

A promotional banner for the Pan Am Open Poomsae Championships. It features a central image of a male taekwondo athlete in a white uniform, shouting with his arms raised in a celebratory gesture. The background is a gradient of red and blue. Text is overlaid on the image in white and black.

**Pan Am Open Poomsae  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Online Live Event

**SEPTEMBER  
19-20**

Win Wild Cards for  
"2020 Pan Am Official Poomsae Championships"  
Online Live Event

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AMERICAN ATHLETES ONLY**

**~INFORMATION PACKET~**

## INTRODUCTION

This outline is designed to be used as a guideline for the coaches and athletes in this WTPA Live Virtual Championship. You will find information regarding the general competition (schedule, participation categories, platform) as well as the technical requirements for participation (Hardware, Software, Internet, etc.).

The performances are to be executed from the athlete's location (taekwondo school, house or preferred stage), ensuring an optimal environment for their digital visualization.

This tournament will be held on Zoom with live Facebook and YouTube streaming (link to be posted at [www.mastkd.com](http://www.mastkd.com)) for spectators. Information regarding registration, competition rules and format can be found within this packet. For general questions from coaches or athletes, please contact us by the following WhatsApp chat link:

- <https://chat.whatsapp.com/JsZQevWSW003ejMT0ns2H9>

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020**

TIME	EVENT
<b>7:30 P.M. (EDT)</b>	<p><b>Technical Meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Organizing Committee and Referee Chairman will go over all the rules and procedures for this event.</li> <li>● Q&amp;A session for coaches.</li> <li>● Zoom link:</li> </ul> <p>Tema: PANAM OPEN POOMSAE CHAMPIONSHIPS/TECHNICAL MEETING            Hora: 18 Sep 2020 07:00 PM (EDT)            Unirse a la reunion Zoom:</p> <p><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82282478927?pwd=TzUxRDBtSmU3S2wxb111UC8yMUftZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82282478927?pwd=TzUxRDBtSmU3S2wxb111UC8yMUftZz09</a></p> <p>ID de reunión: 822 8247 8927            Código de acceso: 464475            Móvil con un toque            +13126266799,,82282478927#,,,,,0#,,464475# Estados Unidos de América (Chicago)            +19294362866,,82282478927#,,,,,0#,,464475# Estados Unidos de América (New York)</p> <p>Marcar según su ubicación</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+1 312 626 6799 Estados Unidos de América (Chicago)</li> <li>+1 929 436 2866 Estados Unidos de América (New York)</li> <li>+1 301 715 8592 Estados Unidos de América (Germantown)</li> <li>+1 346 248 7799 Estados Unidos de América (Houston)</li> <li>+1 669 900 6833 Estados Unidos de América (San Jose)</li> <li>+1 253 215 8782 Estados Unidos de América (Tacoma)</li> </ul> <p>ID de reunión: 822 8247 8927            Código de acceso: 464475            Encuentre su número local: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82282478927?pwd=TzUxRDBtSmU3S2wxb111UC8yMUftZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82282478927?pwd=TzUxRDBtSmU3S2wxb111UC8yMUftZz09</a></p>

**PLEASE NOTE THAT TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK THE COACH WHATSAPP CHAT, WCOMPETITION OR MASTKD WEBSITE FOR UPDATES**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020**

TIME	EVENT
11:00 A.M. (EDT)	<p><b>Competition Begins</b></p> <p><b>Order of Competition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cadet (Male Ring 1 - Female Ring 2)</li> <li>● Youth 8-9 (Male &amp; Female Ring 3)</li> <li>● Under 30 (Male Ring 1 - Female Ring 2)</li> <li>● Under 40, Under 50, Under 60, Under 65, Over 65 (Ring 3 both male and female)</li> </ul> <p>Report time for <b>Cadets, and Youth 8-9</b> will be 10:00 A.M. (EDT)</p> <p>Report Time for all other divisions will be 40 minutes after completion of the previous division in their respective ring</p>

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**

TIME	EVENT
11:00 A.M. (EDT)	<p><b>Competition Begins</b></p> <p><b>Order of Competition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Junior (Male Ring 1 - Female Ring 2)</li> <li>● Youth 10-11 (Male &amp; Female Ring 3)</li> <li>● Under 40 (Male Ring 1 - Female Ring 2)</li> <li>● Para, Pairs, Teams (Ring 3)</li> </ul> <p>Report time for <b>Juniors, and Youth 10-11</b> will be 10:00 A.M. (EDT)</p> <p>Report Time for all other divisions will be 40 minutes after completion of the previous division in their respective ring</p>

## REGISTRATION

### REGISTRATION

All registration for all athletes must be done online through the WT GMS system:

[worldtkd.simplycompete.com](http://worldtkd.simplycompete.com)

- Competitors must hold a passport or birth certificate of the country they will represent. Documents, and Inspection will be verified before the start of the each division.

### COST

- The registration fee for all athletes competing in this tournament is \$100.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> event
- Each additional division is \$75.

**REGISTRATIONS FEES ARE IN U.S. DOLLARS, NON-REFUNDABLE with NO EXCPTIONS**

### DEADLINE

- All athletes must register by **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020, 12:00 P.M. (EDT)** in order to compete in this event.

## DOBOK REQUIREMENTS

### WT POOMSAE GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED

**Youth Division (Ages 8-9 and 10-11):** May wear same dobok as the cadets or a Black V-Neck.

- **Must wear a poom belt (red/black) - Solid black belt not allowed.**

**Cadet Division (Ages 12-14):** White top with red and black collar, plus blue pants for males and red pants for females.

- **Must wear a poom belt (red/black) - Solid black belt not allowed.**



**Junior & Senior Divisions (Ages 15-50):** White top with dark blue pants for males and light blue pants for females.



**Master Divisions (Ages 51 & up):** Yellow top and dark blue pants for both males and females.



Anything not following the WT guideline will result in a **0.6 deduction** from the final score.

**Inspection of all athletes will be done before each competitor competes. No ear pieces or taping of the wrist allowed.**

## **COMPETITION METHOD & DESIGNATED POOMSAE**

### **COMPETITION METHOD:**

- **Ages 8-9 & 10-11 (Youth), Ages 12-14 (Cadets), Ages 15-17 (Juniors), Under 50, Under 60, Under 65 & Over 65, Pairs & Teams will be using Cut-Off format**
  - Athletes will perform 1 poomsae for the Preliminary (20+) and Semi-Final (9-19) rounds
  - Athletes will perform 2 poomsae in the Final Round (1-8)
- **Ages Under 30 & Under 40 will be using Single Elimination format**
  - Athletes will perform 2 poomsae each round
- **Para athletes will be using Single Elimination format**
  - Athletes will perform 2 poomsae each round
  - P20 will choose their poomsae
  - P30 poomsae will be designated

### **DESIGNATED POOMSAE AND ORDER OF COMPETITION:**

- Will be announced on **Friday, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020** on the following websites:
  - [www.mastkd.com](http://www.mastkd.com)
  - [www.wcompetition.com](http://www.wcompetition.com)

### **AWARDS:**

- The top eight athletes of each division (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>.... etc.) will receive an award certificate. This certificate will be sent by email.



## Poomsae Divisions

Organizing committee has the right to change, modify and make official decisions without prior notices.

Individual Divisions	Compulsory Poomsae
<b>YOUTH</b> 8 to 9 & 10 to 11 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
<b>CADET</b> 12 Years to 14 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
<b>JUNIOR</b> 15 Years to 17 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek
<b>UNDER 30</b> 18 Years to 30 Years (G2)	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin
<b>UNDER 40</b> 31 Years to 40 Years (G2)	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin
<b>UNDER 50</b> 41 Years to 50 Years	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon
<b>UNDER 60</b> 51 Years to 60 Years	Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu
<b>UNDER 65</b> 61 Years to 65 Years	Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu
<b>OVER 65</b> 66+ Years Old	Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon, Hansu
Pair Divisions (Co-ed)	Compulsory Poomsae
<b>YOUTH PAIR</b> 8 to 9, and 10 to 11 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo
<b>CADET PAIR</b> 12 Years to 14 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
<b>JUNIOR PAIR</b> 15 Years to 17 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek
<b>UNDER 30 PAIR</b> 18 Years to 30 Years	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin
<b>OVER 30 PAIR</b> 31+ Years Old	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon
Team Divisions	Compulsory Poomsae
<b>YOUTH TEAM</b> 8 to 9, and 10 to 11 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo
<b>CADET TEAM</b> 12 Years to 14 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang
<b>JUNIOR TEAM</b> 15 Years to 17 Years	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek
<b>UNDER 30 TEAM</b> 18 Years to 30 Years	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin
<b>OVER 30 TEAM</b> 31+ Years Old	Taegeuk 8 Jang, Koryo, Keumgang, Taebaek, Pyongwon, Shipjin, Jitae, Chonkwon

## COACH PROCEDURES

### COACH PROCEDURES:

- Coaches must be added to the WhatsApp group of the event in order to receive information and guidance in the process of the competition. This will also allow you to reach the tournament committee with any complaints or issues regarding your athlete. Please find the link below:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/JsZQevWSW003ejMT0ns2H9>

- Before the start of the competition, the coaches and assistant coaches are responsible to add athletes to the WhatsApp group for the event in order to receive information and guidance in the process of the competition.
- Coaches are NOT allowed to enter the zoom competition area to watch their athletes compete. However, if you have multiple students competing at your school, and your students will be using your zoom account, you will be allowed in. You must name your zoom account with the students' ID numbers that will be assigned to each athlete.

- Example: 8/12/42/65/2/32

This will allow the Ring Coordinator to find your athlete and spotlight them for their performance.



## WILD CARD

### WILD CARD QUALIFICATION:

- **The top 8 finalist in each poomsae division will receive a Wild Card invitation to the WT Live Virtual Poomsae Championship to be held in October**
  - Each country can only receive 1 wild card per division.
  - If there is a tie among the same country for the wild card in the same division, the competitor with higher presentation will win the wild card. If there is still a tie, all scores (accuracy and presentation) from all 5 referees will be totaled and the competitor with the higher total points will win.

## TECHNICAL AND SPACE REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Technical requirements for participation:

#### A. Hardware:

- HD 1080px 30fps camera, PC or laptop core i5, 1.8MHz or equivalent with microphone
- 3 - 5Mbps upload Internet connection
- If the streaming is done via smartphone, tablet or laptop, you must ensure that the camera is HD 1080px 30fps.

#### B. Highly recommended to be connected directly to a router using an ethernet cable.

#### C. Software:

- Zoom, any web browser (i.e., Google Chrome, Internet Explorer, etc.) and WhatsApp.

#### D. Physical Scenery:

- **Verify the athlete has enough space for the Poomsae to be executed as well as no obstacles in the performance area.**
  - If the athlete takes an extra step due to the above, this will result in 0.3 major deduction for each additional step.
- **Ensure that nothing interferes with the camera view during the performance other than the competitor (e.g. pets, other persons, objects, etc.).**
  - If the athlete is asked to restart his performance due to the above, this will result in 0.6 deduction from accuracy.

E. **Room Lighting:**

- **Avoid backlighting**
  - No lights behind the athlete – only from the top
- **The lighting shall be a minimum of 500 lux to a maximum of 1200 lux**
  - If the judges are unable to see the competitor's hand and/or feet motion due to the above, this will result in 0.3 major deduction for each hand and/or feet movement.

F. **Streaming:**

- **The camera must be in a horizontal position**
  - Vertical position is not allowed.
- **The camera must be positioned DIRECTLY IN FRONT of the athlete**
  - Camera may not be positioned to the side, above, or behind the athlete.
- **Camera must remain in same position for the duration of the performance (not permitted to zoom in and out or pan left to right).**
  - Will result in a restart and a 0.6 deduction from accuracy.
- **The camera should be positioned 1.5 to 1.8 meters high from the ground**
- **Check that your camera is not set to stream in mirror image**
- **Please make sure that all other streaming devices are shut off during your performance**
  - This will improve your video streaming quality and reduce disturbances and distractions.

- **The poomsae needs to be started far enough from the camera that the athlete does not step out of the camera's view; however, not too far from the athlete given the details of the performance may be lost**
  - Each hand and/or feet movement which cannot be seen by the judges will result in a 0.3 major deduction. This responsibility falls solely on the athlete.
- **At the end of the athlete's performance, each competitor must turn off his/her microphone and camera**

G. **Backgrounds & Props:**

- **No virtual backgrounds**
- **No religious or political displays**
- **Only NOC flags are permitted to be displayed**

H. **Athlete Support:**

- **There should be a support person to help the athlete with the live streaming process**
  - For example - turning on and off the microphone, adjusting camera, etc. This person can be the assistant or coach.
- **Check on WCompetition.com or MasTKD.com the participation schedule information, division information, performance order and poomsae selection.**
- **It is highly recommended that the athlete check their system before the competition to ensure that the technical requirements and hardware working properly.**
  - Please check the last page for Zoom instructions

## COMPETITION DAY

### 2. Competition day procedures:

#### A. Check in:

- **1 hour** before the competition, the athletes must be ready for their performance in Zoom in their respective division.
- If the athlete is not in the Zoom waiting room **15 minutes** before the start of the division (**start time of the division not their poomsae start time**), he or she will be automatically disqualified.
- **To be allowed in to the competition area, each athlete must have their Zoom account identified with their competition ID # to be admitted.**
  - Many athletes use equipment from coaches, etc., so they need to rename their account before entering the competition or they will not be admitted into the competition area.
  - If multiple athletes are using the same account, you must list all of the athletes' competition #'s to enter.

**Example: 8/12/42/65/2/32**

- You must bring your passport, ID card or birth certificate with you to the zoom check in. We will verify you by your documents during the check in process before the start of the competition.
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- B. **Additional information to take into account during the performance:**
- Once you have successfully logged into the video chat room, the athlete will then be moved into the Zoom waiting room. The Ring Coordinator will announce the performance order in your division prior to beginning the division so you may monitor the competition order.
  - You must be at your starting position as soon as it is your time slot for the live streaming.
  - After performing the Poomsae, the athlete shall remain in place until the final score is announced.
- C. **It is the coach and athlete responsibility to check the scoring and ranking within their division to verify if you will proceed into the Semifinal and Final rounds.**
- For this, go to [Wcompetition.com](http://Wcompetition.com) and [MasTKD.com](http://MasTKD.com), where the follow up can be seen in real-time. Athlete's ranking will also be displayed through the zoom account after each performance.
- D. **During the competition live streaming, neither the athlete, the coach, nor any other person shall make any questions, turn on the microphone or similar. The WhatsApp group will be used for that function.**
- E. It is important to remember that during the competition (**not before**), both the microphone and the camera must be activated (for kihap and/or stomp).



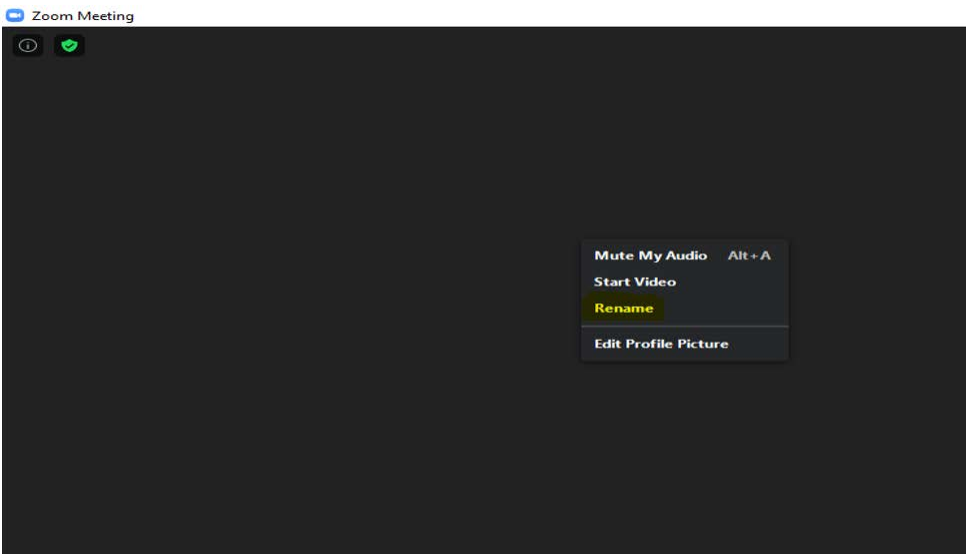
- If the athlete fails to activate the microphone immediately before the Poomsae and the judges are unable to hear the Kihap and/or stomp, this will result in a 0.3 deduction for each missed kihap and each missed stomp.
- F. If an athlete experiences connection issues during a cut-off system round, the athlete must return within 5 minutes and will be permitted to compete at the end of their round (**unless it is the final round - athlete must immediately come back within 5 minutes since the order of the final round is by ranking order 8-1. If athlete does not regain connection within 5 minutes, the athlete will be disqualified**).
- G. If an athlete experiences connection issues during a single-elimination round, then the athlete will be given **5 minutes** to regain connection. If they do not return to the Zoom room within 5 minutes, then the athlete will be disqualified and the other athlete will advance to the next round.

## ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

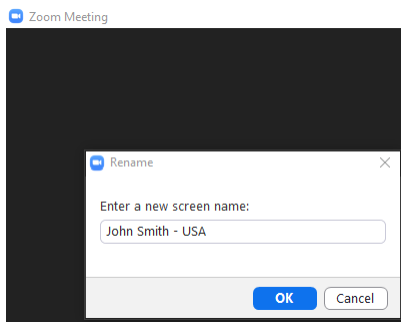
- Once logged in to your Zoom Room, please be sure to change the name on your screen to your full name (eg. John Smith - USA). A guide to how to change your name can be found here:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201363203-Customizing-your-Profile>

Right click anywhere on your Zoom Meeting window, select “rename”

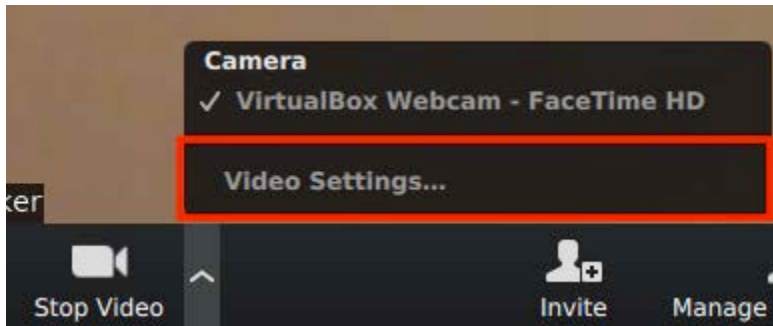


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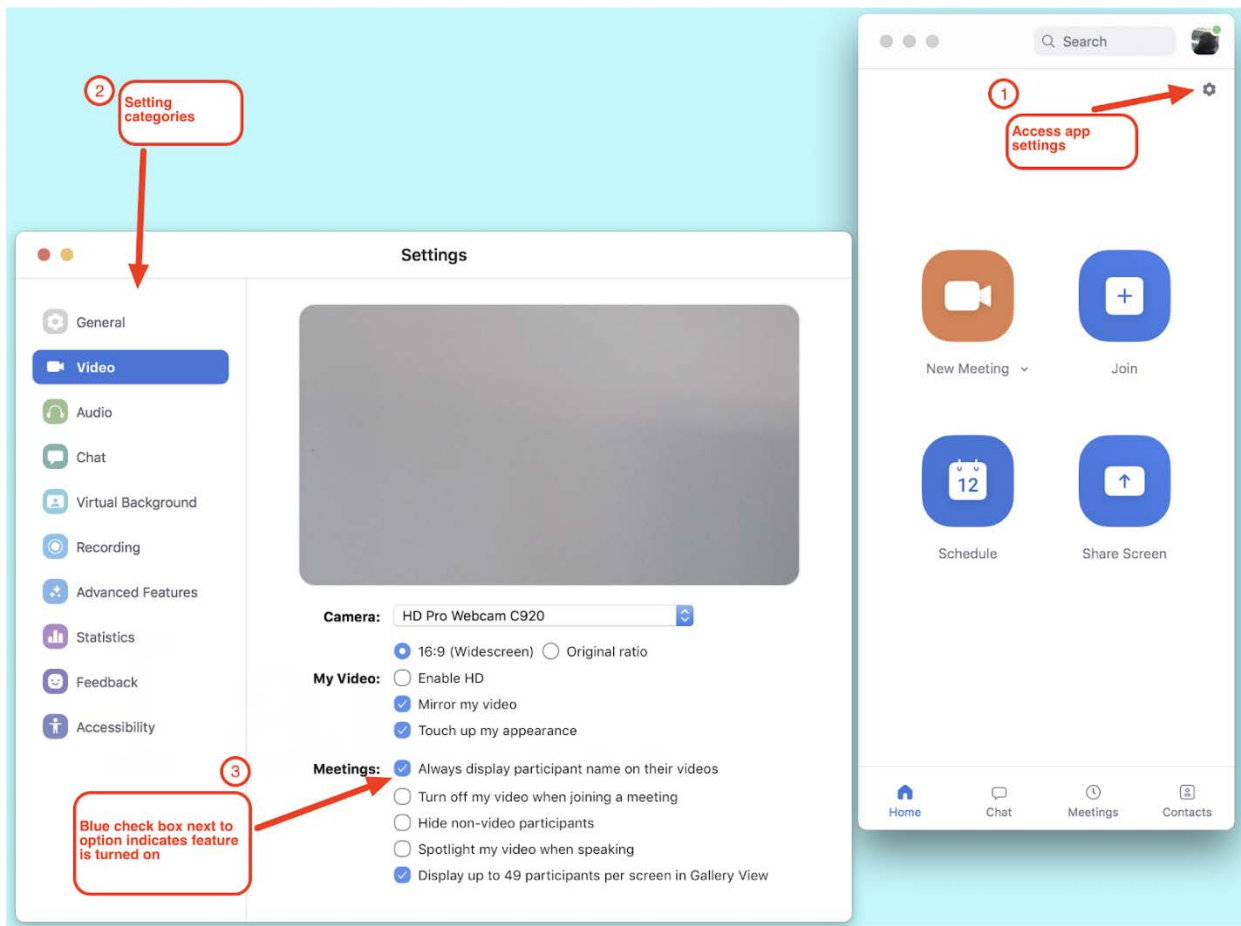


Link for video settings: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/sections/200521865-Video>

Video Settings Shortcut can be found by clicking on the arrow next to Video.



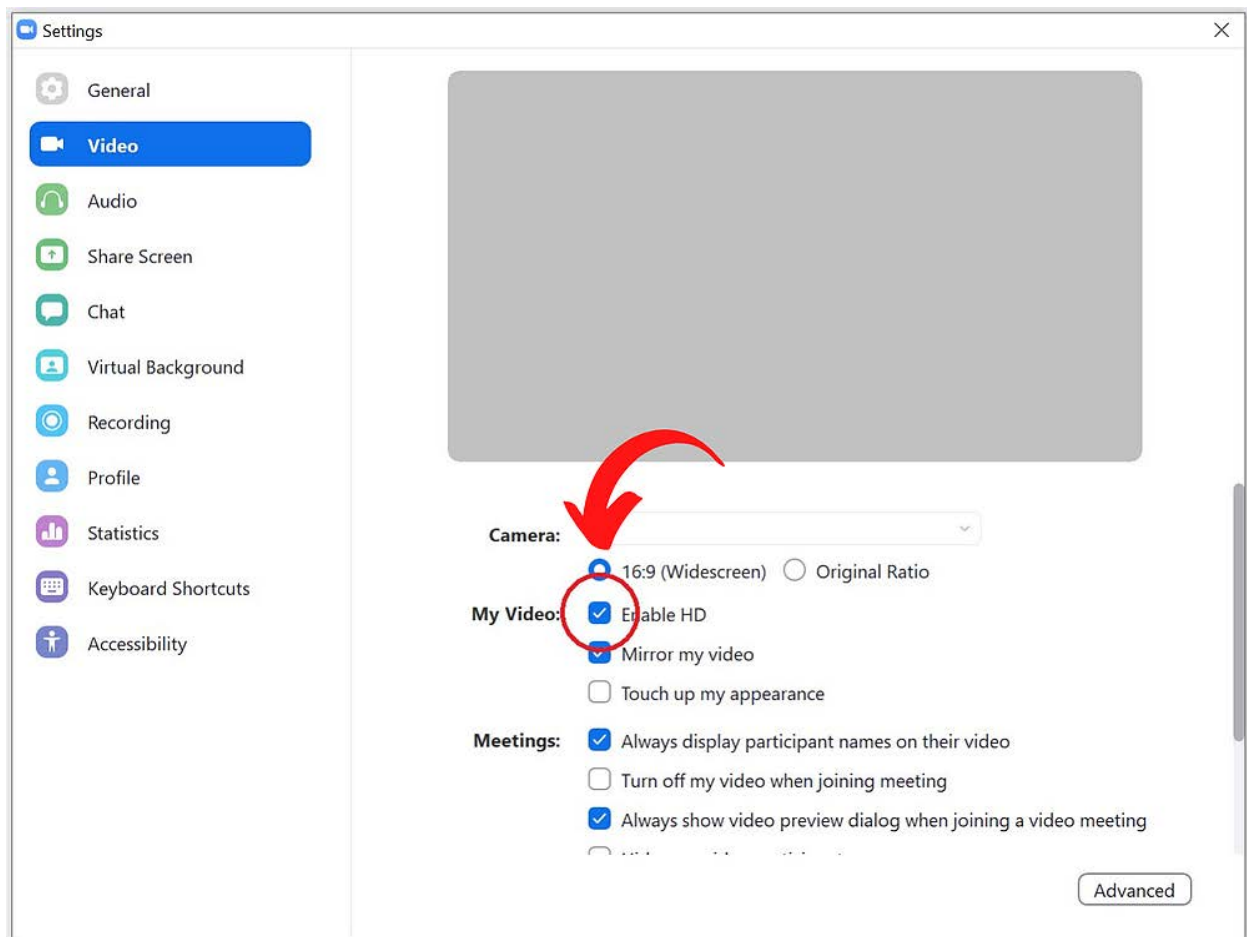
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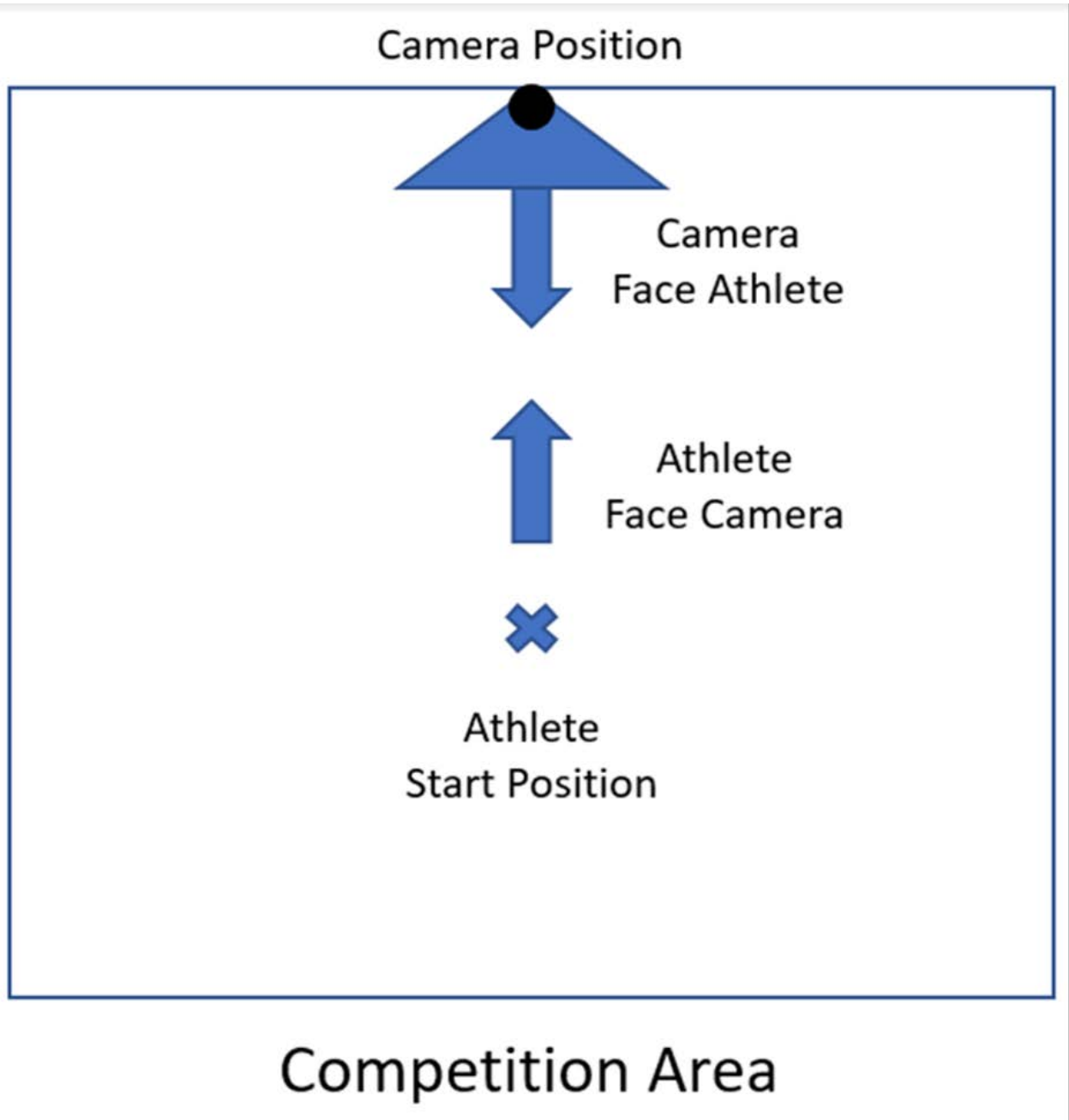


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Six Ways To Instantly Improve Video Quality On Zoom

<https://www.chipcreative.co.uk/post/improve-video-quality-on-zoom>





## POOMSAE DEDUCTIONS

The following will receive a 0.3 major deduction from accuracy:

- If the athlete does not have adequate space to perform the poomsae and takes an extra step to get around any objects in the room, this will result in 0.3 major deduction for each additional step.
- Each hand and/or feet movement which cannot be seen by the judges due to stepping outside the camera's view will result in a 0.3 major deduction
- Each hand and/or feet movement which cannot be seen by the judges due to poor lighting (i.e., backlighting, lighting too bright/dim, etc.) will result in a 0.3 major deduction
- Each stomp and/or kihap which cannot be heard by the judges due to competitor not turning on his microphone before his performance

A 0.3 deduction from the final score will be given for the following:

- Overtime

Any restart due to the following will receive a 0.6 deduction from accuracy:

- Performing incorrect poomsae
- Object, person or pet coming into the field of play while executing poomsae
- Someone moving the camera during the performance to capture the athlete (left/right or zoom in/out).

A 0.6 deduction from the final score will be given for the following:

- Wearing incorrect dobok
- Wearing incorrect belt
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There will be no deduction for a restart due to being disconnected from the internet and having to rejoin the competition. However, if athlete is disconnected a 2<sup>nd</sup> time, this will result in a DQ.

# LIABILITY WAIVER

ALL Participants must PRINT & SIGN THIS WAIVER (signed by Parent or Legal Guardian if under 18 Years) and email back to WTPA.

Signed Liability Waiver must be received **NO LATER** than September 9, 2020.

**PLEASE EMAIL EXECUTED LIABILITY WAIVER TO [EEY314@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EEY314@GMAIL.COM)**

## **CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPATION WAIVER**

### **World Taekwondo Pan America**

#### **COMPETITOR WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND PARENTAL CONSENT AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

In consideration of your acceptance of my entry for the 2020 WTPA Live Virtual Poomsae Championship to be held on September 12-13, 2020, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators waive, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages, including bodily injury which I may have or which may occur to me against the referees, medical staff and all members of this championships or their respective officers, representatives, successors, volunteers, sponsors and/or assigns and against any competitor for any and all damages which may be sustained by me in connection with my associates with or entry into this championship event, or which may arise out of traveling to, participating in and returning from this tournament event. Therefore, any type of lawsuit or legal action will be my responsibility in all risks and economical means, including attorney fees, damages or responsibilities, caused by legal actions.

I am not entering this competition in reliance or any written or oral representation by the World Taekwondo Pan Am (WTPA) and World Taekwondo regarding the application rules and qualification of the judges and referees. I am in good health and physical condition to participate in this tournament. **I fully understand that my entry fee is non-refundable.** I consent that any picture furnished by me or any pictures taken of me in connection with the championships can be used for publicity, promotion or television showing, and I waive all compensation in regard thereto. I understand that martial arts is a physical sport, and I further understand all the contents of the rules and general information which was published by the organizing committee, and I agree to them in their entirety.

- I understand the nature of the 2020 WTPA Live Virtual Poomsae Championship activities and believe that my experience and capabilities, or that the minor child, to be qualified to participate these events which are to be held virtually. I UNDERSTAND THAT WORLD TAEKWODO PAN AM (WTPA) AND WORLD TAEKWODO TOURNAMENT ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING **PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH.** These risks and dangers may be caused by me or the minor child's own action, or inaction, and/or the actions or inactions of others participating in the championship.
- I have read this agreement, fully understand its terms. I understand that I or the minor child have given up substantial rights by signing it, and have signed it freely and without inducement or assurance of any nature, and understand it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by the law. I also agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid that the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

_____	_____	____/____/____
Athlete's Name	Signature	Date

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Guardian's Name for Minors	Signature	Date