



**SWISS OPEN E2**

ST.GALLEN 2026



**SWISS CHALLENGE**

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**2<sup>nd</sup> SWISS OPEN KYORUGI E2 & Swiss Challenge**  
**4-5 SEPTEMBER 2026 | ST.GALLEN SWITZERLAND**

## **Welcome Message from the President of the Swiss Taekwondo Federation**

Dear Athletes, Coaches, and Taekwondo Fans,

It is my pleasure to **invite** you to the **Swiss Taekwondo Open E2** in St. Gallen on **September 4-5, 2026**.

This year, in close collaboration with the **European Taekwondo Union (ETU)**, we have developed a combined format designed to provide maximum value and mat time for every participant. The event is split into two distinct parts:

### **1. The Official E2 Swiss Open**

The main tournament will run as a standard E2-ranked event, allowing athletes to compete for European Taekwondo (ETU) Ranking points.

### **2. The Swiss Challenge**

A single-elimination tournament open exclusively to athletes eliminated in their first fight at the E2 Swiss Open.

By combining these two events, we ensure that every athlete can compete at least twice. This format increases mat time and makes the trip to St. Gallen more valuable, offering athletes a strong platform to perform, learn, and develop.

To guarantee quality and smooth organization, participation is limited. Registration will follow a first-come, first-served principle, so we encourage you to register early.

On behalf of the Swiss Taekwondo Federation, thank you for your commitment and support. We look forward to welcoming you to St. Gallen.

**Sincerely,**

**Jean-Marie Ayer**

**President Swiss Taekwondo**



## Event Details

<b>Date:</b>	04&05.09.2026
<b>Organizing MNA:</b>	Swiss Taekwondo
<b>Organizer:</b>	Taekwondo St. Gallen
<b>Sanctioned By:</b>	World Taekwondo (WT)
<b>Ranking Status:</b>	E2
<b>Venue:</b>	Athletik Zentrum St. Gallen, Parkstrasse 2, 9000 St. Gallen ( <a href="#">google maps link</a> )

### Website:



[www.taekwondo.ch](http://www.taekwondo.ch)

### Instagram:



[www.instagram.com/swiss\\_open\\_st.gallen](https://www.instagram.com/swiss_open_st.gallen)

### WhatsApp Group:



[chat.whatsapp.com](https://chat.whatsapp.com)

## Eligibility

<b>Method of Competition:</b>	Competition will be WT Rules. Single elimination tournament.
<b>Seeding:</b>	Cadets & Juniors will be seeded according to the August 2026 ETU ranking list.
<b>WT Global License:</b>	
Athletes:	Must have a valid 2026 WT Global Athlete License to participate in this event.
Coaches:	Must have a valid 2026 WT Global Coach License.

## Age and Weight Categories (in kg)

Junior 2009-2011	Male	-45 -48 -51 -55 -59 -63 -68 -73 -78 +78
	Female	-42 -44 -46 -49 -52 -55 -59 -63 -68 +68
Cadet 2012-2014	Male	-33 -37 -41 -45 -49 -53 -57 -61 -65 +65
	Female	-29 -33 -37 -41 -44 -47 -51 -55 -59 +59

### Competition Format

**System:** Single-elimination K.O. system, Best-of-Three

**Match Duration:** Cadets & Juniors 3 x 1.5 min with 1min break

**PSS System:** DAEDO GEN-3

### Weigh-in

Weigh-in of the contestants shall be completed the day before their scheduled competition.

Each athlete can only use one timeslot for the weigh in. Each timeslot is 2 hours long. It is not necessary to book a timeslot for the weigh in.

Weigh in period could be extended or adjusted by WT TD decision accordingly.

In case of a change of the weight category a fine of 50 CHF / 50 EUR must be paid at the weigh-in in cash.

Random weigh-in will be published on [Martial Events](#) and in WhatsApp Channel. Athletes are required to be on time. If they miss the Random weigh-in, they are disqualified.

During the weigh-in, cadets and junior athletes cannot be nude. Male contestants shall wear underpants, and female contestants shall wear underpants and brassieres.

### Drawing of Lots

Drawing of lots of sessions shall be conducted one (1) day prior to the start of the championships and it will be published on [Martial Events](#) and in WhatsApp Group.

## **International Referees**

*NOTICE: Any IR that wants to apply to officiate the Swiss Open shall fill this form.*

### [Swiss Open 2026 – Referees Application](#)

The deadline for applying is **30.04.2026**



The Organizer will select the IR from the ones that applied. An official invitation will be sent on the 10.05.2026 to those selected.

**Please note, that you are applying for the Swiss Open G1/Para and E2.**

The following conditions shall apply for the appointed referees:

- International Referees are required to pay for their own round-trip airfares.
- The referee may arrive one day before and may leave the day after the competition.
- The Organizing Committee shall pay the expenses of room and board for the duration of the competition. The OC will also cover the board accommodation of the night before and the first meal after the tournament.
- The Organizing Committee shall pay a per diem of 150€ to the selected International Referees for each working day. Appointed referees for the weigh-in held on Friday shall arrive on time for that duty and will receive an extra 75€ per diem.
- The OC will facilitate local transportation between the airport and the designated hotel.
- The OC will also cover the board accommodation of the night before and the first meal after the tournament.

If you have any questions, you may reach out to Miss Isaia Theodoridou by email [referee@swiss-tkd-open.ch](mailto:referee@swiss-tkd-open.ch).

## Classification of Results

Medals will be awarded to the top four athletes in the respective classifications and weight divisions of the pertinent championships:

The medals will be given immediately after the end of the fights. All fights will take place according to a predetermined schedule.

1st PLACE: GOLD MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

2nd PLACE: SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

3rd PLACE: BRONZE MEDAL & CERTIFICATE

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## Registration and Fees

**Registration Platform:** [worldtkd.simplycompete.com](http://worldtkd.simplycompete.com)

**Registration Deadline:** Regular fee            01.03.2026 - 31.07.2026

**Entry Fees:** 175 CHF (including Swiss Challenge)

**Registration limit:** Only 320 places available per competition day (Cadets & Juniors). **Registration is confirmed upon receipt of payment and will close once the limit is reached.**

**Payment:** Registration via the GMS system is only confirmed and valid after payment has been received. Unpaid registrations will not be accepted. Please note that these **entry fees are non-refundable.**

**Payment Method:** Taekwondo St. Gallen  
Bleikenstrasse 17  
9630 Wattwil  
IBAN: CH92 8080 8004 9663 8671 1  
IID (BC-Nr.): 80808  
SWIFT-BIC: RAIFCH22

The payment must be in CHF and including the transaction fees.

Please also include the name of the team with the payment.

## **Accreditation**

Every official national team can register:

- Coach x 1 for every 4 competitors (For the first 4 athletes, 2 coaches can register)
- Official doctor x 1
- Welfare officer x 1
- MNA official x 1

Every club team can register:

- Coach x 1 for every 4 competitors (For the first 4 athletes, 2 coaches can register)
- Welfare officer x 1

Extra passes can be purchased for CHF 50 for each individual and must be registered in advance.

For media accreditation please send us a request including:

Full Name  
Country / Team

## **Visa Assistance**

Participants requiring a visa to enter Switzerland are encouraged to contact us for an official invitation letter. Please provide the following details:

Full Name  
Date of Birth  
Passport Number  
Role (Athlete/Coach/Official)

Visa processing times may vary; please apply as early as possible.

## Schedule

### Day 1: Thursday September 3<sup>rd</sup> of September

- 14:00 – 19:00 Athlete registration and accreditation Cadets, Juniors & Seniors  
14:00 – 16:00 1<sup>st</sup> timeslot Weigh-in **Cadets only**  
17:00 – 19:00 2<sup>nd</sup> timeslot Weigh-in **Cadets only**

### Day 2: Friday September 4<sup>th</sup> of September

- 06:30 Publish of list for Random Weigh-in published on [Martial Events](#)  
08:00 Random Weigh-in Cadets  
09:00 **Start Competition Cadets Swiss Open E2**  
09:00 – 16:00 Athlete registration and accreditation Juniors & Seniors  
11:00 – 13:00 1<sup>st</sup> timeslot Weigh-in Juniors  
12:00 – 13:00 Lunchbreak  
13:00 **Start Competition Cadets Swiss Challenge (Page 9)**  
14:00 – 16:00 2<sup>nd</sup> timeslot Weigh-in Juniors  
18:00 End of Competition Cadets

### Day 3: Saturday September 5<sup>th</sup> of September

- 06:30 Publish of list for Random Weigh-in published on [Martial Events](#)  
08:00 Random Weigh-in Juniors  
09:00 **Start Competition Juniors Swiss Open E2**  
09:00 – 16:00 Athlete registration and accreditation Seniors  
11:00 – 13:00 1<sup>st</sup> timeslot Weigh-in Seniors  
12:00 – 13:00 Lunchbreak  
13:00 **Start Competition Juniors Swiss Challenge (Page 9)**  
14:00 – 16:00 2<sup>nd</sup> timeslot Weigh-in Seniors  
18:00 End of Competition Juniors

**Important: Each athlete can only use one time slot for the weigh in.**

Please note that there may be changes. The organizing committee will make every effort to keep to the schedule.

# Swiss Challenge

## **ONE REGISTRATION – TWO CHANCES!**

Introducing the Swiss Challenge – Only at the Swiss Open!

### **For Cadets & Juniors**

- Lost your first fight? Don't pack your bag just yet!
- You're automatically in – the Swiss Challenge gives you a **SECOND** chance to compete and gain more experience!
- More Fights – Get back on the mat and keep competing
- More Experience – Every fight makes you stronger
- No extra cost
- Automatic registration & weigh-in through Swiss Open

### **Pilot Project at Swiss Open 2026**

**Be part of taekwondo history and make the most of every match!**

### **Classification of Results of Swiss Challenge**

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## Liability and Insurance

All participants enter the competition at their own risk. The organizing committee and affiliated organizations will not be responsible for any injuries, damages, or losses incurred during the event. Each participant is required to have their own medical insurance.

## Contact Information

For further inquiries, please contact:

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**Phone:** +41 79 694 10 35

We look forward to welcoming you to St. Gallen for an unforgettable event filled with excellence, camaraderie, and fair play. Let's celebrate the spirit of Taekwondo together!

**Sincerely,**

Organisation Committee Swiss Open 2026