

## National Qualification Criteria

### Article I. *Objective*

To establish a criteria for members of TKDNB to qualify to represent NB at any national competition. This is a guideline that must be met in order to be approved by the President to represent NB at any national event held by Tae Kwon Do Canada.

### Article II. *Purpose*

The purpose of this criterion is to ensure that any member wishing to compete at any national event is well prepared prior to said event. This allows the President and the coaching staff to ensure that each member wishing to compete is prepared to do so for the province of NB.

### Article III. *National Events*

- a. A member must qualify for any national event, which includes but is not limited to the following:
  - i. Junior or Senior Canadian National Championships
  - ii. Junior or Senior Canadian Poomse Championships
  - iii. Junior or Senior Pan Am/World Team Trials
- b. Should there be any other national events that are excluded from this list, it is to the discretion of the Board of TKDNB to determine whether it requires qualification

### Article IV. *Qualification Period*

The qualification period for members runs from January to December of each year.

### Article V. *Qualification Requirement*

- a. To qualify for a national event, each member must compete at 2 of 3 qualifying events held in NB.
- b. Must be a Black Belt registered with the TKD Canada Kukkiwon database
- c. Must be a registered member of TKDNB

### Article VI. *Competition requirements*

- a. Competing in a qualifying event requires the following to be met:
  - i. Register for qualifying event
  - ii. Weigh in (applicable to only sparring competitors)
  - iii. Enter ring prepared to compete (for both poomse and sparring competitors)
- b. If any of the three requirements above are not met, the member would not be considered to have competed at a qualifying event and would not count towards qualifying for a national event.

### Article VII. *Exemptions*

Members that are able to present a medical note from a qualified Doctor will receive an exemption from the qualifying event. If they are unable to attend any qualifying events

due to medical reasons, then an application must be put forward to the Executive and Board of TKDNB asking for permission to compete at any national event. Any member unable to compete at a qualifying event and provides a medical note will not be required to pay a registration fee and will receive an exemption for qualifying for the event they are unable to attend.

#### Article VIII. *Qualifying Tournament requirements*

In order to be considered a qualifying event, the tournament must meet the following requirements:

- a. Must include sparring competition
- b. Must include poomse competition
- c. Must be a TKDNB sanctioned event
- d. Must use Olympic mats and one of the two electronic scoring systems available.
- e. Must be accepted by host to be considered qualifying event
- f. Must have been hosted the tournament, sanctioned by TKDNB, for 2 years before being eligible as a qualifying event.

#### Article IX. *Provincial Games*

The Annual provincial games held each year by TKDNB will always be considered a qualifying event.

- a. **Host** – The provincial games can be hosted by any individual wishing to do so. The individual must apply to TKDNB to be considered and approved to host the provincial games. The host will be assisted by TKDNB for items that are required by the Association.
- b. **Honorarium** – The host of the event will be paid \$1,000 to host this event, so long as the requirements are met by the host as outlined in item c.
- c. **Requirements** – The provincial games are to include and are limited to the following:
  - i. Color and Black Belt Competition
  - ii. Individual Poomse Competition all belts
  - iii. Sparring – Single elimination (Double elimination Black belt so long as time permits)
  - iv. Canteen
  - v. Olympic mats and electronic scoring systems (all rings)
  - vi. St John Ambulance first aid
  - vii. Clean and acceptable venue for competing and viewing
  - viii. Sufficient volunteers to assist in operating computers
- d. **Registration** – Registration for this event will be handled by TKDNB including collection of funds
- e. **Referee Committee** – The Referee Director will be responsible for coordinating the referees, doing weigh ins, and managing the electronic scoring systems (TrueScore and Ringmaster)
- f. **Expenses** – All expenses required to be paid to hold this event will be paid by TKDNB and not that of the host.

Article X. *Other eligible qualifying events*

- a. Addition to the Provincial Games hosted each year, there will be 2 other events that will be considered as qualifying events. The other 2 events will be based on the TKDNB sanctioned tournaments hosted around the province. This will be done on a rotating basis between all those tournaments that are eligible to be qualifying events.
- b. Hosts of tournament within TKDNB have the option to be considered a qualifying event. Their tournament must have the minimum requirements as outlined in Article 8. The host may include any other events during their tournament that they wish to have. They are not limited to what is outlined in Article 8.
- c. Excluding provincials, no 2 qualifying events can be hosted within the same region. If there is no other tournament host willing to be a qualifying event in that year outside a region where one event is already a qualifying event, it is up to the Board of TKDNB to decide the due process to a third qualifying event.

Article XI. *Effective Date*

- a. These criteria will be in effect starting January 1, 2012.
- b. The year running from January 2012 to December 2012 will be the first qualification year. Any members looking to compete at any national events in 2013 will have to qualify for them in 2012.

Article XII. *Qualifying Tournament Rotation*

- a. The following will be the rotating events for qualifying besides the provincial games. This rotation is not limited to the tournaments listed. Tournaments that become eligible as per Article 8 will be placed into the rotation as well. The current rotation is as follows:
  - i. Year 1 – Grand Master Chung’s tournament – Moncton (Southeast Region) and Grand Master Vaughan’s tournament - Quispamsis (Fundy Region)
  - ii. Year 2 – Master Delisle’s tournament – Moncton (Southeast Region) and Master Soucy’s Tournament – Campbelton (Miramichi/Campbelton Region)
  - iii. Year 3 – Master Thorley’s tournament – Riverview (Southeast Region) and Master Morris’ tournament – Saint John (Fundy Region)
- b. The above rotation will continue to rotate through year after year. If any new tournaments become eligible as a qualifying event, they will begin at the end of the list.
- c. Should any host decline to be considered as a qualifying event. The next host down the list from another region will be asked and so on and so forth, until an acceptance is received.

- d. Each host will be asked prior to the start of the new qualifying year and must respond to TKDNB with an acceptance or decline by December 31 each year in order to inform the membership of the upcoming qualifying events. Notification will be sent out to the host from TKDNB along with the appropriate documents to inform TKDNB of their decision.
- e. Should, for any reason, a tournament not be held in a coming year, then the replacement host will be decided on the same criteria as item c above.

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