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OFFICIAL INVITATION

Dear Taekwon-Do friends,

We are thrilled to extend a warm invitation to you on behalf of the Latvian Taekwon-Do Federation for the European Challenge Taekwon-Do Tournament "**Baltic Amber Cup 2025**"

We are honored to invite club teams to participate in the ECTT "Baltic Amber Cup 2025," which will be held in Riga, Latvia, on the **8th and 9th of November 2025**.

This year's tournament holds special significance as it will be dedicated to the 107th anniversary of the birth of General Choi Hong Hi, the founder of Taekwon-Do. It is a moment to celebrate his legacy and the values of Taekwon-Do that unite us all.

The Baltic Amber Cup is proud of its glorious history, dating back to 2003. Over the years, it has become one of the most anticipated official events in Latvia, supported by the Municipality of Riga, the Department of Education, Culture and Sports of the Riga City Council, and the Department of Sports of the Ministry of Education and Science of Latvia.

We invite you to join us in this prestigious tournament, honoring the spirit of Taekwon-Do and enjoying the charm, rich culture, and warm hospitality of Riga!

We look forward to welcoming you and wish you a wonderful stay in Riga!



**Chairman of organizing committee:
Master Vyacheslav Semenov, 8 Dan**





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General information (v.1.0)

Date	08th – 09th of November 2025
Place	Riga Sports Arena "Arkadija", Kojusalas street 9, Riga, Latvia
Organizer:	Latvian Taekwon-do Federation,
Tournament director:	Master Vjacheslav Semenkov, ph. +371 29510010, itf.latvia@gmail.com
Applications:	Applications are on-line though ITF DB

<https://data.taekwondo-itf.com/event/31723/9024> by this link add your school (club) at first and add competitors, coaches and referees.

Deadline for applications is on October 25, 2025 23:59 EEST

You can activate or withdraw your team members before deadline. After deadline all changes can be done ONLY by organizing committee. After deadline we cannot guarantee start at the competitions, but we try our best.

Referees: Register on-line till October 25, 2025 23:59 EEST

Entry fee: 50 Euro for 1 competitor / 70 Euro for 1 competitor after deadline (01 Nov. 2025)
Can be paid to organizer bank account as deposit (paragraph 6) or can be paid in cash at the time of team registration on 7th of November 2025. Team leaders are responsible to pay for all team members in single payment (not separately by each competitor).

Trophies and awards:



We award all individual winners for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place with medals and diploma of competitions. The winners in Team Overall will be awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place with Team Cups and diplomas.

Athletes who have won prizes must be present at the awarding ceremony and go out for rewards dressed **a team sports suit or in Dobok.**

Athletes who do not show up for the awards will forfeit their awards. The awards of athletes who did not show up for the awards ceremony **will not be given to coaches!**

Number of referees:

Each club (team) ensures at least 1-2 qualified referees for the whole day. The referees must be dressed according to the ITF rules. All referees have the obligation to attend the registration together with the competitors from their team. If the team does not have judge for the work in this competition, so it loses the rights to make a protest. The Organizing committee will pay 30 EUR for umpire for working day bonus money by cash and the dinner in the day of Events.

Registration & weight-in on Friday **7th November 2025** from 16:00 to 19:00 & it possible on 8th November from 08:00 – 09:30;

Place of registration will be announced later. Competitors must show on registration:

- passport or ID-Card;
- ITF Dan/Kup certificate or ITF membership booklet.

The coach must attend registration and the weight-in.



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PROPOSITIONS

AGE DIVISIONS: Cadets U14 (11-13), Juniors-1 U-16 (14-15), Juniors-2 U-18 (16-17),

Adults-1 U-35 (18-34), Adults-2 (35-44).

Age of competitors will be controlled by their ID. From each club is allowed unlimited number of competitors in each division. Participants must have a medical insurance policy valid at the time of the competition in the territory of Latvia.

1. Disciplines and categories:

Juniors, Adults and Veterans male, female will compete in patterns and sparring.

1.1. Individual Patterns. Minimum qualification level of participants – Yellow belts (8th Gup)

1	Male cadets ≤ 13 years old	8-7 Kup	6-3 Kup	2 Kup - 1 Dan	
2	Female cadets ≤ 13 years old	8-7 Kup	6-3 Kup	2 Kup - 1 Dan	
3	Male Junior 14-17 years old	8-5 Kup	4-1 Kup	1 Dan	2-3 Dan
4	Female Junior 14-17 years old	8-5 Kup	4-1 Kup	1 Dan	2-3 Dan
5	Male Adult, 18-34 years old	6-1 Kup	1-2 Dan	3-4 Dan	
6	Female Adult, 18-34 years old	6-1 Kup	1-2 Dan	3-4 Dan	
7	Male Adult, 35-44 years old	6-1 Kup	1-2 Dan	3-4 Dan	
8	Female Adult, 35-44 years old	6-1 Kup	1-2 Dan	3-4 Dan	

For color belts will be only one designated pattern in preliminary bouts and two patterns (optional & designated) in final & semi-final.

1.2. Individual Sparring.

1.3. Cadets **U-14** & Juniors **U-16** will be spitted into **B-Class** (8-5 Kup) and **A-Class** (4 Kup -1 Dan).

1.4. For Adults **U-18** & **U-45** minimum qualification level of participants– green belts (6th Kup).

Nº	cods	Age groups	time	Weight category
1	U-14 B-Class	Male Cadets (11-13 years)	2 x 1,5 min	-35; -40; -45; -50; -55; -60; -65; +65kg
2		Female Cadets (11-13 years)		-30; -35; -40; -45; -50; -55; -60; +60kg
3	U-14 A-Class	Male Cadets (11-13 years),	2 x 1,5 min	-35; -40; -45; -50; -55; -60; -65; +65kg
4		Female Cadets (11-13 years)		-30; -35; -40; -45; -50; -55; -60; +60kg
5	U-16 B-Class	Male Juniors (14-15 years)	2 x 1,5 min	-45; -50; -55; -60; -65; -70; +70kg
6		Female Juniors (14-15 years)		-40; -45; -50; -55; -60; -65; +65kg
7	U-16 A-Class	Male Juniors (14-15 years)	2 x 1,5 min	-45; -50; -55; -60; -65; -70; +70kg
8		Female Juniors (14-15 years)		-40; -45; -50; -55; -60; -65; +65kg
9	U-18	Male Juniors (16-17 years)	2 x 1,5 min	45; -51; -57; -63; -69; -75; +75kg
10		Female Juniors (16-17 years)		40; -46; -52; -58; -64; -70; +70kg
11	U-35	Male Adults (18 - 34)	2 x 2 min	-52; -58; -64; -71; -78; -85; -92; +92 kg
12		Female Adults (18 – 34)		-47; -52; -57; -62; -67; -72; -77; +77 kg
13	U-45	Male Silver veteran (35-44)	2 x 1.5 min	-75; -85; +85 kg
14		Female Silver veteran (35-44)		-65, -75, +75 kg

The Organizer reserves the right to merge categories if competitor numbers fall below 4 (four).



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1.5. **Compulsory safety equipment.**

Coaches must ensure that the participants have all Taekwon-do ITF sparring protective equipment:

- **Gloves.** Open palm gloves possible to use only for Cadet (11-13 y.) but all Age groups use boxing gloves ITF standard (10 oz) in blue and red color. Other colors will not be allowed;
- **Head guards** with close top, blue and red color. Other colors will not be allowed;
- **Foot protectors,** ITF standard safety equipment for sparring can be any neutral color and brand;
- **Shin guards & Mouth guard** are compulsory for all ages;
- **Groin protector** is compulsory only for male for all ages;
- **Chest protector** (inside Dobok) is compulsory only for female from 14 y. old;

2. **The procedure of official protest.**

In case of protest, the official representative of team or coach must:

- a) Immediately after the end of the disputed bout, turn to the Jury president at the table near the ring, and verbally declare the desire to file a protest.
- b) The judge starts time count of 5 minutes, during which the coach writes and submits a protest to the Jury president table together with fee payment of 50 € (euro).
- c) The protest is considered by the Chief of Umpires committee of the competition.

During the consideration of the protest, the competitions on this ring are suspended until a final decision is made. In any case payment does not refundable.

3. **Accommodation.**

- You organize **accommodation by yourself** though www.hotels.com or www.booking.com
We recommended you to make the booking nearest to competitions hall 3-stars Hotel "DoDo", it has very friendly prices and good situated.
- If you need our help with accommodation, so please contact organizing committee by itf.latvia@gmail.com before **20th of October 2025** and we will do our best to help you.

4. **Transfer.**

If you need transfer from AIRPORT or RAILWAY station to the hotel or/and to the stadium, please contact us before Deadline. Cost for transfer **20.00 EUR** per person. Transfer offer include: a meeting at the airport or the Railway station, bus to the hotel and transfer to the airport or Railway station after finish of competitions. For small teams we recommend to use **Bolt** taxi app for 1-4 pers. (cost from Airport to Center near the 10 EUR) or call tel. +(371) 8383 to **RedCub** Taxi (www.redcub.lv) for 6-8 pers. (It will be best price).

5. **Payments.** You can choose one of two kinds how to pay - by **Cash** or **Deposit** to our bank account

5.1. **If you pay by Banking transfer** to organizer Bank account, so payment shall be deposited in following beneficiary's account **no later than 25th October 2025:**

Payment to:	Latvijas Tekvon-do Federacija,
Organization ID Nr.	40008023321
bank name:	SEB Banka,
BIC code (SWIFT):	UNLALV2X
Account:	LV17 UNLA 0050 0115 1551 2

ATTENTION! Please state following information when paying into bank account:

Deposit for AMBER CUP 2025, Name of club (team) and Competitors amount.

This kind of fee is non-refundable!

5.2. **If you Pay by Cash.** The collective payments for all members of your delegation must be paid in cash at the time of team registration on 7th of November 2025. If you need Invoice, please let us know the details **before deadline (07.11.2025).**

6. Penalties

- 6.1. For the change of the weight category or section in the Patterns competition **on registration & weight-in** the penalty for each change in the application is 10.00 EUR
- 6.2. For submission of the final application after the specified deadline or delay of the team for registration - 50.00 EUR

7. Entry forms and Deadlines by the steps:

!!! Please, report us preliminary about your principal decision to participate in our Championship as soon as possible by email itf.latvia@gmail.com

- register your school (club) by this link: <https://data.taekwondo-itf.com/event/31723/9022>
- For those, who need **EU visa (Schengen)**, fill the Entry Form for personal invitation for Visa request (for a personal invitation an additional fee of **25 euros** per person will be charged).
- Download Accommodation form, if you need to order accommodation form organizer

Deadline for visa support is on Tuesday **30th September 2025 at 22:00**

Deadline for Hotel reservation by LOC is on Monday **15th October 2025 at 22:00.**

Deadline for changes for Hotel reservation is on Saturday **20th October 2025 at 22:00.**

Deadline for payments by bank transfer is on Thursday **25th October 2025 at 22:00.**

Deadline for free changes in applications is on Wednesday **1st November 2025 at 22:00**

All forms you can download on web: www.ambercup.lv or on **ITF DB** web. For information, please contact to Master Vyacheslav Semenov, by email: itf.latvia@gmail.com, ph. + (371) 295-100-10.





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PRE-SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
(Possible further changes before start 9:30)

Friday 7th of November, Arrival to Riga (**place of meeting will be announced later**)

16:00 – 19:00 registration for all team members, weight control;

Saturday 8th of November, competitions Day-1, Rigas Sporta Maneza “Arkadia” (Kojusalas str. 9);

08:00 – 09:30 arrival to Competition Area; Registration & weight-in for foreigner delegations

09:00 – 09:30 meeting for Referees;

09:30 - 09:45 meeting for Coaches;

10:00 - 14:00 start of competitions for CADETS U-14 (11-13);

14:00 - 15:00 **Opening ceremony for all Team members** & Awarding for morning part;

15:00 - 18:30 competitions for JUNIORS U-16 (14-15) & U-18 (16-17);

18:30 - 19:00 awarding ceremony for afternoon part;

19:30 – 21:30 meeting of team representatives and coaches

Sunday 9th of November, competitions Day-2, Rigas Sporta Maneza “Arkadia” (Kojusalas str. 9);

08:00 - 08:30 arrival to Competition Area,

09:00 - 15:30 finish of Day 1 competitions for ADULTS U-36 (18-34) & VETERANS U-45 (35-44);

15:30 - 16:00 awarding ceremony Day-2;

16:00 – 16:30 departure from the Hall;

p.s. It is possible that ALL age groups will compete only on Saturday. The exact program will be ready after the application deadline (25.10.2025)