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WORLD KARATE CONFEDERATION

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To all
WKC member federations

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Dear Mr. President,

The Organising Committee (OC) of the 5th TAFISA Games has extended the registration deadline for the Games until 1st May 2012. The *Open WKC World Championships* (for adults) and the *8th WKC Junior & Cadet World Championships* and the *World Cup for Children* will be held under auspices of the 5th TAFISA Games.

All federations wishing to participate at the WKC event from 5th to 8th July 2012 in Šiauliai, Lithuania, should **register** their participants with the **Šiauliai OC** no later than **1st May 2012**. Please check the webpage of the Šiauliai OC www.siauliai2012.lt Click on the button "Championships" on the left side of the opening page and then on the button "[WKC karate championships, Tennis School, Gardino str. 8, Šiauliai](#)".

Federations requiring a Schengen visa for their members should contact the person in charge of the Šiauliai OC, Mr. Mindaugas Bezaras m.bezaras@siauliai.lt

Please send a copy of all your communications with the Šiauliai OC to the WKC Office wkc.office@gmx.net Only then we may be able to help you in any case of difficulties.

The **registration deadline** of the karate participants with the **WKC** is the **1st June 2012**. The WKC registration form is already online on the WKC webpage www.wkc-org.net

Venue:

The Karate Championships, the individual registration including the weigh-in (for Sanbon kumite only) of all karate competitors and officials, the referee and coach seminar as well as the WKC Meeting will be held at the *Tennis Court, Gardino gatve 8, Šiauliai*.

Categories and age groups:

For all categories and age groups please check the WKC webpage.

Referees and Judges:

All federations participating at the WKC Championships have to bring at least one referee or judge. If they participate with more than 10 competitors they must bring two judges or referees, with more than 20 competitors three referees or judges.

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Referee and Coach Seminar:

On Thursday, 5th July 2012 will be the referee and coach seminar from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Tennis Court, Gardino gatve 8. The seminar is mandatory for all referees, judges and coaches who want to officiate at the Championships. With no participation there will be no access to the competition area. There will be a strict security check by the Šiauliai OC

Participation fees:

WKC member federations pay the usual participation fees for their competitors: for all individual categories 35 €, for all team categories 70 €. NonWKC members pay 50 € for individual categories and 100 € for teams.

WKC Meeting:

The WKC Meeting of the presidents of the member federations with the WKC Presidential Board will be held on Wednesday, 4th July 2012 at 8 p.m. at the Tennis Court.

Personal registration:

All participants of the Karate Championships will be registered on *Wednesday, 4th July 2012, from 5 to 8 p.m.* and on *Thursday, 5th July 2012 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.* Shobu Sanbon kumite competitors must show up in person for the weigh-in. The coach or president of the team must bring the passports or ID cards of all their competitors for the check of the age and gender of the athletes.

Draft Program:

The competition starts on Thursday, 5th July 2012, with all children categories. All Junior and Cadet Categories will begin on Friday, 6th July and the Senior Categories on Saturday, 7th July. After the deadline for the WKC registration on 1st June 2012 we will give you a more precise timetable for the Championships.

9th WKC World Championships 2013:

The 9th WKC World Championships will be organised by the Karate Alliance Australia in May 2013 in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

We wish all teams a good preparation for the upcoming big event in Lithuania.

Sincerely yours

WKC Executive Committee

