



# 2021 Florida State Championships



**DATES:**

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

March 5<sup>th</sup> Registration for USA Taekwondo's' Qualifying Events

March 6<sup>th</sup> FST Hosting the USATKD's State Championships (All Events require USATKD Membership)

March 7<sup>th</sup> Florida State Open Taekwondo Championships (USATKD Membership NOT Required)

**LOCATION:**

The Chain of Lakes Fieldhouse and Conference Center  
210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven, Florida 33880

**REGISTRATION:** For **USATKD Sanctioned and National Qualifying Events**

<https://www.usat.hangastar.com/login.aspx> Must be Current USATKD Member in good standing and US Citizen to Compete in any Black Belt World Class Divisions

**Florida State Open Taekwondo Championships \_\_\_\_**

**WEIGH-IN & CREDENTIAL PICKUP:** **USATKD Qualifying Events** Registration is **ONLY** on Friday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 2 till 9pm for all Events (Friday Registration and Weigh In is Mandatory for USATKD Qualifying Events).

**Florida State Taekwondo Open's** Registration is on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Registration & Weigh-In is Available for the Florida State Open from 8:30am till 2pm on Saturday & on Sunday from 8:30 to 11am.

**ENTRY FEES:**

Early Registration Fee \$85 Main Event and \$20 per each additional event;

Final Registration Fee \$95 main event and \$25 per each additional event.

**SPECTATORS:**

General admission is \$15 –children 5 and under are free.

**COVID-19 & HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES:** **These Rules may be amended as we get Closer to the event Please watch you email for updates;** All who are to enter the Event Venue will go through a Temperature Check and if anyone has a Temp of 99.9 or above will not be allowed to enter. Once you Enter the Venue all will must Wear a facemask, at all times or the Venue Security may ask you to leave. At the Rings, currently Athletes and Coaches must Wear a Facemask. All Facemasks have to cover Your Nose and Mouth Completely. All Rings will have hand sanitizer available and Gloves for Judges and Referee's. Any Provided equipment will be disinfected prior to use and the Athlete must return the equipment from where they received it themselves. There will be Hand Sanitizer at all entrances and exits of the Competition Area. The Venue has 2 floors top floor is Spectator Only Area and all Must Wear a facemask at all times. On the Competition Floor Only the Competitors which have been called to Holding are allowed and only 2 Spectators are allowed on the Competition Floor while their Athlete is Competing. At Registration and Weigh-In All must wear a Facemask and the Athlete and 1 other may be present. Social Distance Guidelines must be adhered to as well as wearing a Facemask, there will be no exceptions to this, as the Venue and local Officials can close and cancel





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the Event at anytime for non-adherence to the COVID-19 and their Health and Safety Rules.

**COACHES:** Early Coach Registration Fee \$50, Closes on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021; Final Coach Registration Fee \$65, Closes on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Please Remember SafeSport is Due Every Year Now for USATKD) (if you are to coach in both USATKD and Florida State Events only need to register once as Coach with USATKD) If only Coaching for Florida State Event only register as Coach through Florida State Event. At the ring all Coaches are required to wear a Facemask at all times and must be covering your nose and mouth, there is no exception to this and if a Referee removes the Mask for any reason your Athlete will receive a "GamJeom" Penalty.

**DEADLINE:** REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Early Registration ends February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Final Registration Ends February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021; As per USATKD all Registrations have to be completed 10 Business days prior to Event Date.

**RANKS:** As to the **USATKD Qualifying** Event; All divisions and all ages recognized ranks are: **White, Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, and Black Belts** (A Poom Belt is a Black Belt).

As to the **Florida State Open** Event, All divisions and all ages recognized ranks are: **White, Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, and Black Belts** (A Poom Belt is a Black Belt). **Age Brackets All Belts – (6-7), (8-9), (10-11), (12-14),(15-17), (18 – 30), (31-40), (41-50) & (Over 50)**

**UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: USATKD Requirements,** Black Belts Must Have Black V-Neck Uniform, and/or for Poomsae they must have their **WT** recognized **Poomsae Uniform**. Poom Belts Must have either Poom or Black V-Neck Uniform and/or for Poomsae they must have their **WT** recognized **Poomsae Uniform**. All Color Belts Must Wear **White V-Neck** Uniform No Poom or Poomsae Uniforms.

**Florida State Open Event Uniform Requirements,** All Competitors must wear a **White** Taekwondo V-Neck Uniform for all events and the Competitor has the right to wear a WT recognized Poomsae Uniform during Poomsae Competition.

## **ELECTRONIC SCORING EQUIPMENT: USATKD Qualifying Event;**

- All Poomsae competitors (all belts and ages) will be scored through Poomsae Pro (electronic scoring system).
- All Sparring Divisions will be using PSS Equipment (DaeDo Gen 2), World Class Black Belt Divisions- Cadet, Junior and Senior Divisions will have e-Head Gear and full electronic scoring).
- Grass Roots (cadet) Division and all Non-World Class Sparring Divisions will NOT Utilize e-Head Gear.

## **Florida State Taekwondo Open Event:**

- All Poomsae competitors will be Head-to-Head elimination style competition.
- Sparring divisions, all belts and all ages will utilize standard PSS Equipment (trigger scoring only).

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Referee Chairman Master Jin Hwan Hwang





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**EVENTS:** The following list of Events are not the order for the day of Competition but just an outline to match the Attachments to follow.

**USA TAEKWONDO Qualifying Event:** Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, This is a list of the events **Only-** (not the order of competition)

1. Male Kyorugi (Sparring) (NO Exhibition Matches)
2. Female Kyorugi (Sparring) (NO Exhibition Matches)
3. Individual Sports Poomsae
4. Team Poomsae
5. CO-ED Pair Poomsae
6. Para Poomsae (Poomsae of your Rank)

## **MANDATORY EQUIPMENT - ALL COMPETITORS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN GEAR:**

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**Florida State Open Event Uniform Requirements,** All Competitors must where a **White** Taekwondo V-Neck Uniform and for all events and the Competitor has the right to wear a WT recognized Poomsae Uniform during Poomsae Competition. All Sparring competitors must wear WTF style white, red or blue headgear (red & blue headgear must be matched with chest protector color) and, red and blue reversible chest protector, forearm guard, shin and instep guard, groin cup (males and females worn inside) and mouthpiece. Each competitor must provide his or her own equipment.

**ELECTRONIC SCORING EQUIPMENT:** The **USATKD Qualifying Event;** All Poomsae competitors (all belts and ages) will be scored through **Poomsae Pro** (electronic scoring).

All Sparring Divisions will be using PSS Equipment (DaeDo Gen 2), World Class Black Belt Divisions- Cadet, Junior and Senior Divisions will have e-Head Gear and full electronic scoring). Grass Roots (cadet) Division and all Non-World Class Sparring Divisions will NOT Utilize e-Head Gear.

As to the **Florida State Open Event;** All Poomsae competitors will be Head-to-Head elimination style competition. Sparring divisions, all belts and all ages will utilize standard PSS Equipment (trigger scoring only).

## **USATKD QUALIFYING EVENTS:**

**MANDATORY CREDENTIAL PICK UP, WEIGH-IN and COACHES MEETING at The Chain of Lakes Fieldhouse and Conference Center, Gymnasium:**

- On Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, from 2pm – 9pm, All Competitors must Register and Receive their Credentials and Sparring Competitors Must Weigh-In (the day before they compete) **No-exceptions can be made.**

**Coaches must register in advance online (NO EXCEPTIONS).** There will be a Mandatory Coach Meeting on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in The Coach's Reception Room. Coaches credential maybe pick up at registration after the meeting.





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## FLORIDA STATE TAEKWONDO OPEN:

**CREDENTIAL PICK UP, WEIGH-IN and COACHES MEETING at The Chain of Lakes Fieldhouse and Conference Center, Gymnasium:**

- Registration and Credential Pick-Up is on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Registration, Credential Pick-Up & Weigh-In is from 8:30am till 2pm on Saturday & on Sunday from 8:30 to 11am. On Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, from 2pm – 9pm.

**Coaches must register in advance online (NO EXCEPTIONS).** There will be a Mandatory Coach Meeting on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in The Coach’s Reception Room. Coaches credential maybe pick up at registration after the meeting.

## Schedule of Events

**(schedule and events may be changed or amended as needed)**

### FRIDAY – March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (USATKD Qualifying Events)

- 2:00 pm **Credential Pick Up and Weigh In** for all competitors competing on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- 2:00 pm **USATKD Referee Seminar** (2 pm - 10 pm)
- 8:00 pm **Mandatory Coach Meeting** (7pm-8pm)  
Coaches are required to be active members of USATKD and be at minimum a certified Associate Coach within the USATKD CIDP program to be coach at the State Championship. Coach Passes must be purchased online at [www.usat.hangastar.com](http://www.usat.hangastar.com). Online late registration will be cutoff at 1:59 am EST on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021. **Coach Passes cannot be purchased at the Event.**

### SATURDAY- March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

- 8:00 am **Doors Open**
- 8:45 am Begin calling Competitors to the Holding Area
- 8:50 am **Opening Ceremonies**
- 9:00 am **USATKD Competition Events Begin**  
**POOMSAE**  
**POOMSAE Black Belts**
  - **Team**
  - **Pairs**
  - **Individual**
- 9:300 am **Sparring** (NO Exhibition Matches)
  - **Senior Black Belt Sparring: World Class**
  - **Junior Black Belt Sparring: World Class**
- POOMSAE Para All Competitors, Color Belts & All Ages**
- POOMSAE All Competitors, Color Belts & All Ages**
- SPARRING**





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- All Competitors, All Belts & All Ages (NO Exhibition Matches)

Color Belt and Black Belt Sparring will occur simultaneously – NO Exhibition Matches

All Black Belt Sparring will use Daedo Electronic Scoring.

## **Divisions maybe called out of order to expedite the event**

### **SUNDAY- March 7<sup>th</sup> ,2021**

- 8:00 am           **Doors Open**
- 8:45 am           Begin calling Competitors to the Holding Area
- 8:50 am           **Opening Ceremonies**
- 9:00 am           **Florida State Taekwondo Open Championships Competition Events Begin**
- Weapon Forms**
- Traditional Forms**
- Black Belts**
- Team
  - Pairs
  - Individual
- 9:30 am           **Breaking**
- Sparring**
- Senior Black Belt Sparring
  - Junior Black Belt Sparring
- Traditional Forms**
- Traditional Forms** – All Competitors, Color Belts & All Ages
- SPARRING** – All Competitors, All Belts & All Ages

- Color Belt and Black Belt Sparring will occur simultaneously
- **Divisions maybe called out of order to expedite the event**

## **USATKD Athlete Qualification and Divisions**

All USATKD State Championships will use the same age, belt color, weight categories, and rules that are followed at the USATKD National Championships. See Attachment A for a complete list of these divisions. A State Championship may choose to add divisions other than the required divisions, but these divisions will not qualify athletes to compete at the USATKD National Championships and you will need to note this in your information packet.

\*\*USATKD uses the date December 31 of the given year (December 31, 2020) to determine the age of all competitors. For example: an athlete turns 10 on November 18, 2020, so they would compete as a 10-year-old in the given event, even though they are 9 years old at the time of the event for all divisions. The exception to this rule is for the Senior World Class Black Belt Division in which an athlete is eligible to make the USATKD National Team which would be





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competing in a Championship (World or Pan Am) or Olympic Games being held the following year. For example, if an athlete will turn 17 anytime during the year of the Senior World or Pan Am events, they are eligible to compete in the prior year's State Championships in the Senior division.

Athletes that are competing in 12-14 (Cadet) Grassroots Sparring competition do not have to provide proof U.S. residency. Since this division uses junior safety rules and does not qualify athletes for World or Pan Am Championships. However, if an athlete does have a black belt and wishes to compete in Poomsae, that athlete must show a valid form of U.S. citizenship to compete at State and National Championships.

State Championships must provide both a World Class and Grassroots Cadet sparring divisions at their event. The Cadet Grassroots division will serve as division for those athletes whose coach and parent do not think they are ready to compete using full head contact rules. Athletes that compete in the Grassroots division qualify for the Grassroots division for the National Championships. Athletes that compete in the Grassroots division DO NOT qualify for the World Class division. Cadet athletes that compete in the World Class Divisions cannot participate in the Grassroots Division at the State or National Championships if they have qualified through World Class.

USATKD State Championships are direct qualifiers for the USATKD National Championships. Athletes must be U.S. Citizens or U.S. Residents (see chart below) to compete in a State Championship and USATKD National Championships. There will be a fine assessed to the State Association for every non-U.S. Citizen that is found to have participated at that State Championship in any World Class Black Belt divisions. This fee will also be assessed if the State Association allows an athlete to compete in a division that requires proof of U.S. Citizenship and they are not a U.S. Citizen.

**If an individual is not a valid U.S. citizen, he/she will not be allowed to compete at the USATKD National Championships or State Championship in World Class Black Belt divisions. This rule must be enforced by all State Associations.**

PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP	PROOF OF RESIDENCY	AGE	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
U.S. Passport	U.S. Passport	6-7, 8-9, & 10-11: Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, & Black Belts	Proof of Residency
U.S. Passport Card	U.S. Passport Card	12-14 & 15-17: Yellow, Green, Blue, & Red Belts	Proof of Residency
U.S. Birth Certificate	U.S. Birth Certificate	12-14(cadet), 15-17 (Junior), and 18-32(Senior): Black Belts	Proof of Citizenship
	Social Security Card	18 & Older: Yellow, Green, Blue, & Red Belts	Proof of Residency
	Green Card	33 & Older (Ultra): Black Belts	Proof of Residency
	U.S. School Report Card / Transcript		
	Valid U.S. Driver's License or Government issued ID		
	U.S. Military ID		







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**Note:** These are the only acceptable documents that may be submitted any other documents will not be approved.

## USATKD National Championship Qualifications

All athletes **\*\*participating** in the following divisions at a sanctioned USATKD State Championship, NCTA Championship, or Armed Forces Taekwondo Qualifier will automatically qualify to compete at the USATKD National Championships.

**\*\*Participating** means athletes must have officially weighed-in at the event scales (sparring) and/or participated on the competition mats in front of the event referees (poomsae) and received a place within the division.\*\*

**SPARRING:** All Belts – Dragon(6-7), Tiger(8-9), Youth(10-11), Junior(15-17), Senior(17-32)& Ultra(33+) & Yellow, Green, Blue & Red belts for Cadet(12-14). An athlete **MAY** compete in multiple State Championships. Athletes competing in World Class Sparring divisions (Cadet 12-14, Junior 15-17, and Senior 17-32) must compete in the same weight class at the National Championships they qualify in at the State Championship.

**POOMSAE:** All Belts – Dragon(6-7), Tiger(8-9), Youth(10-11), Cadet(12-14), Junior (15-17), Under 30 (18 -30), Under 40 (31-40), Under 50 (41-50), Under 60 (51-60), Under 65 (61-65), Over 65 (66+) (Pairs and Teams). To receive points an athlete must weigh-in, step on the mat, and fight and complete the match. An athlete cannot “participate” to earn the points, meaning weighing in, stepping on the mat, and withdrawing without fighting. If an athlete withdraws and does not fight, they will not earn any points for that event.

If an athlete competes and wins their first match but they bow out in any upcoming match in the tournament and does not fight, that athlete will only receive the points from the previous match that was won. Athletes will not receive points for making it to a round and bowing out of that round or for beginning the round and withdrawing before the completion of the entire match.

If an athlete is disqualified during a match the opponent of the disqualified athlete will receive the points from that match if they are declared the winner. It will be considered that the disqualified athlete lost that round and will earn the points gained from the previous match won.

Athletes will only earn points in the weight division they compete in, whether the athlete loses or wins the match. As long as an athlete fights and completes their match they will receive points for the last round they lost in.

**Athletes must compete in the age category according to the age he/she will be as of December 31, 2021.**

## World Class vs Grassroots

World Class and a Grassroots divisions will only be offered for Cadet Sparring black belts. Cadet World Class divisions will use adult rules and Cadet Grassroots division will use Junior Safety Rules.





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*Cadet Poomsae; Junior Poomsae and Sparring; Senior Sparring and Poomsae black belts will have World Class Divisions ONLY (no Grassroots divisions).* Those athletes that “participate” at a USATKD State Championships in any of these black belt divisions will qualify for the World Class divisions.

## Miscellaneous Information

- If an athlete wants to compete in both Junior and Senior divisions, they must compete and qualify for both divisions.
- Winner of the Cadet Grassroots divisions **will not** qualify for the World Class division because the Grassroots division will use Junior Safety Rules and World Class divisions will use full head contact rules (see competition rules for full explanation of rules). Once qualified for World Class, an athlete is not eligible for Grassroots divisions.
- To compete at the 2021 USATKD National Championships ALL athletes **MUST** qualify by ***participating***\*\* at a USA Taekwondo State Championship, NCTA Championship, or Armed Forces Taekwondo Qualifier. If an athlete is in a state that does not host a State Championship, then they will need to participate in another State’s championship.

## HOTEL INFORMATION:

### LEGOLAND Beach Retreat

3-star hotel

100 Legoland Way, Winter Haven, FL 33884 • (863) 318-5400

- Room Rate: \$130/Night for King or Double Queen rooms
- Rate Name/Code: SSG Taekwondo
- Hotel Contact Number: if available
- Deadline to Reserve: February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021
- Hotel Information & Accommodations for Participants: Complimentary Breakfast included (Grab and Go), Complimentary WiFi, Complimentary Self-Parking, On-Site Laundry Facilities







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**Courtyard by Marriott Winter Haven- 6225 Cypress Gardens Blvd SE, Winter Haven, FL 33884 (863) 292-3000**

- Room Rate: \$149/Night for King or Double Queen rooms
- Rate Name/Code:
- Hotel Contact Number:
- Online Reservation Link:
- Deadline to Reserve: April 10, 2020
- Hotel Information & Accommodations for SSG Participants: Complimentary Hot Breakfast, Complimentary WiFi, Complimentary Parking, Fitness Center, Pool, Laundry Services, Business Center, Refrigerator in room, Service Animals only allowed

