



**2025 World University Games**  
Rhine-Ruhr, Germany

16-27<sup>th</sup> July

**Taekwondo (Kyorugi) Selection Criteria**

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**Introduction**

Student Sport Ireland (SSI) is the sole sanctioning body responsible for identifying, selecting and organising Irish teams and individuals to attend the 2025 FISU World University Games (WUGs). SSI however works closely with World Taekwondo Ireland in the selection of Irish performance student athletes to compete at the WUGs.

All team (staff and students) nominations are ratified by SSI.

**Events**

Kyorugi Competition.	MEN	WOMEN
Individual Events	-54kg	-46kg
	-58kg	-49kg
	-63kg	-53kg
	-68kg	-57kg
	-74kg	-62kg
	-80kg	-67kg
	-87kg	-73kg
	+87kg	+73kg
Team Events	Tag Team (3 athletes)	TagTeam (3 athletes)
	Mixed Tag Team (4 athletes)	

**Participation**

**Sport Specific Restrictions**

In the **Kyorugi competition**, each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 16 athletes (eight men and eight women) as follows:

- Individual events: a maximum of one athlete per weight category
- Team events: a maximum of one male team, one female team and one mixed team

**The Kyorugi team events** will be organised as follows:

- Male and female team competition with 3 athletes per team per gender respectively.
- Mixed team competition with four athletes (two male and two female) per team.

Teams shall be composed of athletes selected within the 16 Kyorugi and 10 Poomsae athletes of each participating delegation in accordance with the following total weight:

- Male: The total weight of the three starting athletes should be 240kg or less.
- Female: The total weight of the three starting athletes should be 200kg or less.
- Mixed: The total weight of the two starting male athletes of each match should be 160kg or less. The total weight of the two starting female athletes of each match should be 135kg or less.

Athletes are not allowed to participate in more than one Kyorugi team competition (that is, if male or female athlete is competing in the male or female team competition, they cannot participate in the mixed team competition to avoid any conflicts or delay).

In the **Poomsae competition**, each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 10 athletes (five men and five women) as follows:

- Individual events: a maximum of one male and one female.
- Team event: a maximum of one team of three athletes per gender and one mixed pair.
- Each athlete shall perform a Recognised Poomsae and a Free Style Poomsae in the Final Round.
- Allocation of Points (finals only): Recognised Poomsae (50%) and Free Style Poomsae (50%).

Each athlete may compete in more than one category of the Poomsae competition. Each athlete may compete in both Kyorugi and Poomsae. All athletes must have a valid WT license. The license must be properly indicated on the Individual Entry Form.

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To be considered for selection student athletes will be required to attain the SSI Taekwondo [Kyorugi] Selection Criteria which mirrors the [Taekwondo Ireland National Team Selection Criteria](#)

### **Supporting Notes**

#### **The competitive element of this selection criteria includes:**

- Individual Competition:  
Nominated Athletes must achieve 2 Consecutive Wins on 2 or more Occasions At ETU 'E' Ranking Events / World Taekwondo 'G' ranking events in the 12 months previous to the tournament [July 2024-July 2025]\*  
  
Exemption 1 - \*One Win and a Medal is considered if the athlete has a bye in the first round due to seeding and their first opponent has won a match previously.
- Team Kyorugi Events  
Nominated athletes must be entered in individual divisions and meet above criteria as per the FISU Requirements.

<b>Qualifying Period</b>	Results must be achieved in the 12 month period prior to the WUGs
<b>Two Fight Victories</b>	All players must have achieved two consecutive fight victories en route to each result achieved. [See exemption 1]
<b>World Taekwondo G Ranked Events</b>	Senior Events As published on the WT Calendar. For athletes transitioning from junior to senior, World Taekwondo Junior events held alongside Senior G ranked events will be accepted.
<b>European Taekwondo E Ranked Events</b>	For athletes transitioning from junior to senior, European Taekwondo E Ranked events will be accepted.
<b>Weight Category</b>	The athlete must have achieved the results in the weight of interest, or one weight above, or one weight below to be considered. In the event of junior results being utilised, they must be in comparable weights.

**Student Selection**

The Head Coach will nominate student(s) who meet the above criteria to SSI for consideration. SSI aided by the selection criteria outlined above and the student nomination forms submitted during the period of registration will review each student nomination individually and ratify her/his nomination as appropriate.

Ultimately the decision of whether a student is selected for participation at the Games rests with SSI.

**Eligibility**

All students being considered to participate at the competition must meet the FISU and SSI Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions as published on the SSI web site: [Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions](#).

**Age:** Students must be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on the 31<sup>st</sup> December of the year of the event.

**Funding:**

- SSI itself will not be in a position to provide any funding to support student athletes participating at the competition
- While ultimately the cost of participation is the responsibility of the student athlete the NGB will provide a minimum contribution of one third of the costs
- The student's college may be in a position to support the student's participation costs. It is advised that athletes under consideration approach their Sports Officer in their college to indicate their interest in participating in the event at the earliest opportunity and to determine if the College may be able to support their participation.