

# Greater Hartford International Chinese Martial Arts Tournament

## Regulations 2009

**1. Time and Location:** Saturday, May 9, 2009 – South Windsor, Connecticut USA  
(Timothy Edwards

Middle School Gymnasium)

**2. Main Sponsor:** Shaolin Wushu Center.

**3. Other Sponsors:** Foundation for American and Chinese Cultural Exchange (FACCE),  
Zhejiang

Wushu Association.

**4. Competition Program:**

(1) International regulation events, (2) Elective events, (3) Elementary events, (4)  
Traditional

open hand, (5) Traditional weapons, (6) Forms of taiji, xingyi, bagua, other internal  
(7) Group forms (appropriate music compulsory).

**5. Time Limits for Events:**

- 1) International regulation events and elective events should be in accordance with wushu competition regulations.
- 2) Elementary events, traditional skills and weapons events, and pair events must not exceed 2 minutes.
- 3) Internal forms and weapons must not be less than 2 ½ minutes and must not exceed 3 minutes.
- 4) Group forms must have 6 or more people and must not exceed 3 ½ minutes.

**6. Invited countries and regions:**

France, Germany, Singapore, Japan, South Africa, England, Holland, Italy, Canada,  
Brazil,

China, Hong Kong, The United States, and other country's and region's wushu teams  
and  
organizations.

**7. Regulations for Participation:**

- 1) The wushu teams, organizations and individuals of each country or region can form a team to participate.
- 2) All teams can have 1 manager and 1-2 coaches. There is no restriction for the number of male or female athletes.
- 3) Each person can perform 2 events (including pairs and group events). For each additional solo event please add \$20 (U.S. Dollars) to the registration fee. For

additional group events please add \$15 (U.S. Dollars) for each person to the registration fee.

- 4) The registration fee is \$65 per person (U.S. Dollars) if postmarked by April 1. After April 1, the registration fee is \$75. Food and accommodations are the responsibility of the participant.

## **8. Competition Rules:**

- 1) This tournament will include individual events and group events.
- 2) This tournament will use the wushu competition regulations supported by the International Wushu Union.
- 3) Competitor age divisions.  
Division A: 8 or under (born before 2001)  
Division B: 9 – 12 (born after 1/1/1997)  
Division C: 13 – 17 (born 1992 - 1996)  
Division D: 18 – 35 (born 1974 - 1991)  
Division E: 36 – 45 (born 1964 - 1973)  
Division F: 46 – 60 (born after 1948)  
Division G: 60+ (born before 1948) – beginner, intermediate, advanced combined
- 4) Beginners may register to compete in intermediate and advanced divisions. Intermediate level competitors may register to compete in advanced divisions.
- 5) Only competitors registered as advanced may compete for Grand Championship.
- 6) Only the top six winners in the advanced divisions may compete for Grand Championship.
- 7) All competitors must wear wushu uniforms when they compete. There are no restrictions on the fabrics, colors, or styles of the uniform; however your uniform must reflect the characteristics of your nationality, sport's epoch and the event itself.
- 8) Competitors are responsible for providing their own uniforms and weapons. If competitors do not have their own equipment it is available for purchase.

## **9. Placing and Awards**

- 1) **Solo Events:** For each event in the age 5 – 12 categories, the top six competitors will receive medals. For each event in all other age categories, the top three competitors will receive medals.
- 2) **Group Events:** For each event, each member in the top three groups will receive medals.
- 3) **Combat Forms:** Adult men and women will compete in the same division. Boys and girls will compete in the same category. Combat form groups can have both male and female competitors.
- 4) **Grand Championship:** Awards will be given out only if there are at least 5

competitors in the category. Each Grand Champion individual and group will receive \$500 (U.S. Dollars) and a trophy for the following categories:

- a) Men's Contemporary Advanced Adult Gongfu (1 open hand form, 1 short weapon form, 1 long weapon form, 1 hand or weapon form)
- b) Women's Contemporary Advanced Adult Gongfu (1 open hand form, 1 short weapon form, 1 long weapon form, 1 hand or weapon form)
- c) Men's Traditional Advanced Adult Gongfu (2 open hand form and 2 traditional weapons forms)
- d) Women's Traditional Advanced Adult Gongfu (2 open hand form and 2 traditional weapons forms)
- e) Men's Internal (2 open hand forms, 2 weapon forms)
- f) Women's Internal (2 open hand forms, 2 weapon forms)
- g) Group (1 form)

## **10. Registration**

- 1) Registration must be made in advance. The registration form must be a standard form where the gender, age group, event number and event name are all filled in clearly. For international standard events, elective events and elementary events only the event number needs to be filled in. For all other events the event number and also the event name must be written. Any performance partners in pair events or group events must be registered clearly. Registration forms and international money order or bank check must be postmarked to the Foundation for American and Chinese Cultural Exchange (FACCE) by April 20, 2009. The registration form and the registration fee must be sent together otherwise the registration is void.
- 2) Registration cannot be changed. If because of special circumstances you apply to change or add an event it must be in writing and you must pay a processing fee. For each change or addition of an event the processing fee is \$25 (U.S. Dollars).
- 3) Please send registrations and any other correspondence to the following address:  
Shaolin Wushu Center  
1735 Ellington Road  
South Windsor, Connecticut 06074  
USA  
Phone: 860-648-2788  
Email: Shaolin@wushucenter.com  
webmaster@facce.org  
Contact persons: Zong Jianmei, Jim Barnes

## **11. Referees and Arbitration Committee**

- 1) The formation and guidelines set down for arbitration committee members are according to the arbitration committee regulations.

- 2) The general referee, the deputy referee, the referees and the arbitration committee members will be appointed by the organizing committee. Each foreign team can register a referee and each city within a province can register a referee. Travel and accommodation expenses are the referee's own responsibility.

**12. Supplemental notices will be given about things that are not mentioned here.**

If you wish to participate in any travel or sightseeing after the competition is finished please indicate this when you send the registration form.

Note: The cost of this sightseeing or traveling will be the individual's responsibility.