT HALL-18 APRIL**

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**1<sup>st</sup> BALKAN KIDS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**18 APRIL 2026 BUCHAREST / ROMANIA**

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***Dear athletes, technicians and parents,***

*The Olympic sport discipline of Taekwondo WT is a foray into self-knowledge and personal progress. The curriculum of our sport, which has its origin in the way of the Korean people's evolution, is well adapted to the current needs and can be a universal panacea for the construction of future citizens whose personality and knowledge will be able to contribute to solving the current and future problems of society.*

*Taekwondo WT is also a solution for ensuring personal safety through the self-defense knowledge included in its curriculum been very helpful in the current situation when young people need to ensure their own protection.*

*I recommend sport and competition in all its forms for the valuable benefits related to communication, adaptation, physical and mental health of the practitioners.*

*Looking forward to see in Romania!*

Yours,

**Sakis Pragalos**

*President European Taekwondo Union*



Dear friends,

It is my pleasure to invite your team to the Balkan Kids Taekwondo WT Championship Bucharest 2026!

This event is an event in which our athletes can meet and taste how it feels to fight in different divisions.

Registration is now open and I invite all of you to register and be part of an amazing event. We have already felt the warm hospitality of Romania at past events and I am looking forward to be back in Romania!

Yours,

**Dr. Metin Şahin**

*President of Balkan Taekwondo  
Union*



***Dear friends,***

Taekwondo is a very vast field of friendship, knowledge and self-improvement through sport.

We invite you all to this prestigious Balkan Kids Taekwondo WT Championship Bucharest 2026 competition that will be organized on 17-18 April 2026 in the city of Bucharest - Romania, an annual event that brings to the start athletes with a rich track record in the company of some of the world most renowned coaches.

The Balkan region has a thousand-year history and also a major contribution in the framework of the modern continental era through the achievement of important cultural and sporting events, including the Olympic sports discipline Taekwondo WT, which has a strong representation in this region.

The moral values and well-being that is acquired by participating in the training and competition process has a fully inclusive character, an aspect that animates us and remains our strong desire.

Well come to the land of Romania!

***Constantin Apostol***

***President of  
Romanian Taekwondo WT Federation***



**PROMOTER: BALKAN TAEKWONDO UNION**

**President of BTU: Dr. Metin Sahin**

Website: <http://www.balkantaekwondo.com/>

**ORGANIZER: ROMANIAN TAEKWONDO WT FEDERATION**

**President of F.R. Tkd WT: Mr. Apostol Constantin**

E-mail: [office@btutaekwondo.org](mailto:office@btutaekwondo.org)

**Dates: 18 April 2026**

**SANCTIONED BY**

**European Taekwondo Union**

[info@europeantaekwondounion.org](mailto:info@europeantaekwondounion.org)

**VENUE**

**Name: Sport Hall “Sala Polivalenta” Bucharest, Romania**

**Address: Bucharest, Calea Piscului nr. 10, sector 4, Bucharest**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

**9 April 2026, 23:59 (GMT+2)**

**SPORT ENTRIES - ONLINE REGISTRATION**

Registration for the contest will be done by accessing the attached link:

<https://www.btutaekwondo.org/balkan-kids-championships-2026-registration/>

***NO LIMIT OF TEAM REPRESENTATIVES BY NATIONAL TEAMS PER CATEGORY/DIVISION***

## REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION

**17 April 2026**

09:00 – 13:00

14:00 – 20:00

Sport Hall “*Sala Polivalenta*” Bucharest

Calea Piscului nr. 10, sector 4, Bucharest, Romania

## WEIGH-IN DATES, SCHEDULE & LOCATION A CLASS & B CLASS

**17 April 2026**

14:00 – 20:00

Sport Hall “*Sala Polivalenta*” Bucharest

Calea Piscului nr. 10, sector 4, Bucharest, Romania

**Kids Male:** -24kg, -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg;

**Kids Female:** -24kg, -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg;

## COMPETITION DATE & SCHEDULE A CLASS & B CLASS

**18 April 2026**

08:30 Head of Team meeting at the venue

09:00 Start of competition

**Kids Male:** -24kg, -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg;

**kids Female:** -24kg, -27kg, -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg;

**The weigh-in will not be extended. Make sure you arrive on time in CITY!**

## DRAW SHEETS & BRACKET PUBLICATION

The draw sheets and brackets will be daily published, one (1) day before the start of competition at 20:00 – 21:00 hrs on the following (social) media platforms:

<http://www.balkantaekwondo.com/>

Facebook: Federatia Romana de Taekwondo WT

## SEEDING

No seeding is applicable.

## COMPETITION RULES

WT Competition Rules & Interpretation

## COMPETITION SYSTEM

Single elimination tournament system.

## CONTEST TIME

Best of three (3) system will be used.

1,30 minute x 3 rounds with 1 minute break

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- WT Global Athlete Licence **not required** for athletes competing
- Member of the team/club of a pertinent Member National Association, recognized by ETU or WT (open for all clubs worldwide).
- An athlete in order to be eligible for participation must be born in 2015, 2016, 2017
- All participants must be prepared to prove their age by presenting their valid passport or ID card at the registration. Starting permission for children and minors lies within the clubs responsibility (mind the liability exclusion). By filing the application the contestants agree that their names will be published on the participants and result lists on the internet.
- All competitors of the participate at their own risk. The registration application implies that the contestant agrees to assume all responsibility for themselves and to

release all others from all and any liability which may directly or indirectly result  
Participating contestants shall wear the WT recognized taekwondo uniform.

- **Category A Class:** 4 kup and above.
- **Category B Class:** 5 - 8 kup

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CATEGORY/DIVISION**

### APPLICABLE FEES

**Regular fee:** 35 euro per registered athlete, paid by 1 April 2026

**Late fee/Cash:** 50 euro per registered athlete paid after 1 April 2026

**Additional Accreditation cards**

50 euro for each on-site approved additional requested Accreditation card or for registered team officials on the top of the above-mentioned quotas.

**Protest fee 200 euro.**

If the WT Competition Rules allow an official protest, a non-refundable 200 euro fee shall be paid.

No refunds of entry fee will apply!

### BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

**ACCOUNT NAME:** ROMANIAN TAEKWONDO WT FEDERATION  
(FEDERATIA ROMANA DE TAEKWONDO WT)

**NAME OF BANK:** ROMANIAN COMMERCIAL BANK-UNIRII Branch  
(BANCA COMERCIALA ROMANA)

**IBAN:** RO14 RNCB 0082 0441 7116 0005 (for Euro €)

**SWIFT:** RNCBROBUXXX

**Applications:** The entry fees can also be paid at the official registration desk.  
The prove of payments shall be sent to the:  
**Federatia Romana de Taekwondo WT**  
E-mail: [office@btutaekwondo.org](mailto:office@btutaekwondo.org)

**Payment Reference:** Balkan Kids Championships 2026 and Team Name

## SPORT EQUIPMENT

### **PSS – system**

Daedo International Generation 2, with electronic headgear are provided by the OC.

### **Mats**

Only WT approved and recognized mats will be used.

### **Dobok and protective equipment**

Athletes can only use WT recognized products while participating at the event. See a list of recognized products at: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html>

Only WT-recognized equipment is allowed groin-, forearm-, shin-, mouthpiece, Daedo sensor socks and gloves shall be brought by the contestants, which is compulsory. Sensor socks will not be provided by the organization.

## FIELD OF PLAY REGULATIONS

By accepting an accreditation card, all accredited persons agree to comply with the Field of Play regulations applicable at Taekwondo events. Only the competitors and their coaches will have admittance with valid accreditations to the contest areas.

## VENUE ACCESS REGULATIONS

- Free entry.

## AWARDS

### Individual awards

1 st place – gold medal and certificate

2 nd place – silver medal and certificate

3 rd place – two bronze medals and certificate

All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

Trophies will be awarded for the first 3 teams

## REFEREES

### **NOTE:**

Each country must bring at least one (1) international licensed referee. A maximum of two (2) referees per participating nation will be admitted. If in any case the second referee must be, national referee with great experience and update knowledge.

International Referees must be licensed by the WT, and the national referee must be licensed by pertinent federation promoting to this championship. Referees should send their application form before the 15.03.2026, to the OC:

**Email:** [office@btutaekwondo.org](mailto:office@btutaekwondo.org)

The OC will provide accommodation and full board for two nights in the hotel for referees.

Each international referee will receive an allowance of € **75,00 euro/competition/day**.

Each national referee will receive an allowance of € **50,00 euro/competition/day**.

## MEDICAL AND ANTI-DOPING

### **Applicable medical rules**

The WT Medical Code, WT mouth guard, bracing, taping, padding and piercing rules are applicable, which all MNA participating this event must comply.

### **Applicable doping rules**

The WT Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA Anti-Doping Code are applicable. Compulsory random doping tests will be conducted among all athletes. Balkan Taekwondo Union and/or WADA may carry out random out-of-competition testing prior to the event.

### **Therapeutic Use Exemption**

Athletes who take any substance or medicine listed in the “Prohibited List” of the WT Anti-Doping Rules and WADA Anti-Doping Code for therapeutic purposes are requested to submit TUE applications via ADAMS, together with the required medical information.

Otherwise, please download the TUE Application Form (found on <https://ita.sport/TUE>), and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical file to [tue@ita.sport](mailto:tue@ita.sport). Report TUE applications also to the WT Sport Department via [antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org](mailto:antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org) by no later than 30 Martie 2026.

### **ADAMS login**

For ADAMS login, please contact National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) in your country or [tue@ita.sport](mailto:tue@ita.sport) with copy to [antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org](mailto:antidoping@worldtaekwondo.org)

### **For more details, please visit**

<http://www.wada-ama.org/en/ADAMS/> [http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti\\_doping-wt/therapeutic.html](http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/anti_doping-wt/therapeutic.html)

## MEDIA AND 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 [office@btutaekwondo.org](mailto:office@btutaekwondo.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 Balkan Taekwondo Union Press officer.

## ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT

Hotels are not mandatory.

## HASH TAGS & SOCIAL MEDIA

### **Hash tags**

#### **Social media platforms**

<https://www.btutaekwondo.org>

## MEDICAL INSURANCE

All participating athletes, coaches, team officials, technical officials and participants at BTU events shall have mandatorily an international medical insurance that covers medical care and in case of emergency, repatriation to the country of origin, valid on the days present in the host country of the event. BTU 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.

### **Sufficient insurance**

The teams are strongly urged and advised to make sure to have their own sufficient travel, cancellation, and 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-19 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  
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executed this on:

(insert date of signing).

I, the undersigned, certify that I will indemnify, hold harmless and release the Taekwondo Europe, World Taekwondo, the \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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:**

In case the person involved is a minor, the legal guardian has to sign:

**Name:**

**Relation towards the minor:**

**Date:**

**Signature:**

Please send this form to: \_\_\_\_\_

# LIABILITY DECLARATION

*(only for under aged athletes)*

My name:

I live in:

I am the parent/guardian of:

Date of birth (competitor):     /     /

I declare that I accept the participation of at the Balkan Championships on \_\_\_\_\_ and that I accept all parts of the official invitation of this tournament.

For physical reasons nothing speaks against a participation of the aforementioned athlete and I understand that all competitors are considered to participate at their own risk. \_\_\_\_\_, and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for any damages, injuries or losses. All athletes must bring their own documents and the forms or any medical insurance in Bucharest, Romania,

**Place:**

**Date:**

**Signature of the parents/legal guardian:**