

WorldChamps LLC - Official Video & Competitor Guidelines

Welcome to the WorldChamps Virtual Martial Arts Championships! Please read and follow these guidelines carefully to ensure your entry is valid and judged fairly.

VIDEO SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Name Card:

Every video must begin with a clearly visible name card. The card must include:

- Your full name
- "Virtual World Championships Series [X]"
- The current date

The card can be handwritten, printed, or displayed on a digital device. Videos without a name card will be disqualified.

2. Optional Announcement:

You may announce your name, division, and form name at the start. No other commentary is allowed.

3. Continuous Recording:

Submissions must be a single, continuous recording. Any edits, cuts, or pauses will result in disqualification.

4. No Added Effects:

Do not add text, graphics, animations, or overlays to your video.

5. Background & Setting:

Record in a clean area - plain walls or outdoor spaces are ideal. Remove any clutter or distractions. Shoes may be worn.

6. Original Footage Only:

Videos must be newly created specifically for this event. Recordings from other tournaments or events are not allowed.

7. Video Quality & Angle:

Use the best video quality available. Keep the camera front-facing and steady. Your entire body - feet, hands, and head - must be clearly visible at all times. No zooming, slow-motion, or speed changes are allowed.

8. No Background Music:

Background music is not permitted.

9. Primary & Backup Videos:

Submit two videos per division:

- 1 Primary video
- 1 Backup video (must be different)

Backup videos are used only to break ties within the Top 10.

10. Multiple Divisions:

If competing in multiple divisions, submit a separate set of primary and backup videos for each.

11. No Entry Limits:

There are no limits on the number of competitors per division. This is a global event - all are welcome!

12. Video Length:

Videos must be at least 30 seconds and no longer than 2 minutes. Only one form per video is allowed. The length of the form does not affect scoring.

COMPETITOR CONDUCT & UNIFORM

13. Uniform:

All competitors must wear a traditional martial arts uniform appropriate for their style.

14. Order of Entry:

The order in which entries are received will determine the order of competition.

15. Respect & Discipline:

Respectful conduct is mandatory. All competitors, coaches, and parents must act with integrity and discipline throughout the event.

16. Judging Decisions:

All judging decisions are final. Disrespectful or disruptive behavior may result in disqualification and/or bans from future events.

17. Backup Forms:

Backup forms must be different from primary forms. This ensures fair tie-break evaluations. Ties are broken only for the Top 10 in each division.

OPEN MARTIAL ARTS FORMS

- All martial arts styles and associations are welcome.
- Forms can be traditional, modern, or creatively modified.
- This is not a gymnastics competition. Aerial moves must have martial arts application (e.g., a butterfly kick is allowed; a roundoff or back handspring is not).

OPEN WEAPON FORMS

- Weapons must be used safely and responsibly.
- No sharp blades, dangerous props, or gimmicks.
- No juggling or throwing weapons - they must stay in hand throughout.
- Dropping, breaking, or striking objects with the weapon results in disqualification.
- No background music is allowed.
- Weapons must be traditional to martial arts (e.g., a bo staff is allowed; a baseball bat is not).

PARA MARTIAL ARTS DIVISION

This division is for individuals with permanent physical disabilities, including:

- Use of a wheelchair

- Limb loss
- Permanent braces

Temporary injuries or temporary medical braces do not qualify. If you are unsure about eligibility, please contact the tournament staff for guidance.

DIVISION CODES

Each division is coded as follows:

- Youth (Y) or Adult (A)
- Empty Hand (E) or Weapon (W)
- Sex: Boy/Girl (B/G) or Male/Female (M/F)
- Age Group (e.g., 1013)
- Rank (e.g., WYO for White, Yellow, Orange Belt)

Example Code: YEB10-13WYO

Means: Youth, Empty Hand, Boy, Age 1013, White/Yellow/Orange Belt Division.

By submitting your videos, you agree to follow all rules and guidelines above. For any questions, please reach out to worldchampsarena@gmail.com.

Train hard. Compete with honor. Good luck!