

**Federal (ABFT) Selection Criteria for the
2025 Cadet World Championship
10-14/05/2025 – Fujairah (United Arab Emirates)**

0. Precaution

The BTF selects young athletes in order to participate in the Cadet European Championship and/or the World Cadet Championship. Preparation for and participation in these tournaments should be considered as an opportunity to gain experience within their long-term development, rather than a short-term goal of achieving high-level results. This prevents early specialization and harmful behaviors that may hinder their proper development.

1. General Information

1.1 Championship Date

The 2025 Taekwondo World Cadet Championship (WCC) will take place from 10-14/05/2025.

1.2 Venue

Fujairah (United Arab Emirates)
(exact venue to be confirmed)

1.3 Eligibility

To participate in the WCC, the taekwondoin must:

- Be of Belgian nationality.
- Be affiliated with a federation that is a member of the Belgian Taekwondo Federation.
- Hold a valid GAL.
- Have a minimum of 1st poom diploma.
- Be born in 2013, 2012 or 2011.

1.4 Weight Categories

The weight categories open to selection are:

- Girls: -29, -33, -37, -41, -44, -47, -51, -55, -59, +59kg
- Boys: -33, -37, -41, -45, -49, -53, -57, -61, -65, +65kg

1.5 Number of Athletes Selected per Category

Only one taekwondoin per weight category and nation must be selected.

1.6 Registration Deadline

The registration deadline for selected taekwondoins is xx/xx/2025 (date to be determined, not yet known when drafting this document).

1.7 Selection Period

The selection period starts on 22/02/2025 and ends on 05/04/2025.

2. National Selection Criteria

2.1 Selection Criteria

To be eligible to participate in the WCC, the Belgian taekwondoin must meet at least the following condition :

Having won at least one silver medal and one bronze medal in the following selection tournaments:

- G/E Slovenian Open G1/E1 (22/02/2025)
- G/E Dutch Open G2/E2 (09/03/2025)
- G/E Belgian Open G1/E1 (16/03/2025)
- G/E Serbian Open G1/E1 (05/04/2025)

Notes:

- A result will only be considered if at least one fight was won during the relevant tournament.
- Medals must be won within the same weight category.
- The taekwondoin will be selected in the weight category where they fulfilled the selection criteria.
- If any selection tournaments are canceled/modified, or if the registration deadline for the WCC falls within the selection period, the National Selection Committee reserves the right to adjust the criteria.

2.2 In Case of a Tie

If multiple athletes meet the selection criteria within the same category, the following tie-breaker will be applied:

The taekwondoin with the highest total points from three participations in the selection tournaments, within the relevant category, will be selected. Points are awarded based on the Table 1 below:

Result	G1/E1	G2/E2
1st place	10	20
2nd place	6	12
3rd place	3,6	7,2
5th place	2,16	4,32
9th place	1,51	3,02
17th place	1,06	2,12
33rd place	0,74	1,48
65th place	0,52	1,04

Table 1 : Points awarded by the WT according to the result obtained in the G1/E-G2/E Open

Notes:

- A result will only be considered if at least one fight was won during the relevant tournament.
- The three best results must be obtained in the same weight category. Results from different weight categories cannot be combined.

2.3 In Case of Further Ties

In case of further ties, the National Selection Committee will select the taekwondoin based on a multifactorial analysis of the case, considering parameters described in section 3.4.

3. Deliberation

The National Selection Committee may select a taekwondoin based on a multifactorial analysis of their case, oriented towards their chances of success. This deliberation is not automatic and is left to the discretion of the Technical Director from the federation with which the taekwondoin is affiliated.

3.1 Deliberation for a Taekwondoin Who Met the Selection Criteria

The National Selection Committee may propose that a taekwondoin who met the selection criteria but was not selected competes in a higher or lower weight category, provided that the category is vacant.

3.2 Deliberation for a Taekwondoin in Growth

Cadets are still growing. If a selected taekwondoin can no longer maintain their weight to remain in the category where they were selected, the Technical Director may request an analysis. Based on this, the taekwondoin may move up a higher category, provided that it is vacant.

If multiple taekwondoins in the same category are eligible but cannot maintain their weight, moving up will be proposed to the athlete who wins the tie-breaker (see 2.2 and 2.3).

The taekwondoin deliberated for growth who was proposed to move up cannot replace another who fulfilled the deliberation criteria in their own weight category.

3.3 Deliberation for a Taekwondoin Who Did Not Meet the Selection Criteria

A taekwondoin who did not meet the direct selection criteria (see 2) may still be selected through deliberation if they satisfy at least the following condition:

- Having won at least two bronze medals, with at least one fight won in each case, in the selection tournaments.

3.4 Factors Considered in Deliberation

The deliberation process takes into account the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Competition level.
- Number of fights won.
- Level of opponents they lost to.
- Level of opponents they defeated.
- Results achieved in other weight categories.
- Results achieved in other G/E-class opens.
- Weight stability.
- Body fat percentage.
- Standing height.
- Athlete's age within the category.
- Training environment.
- Progression potential between the registration deadline and the objective.
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4. Validation of Selection

The National Selection Committee validates selection based on these criteria.

Note:

Selected cadet competitors must continue their training program to tackle the WCC in optimal shape. If prolonged or repeated absences from training result in a decline in competition level, the selection must be suspended or canceled.

5. Reference

In case of disputes over the understanding of the selection criteria, the English version of the text will prevail.

6. Categories by Height/Weight

If the WCC should occur in height/weight categories (Tables 2 and 3), athletes in the same height/weight categories could meet the selection criteria in a same weight category or in different weight categories. In that case, the procedure detailed in points 2.2 and 3.3 will be used to identify the selected athlete.

Men's division		Max Weight	Min Weight
Under 148cm	Not exceeding 148cm	45kg	33kg
Under 152cm	Over 148cm & not exceeding 152cm	48kg	35kg
Under 156cm	Over 152cm & not exceeding 156cm	51kg	37kg
Under 160cm	Over 156cm & not exceeding 160cm	53kg	39kg
Under 164cm	Over 160cm & not exceeding 164cm	56kg	41kg
Under 168cm	Over 164cm & not exceeding 168cm	59kg	43kg
Under 172cm	Over 168cm & not exceeding 172cm	61kg	45kg
Under 176cm	Over 172cm & not exceeding 176cm	64kg	47kg
Under 180cm	Over 176cm & not exceeding 180cm	67kg	49kg
Over 180cm	Over 180cm	80kg	52kg

Table 2 : Height/Weight categories - Male

Women's division		Max Weight	Min Weight
Under 144cm	Not exceeding 144cm	43kg	32kg
Under 148cm	Over 144cm & not exceeding 148cm	45kg	33kg
Under 152cm	Over 148cm & not exceeding 152cm	48kg	35kg
Under 156cm	Over 152cm & not exceeding 156cm	51kg	37kg
Under 160cm	Over 156cm & not exceeding 160cm	53kg	39kg
Under 164cm	Over 160cm & not exceeding 164cm	56kg	41kg
Under 168cm	Over 164cm & not exceeding 168cm	59kg	43kg
Under 172cm	Over 168cm & not exceeding 172cm	61kg	45kg
Under 176cm	Over 172cm & not exceeding 176cm	64kg	47kg
Over 176cm	Over 176cm	75kg	50kg

Table 3 : Height/Weight categories - Female