

## **VIRTUAL ONLINE RULES**

Martial Arts Virtual World Championships www.VirtualWorldChamps.com

**Specific Event Rules:** Open, Extreme, Weapons, Self-defence, Board Breaking divisions: (WOMAA), Kata divisions: (WKF), Poomsae divisions: (World TKD), and Pattern divisions: (ITF). International Judges will hired/paid and affiliated with the listed international associations. Also please see our Virtual Online Rules below

**Registration:** online only at www.VirtualWorldChamps.com/registration

**Eliminations:** Series A 1 April – 30 April. Series B: 1 June to 30 June, Series C: 1 August to 31 August 2020. Winners are announced the day after each series elimination ends by email and published on the official site; www.VirtualWorldChamps.com and in the Facebook Group

**Run-Offs:** All first place winners in all three series will compete again in the Run-Offs, **12 September** to determine the top two competitors that will go to the Live Show finals. No charge for this event.

**Live Show:** Top two winners from the Run-Offs will advance to perform again in the Live Show final at no charge (Free) live online, Steaming World-wide: **Saturday 19:30 London Time, 3 October 2020 from their location**. A competition link will be emailed.

## **Awards:**

**1st-** Beautiful Custom Gold Jewelled Rings with jewellery box & personalized World Champion Certificate.

**2nd-** Large beautiful Silver Custom Medal & personalized World Champion Certificate.

**3rd-** Large beautiful Bronze Custom Medal & personalized World Champion Certificate.

Note: Demo Teams receive- 1 beautifully designed custom plaque and World Champion Certificate.

**Grand Champions-** Each will be presented a Luxurious Gold Jewelled Crown and box, Cash Prize, & personalized World Champion Certificate. Awards are presented by postal Airmail. The placement certificates are sent electronically by email. Scoring will be live in the finals. The Jewelled Crown will be awarded with a division prize sent by airmail following the event. Cash prize will be sent electronically to the bank account you specify after being declared winner. A certificate of World Championships Grand Champion will be sent electronically by email. Specific competition directions will be given to the winners before the final competition. You must be available on the finals date and time to perform on live video from your location. Late appearances will be disqualified.

**Judges:** 3 Certified International judges will score each division. International Judges will be selected by the board of directors for the Virtual World Championships and will work from their locale. All judging will be online. Only the Finals will be have LIVE scoring. Judges will be paid a percentage salary by bank transfer. To qualify as a Judge for this historic event, interested black belts, 18 & over, with proper qualifications may contact us: VirtualWorldChamps @ gmail.com

## **Virtual Online Rules:**

- 1. Your video must be a current one (<u>created after 20 March 2020</u>) for the series (Except Demo Team).
- 2. Must show a picture ID at beginning of form with no editing or breaks.
- 3. Announce clearly and loudly your name and your optional form name.
- 4. There can be no breaks or edits in the track or the video will be rejected (no edits).
- 5. No text or graphics are permitted in the video.
- 6. Video background should not display advertisements, logos. A plain wall is best. Outdoors is also good with no distracting elements.
- 7. No tournament videos are permitted.
- 8. Videos should be clean, no music or background noise, no audience comments or applause. A good cell phone is sufficient to record your forms.
- 9. Once you register and upload a video in a division there are no changes allowed. You may enter more than one division that you qualify for.
- 10. Individual form videos should be 0:30 to 2:35 minutes as a general guideline and contain only 1 form, music is optional, but the form must be to the music and not just background music.
- 11. 3 Man Team Kata videos should be 7 minutes as a general guideline and contain only 1 form with Bunkai.
- 12. Demonstration Team videos should be 10 minutes or less. No competitor limit. Because of the pandemic, your team my enter a video as an event under one member's name and it should be before the 20 March date but no older than 2019. No tournament videos please.
- 13. Weapon forms must be safe, no sharp weapons or dangerous acrobatics and should be 0:30 to 2:35 minutes as a general guideline and contain only one form. Do not film a form with a dropped weapon or hitting an object/wall as it will be disqualified.
- 14. Must submit 1 primary and 1 backup video (in case of a tie). Backup video must be different form for brown & black belts. In the event of a second tie, the high score is dropped.
- 15. Must wear a traditional Martial Arts uniform that is accepted by your style.
- 16. When a division reaches 16 competitors in the 1st round, it will be divided in half by sex, age or belt.
- 17. Line up order will be determined by latest entries being judged first. Submit early for best seating.
- 18. Board breaking must us the plastic re-breakable boards. You may use up to 10 boards separately or as combined breaks. You may use helpers or board holder devices. May use skilful breaks by hands, feet or elbows. Entire breaking sequence must be 3 minutes or less as a general guideline. For all ages and ranks.
- 19. Self-defence Routines 1 defender will demonstrate defence against 1 to 3 attackers. Attackers may use holds, strikes, safe or fake weapons and attack multiple times. Time limit is 2 minutes or less. The defender must show their ID at the beginning of the routine and state their name. Only 1 full routine per video. Upload a back up video using different defences in case of a tie score. For all ages and ranks.
- 20. Specific association divisions such as WKF, World TKD, ITF, etc. must conform to their performance regulations in the specific divisions and apply these virtual rules where applicable. You may enter more than one division that you qualify for as long as you comply to the rules.
- 21. The Kids Open Forms is a Free (no charge) division only for youth ages 12 yrs and under, all ranks, all styles, M/F. This division is for a competitor that cannot afford to compete in the medal eliminations/finals rounds. Awards: 1,2,3 place World Championships Series certificates by email at conclusion of each series. This division does not qualify for the Live Show. A paying competitor cannot enter this division. We want to give everyone a chance to compete.
- 22. Para Martial Arts Forms is for persons of special needs. You may write us for clarification if you qualify for this division. There will be no charge for this division. Awards: 1,2,3 place World Championships Series certificates by email at conclusion of each series. This division does not qualify for the Live Show.

**Good luck** and start work on your videos to submit to the international board with your registration form. Once it is approved it will be submitted to the Judges of your event/division. Be a part of history, get professional feedback to improve your forms and go for the international title in your selected divisions. We hope to also see you compete in the Live Show at the Virtual World Championships Finals.