Provincial Point System Policy - Sparring

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Article 1 Purpose

1.1 Point System

1.1.1 These regulations are to fairly, efficiently and effectively administer the Provincial Point System Procedures for Alberta Taekwondo Black Belt Sparring Athletes through competition and training seminars over the course of one competition season.

1.2 Tournaments

1.2.1 The purpose of the Provincial Tournament Procedure is to encourage Alberta Taekwondo athletes to compete regularly in provincial competitions by establishing a ranking order.

Article 2 Administration

2.1 Points System

2.1.1 The ATA Technical Committee will be responsible for the overall administration of the Point System in accordance with the ATA Regulations on the Administration of the Provincial Point System and Provincial Tournament Procedures (this document).

2.1.2 The ATA Points Administrator, reporting to the ATA Technical Committee, will be responsible for keeping the Point System up to date in a timely manner and will be the keeper of the official records.

2.1.3 The ATA Board will be responsible for determining funding based on recommendations made by the ATA Technical Committee in accordance with the ATA Regulations on the Administration of the Provincial Point System and Provincial Tournament Procedures (this document).

2.1.4 Decisions made by the ATA Board will be final.

2.2 Tournaments

2.2.1 The ATA Technical Committee will be responsible for the overall administration of the Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments, in accordance with WT Competition Rules and the ATA Regulations on the Administration of the Provincial Point System and Provincial Tournament Procedures.

2.2.2 At the end of each competition season and once Taekwondo Canada has announced dates for National Tournaments, the ATA Technical Committee will submit to the ATA Board for approval the Provincial Tournaments to be held in the following season and the dates for these tournaments.

2.2.3 At the end of each competition season and once Taekwondo Canada has announced dates for National Tournaments, the ATA Board will set and publish the next season's competition schedule based on the recommendation of the ATA Technical Committee.

Article 3 Definitions

3.1 Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament Competition Season

3.1.1 All Taekwondo Canada Sanctioned Events

3.1.2 All PATU Sanctioned Events

3.1.3 All WT Sanctioned Events

3.1.3.1 Includes Olympic Qualifying: World and Pan Am Region

3.1.4 Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments

3.2 Start of Season

3.2.1 Canadian National Championships

3.3 End of Season

3.3.1 Last event from those included in **3.1** prior to Canadian National Championships

3.4 Shortened Season

3.4.1 In some cases, the ATA Technical Committee may request the ATA Board declare a Shortened Season. The typical reason for a shortened season will be that the Canadian National Championships are held in January or February due to events such as the Olympic Games.

3.4.2 A Shortened Season will be declared by the ATA Board at the end of the previous competition season at the time that the season's tournament dates are posted (see section **2.2.3**).

3.4.3 A Shortened Season will consist of two (2) sanctioned Alberta Black Belt Team Selection Tournaments.

3.5 Participation

3.5.1 Alberta Ranking Point Tournaments

3.5.1.1 To receive participation credit for a tournament, an athlete must both: pass weigh-in AND begin their first scheduled match (this will include passing inspection).

3.5.1.2 In the case where there is a single athlete being declared as the Gold Medalist in the division, the athlete must both: pass weigh in AND report to the ring at their scheduled time.

3.5.2 Events Other than Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments

3.5.2.1 To receive participation credit for a tournament, an athlete must both: pass weigh-in AND report to the ring for their first scheduled match (this will include passing inspection).

3.5.3 Injury/Illness

3.5.3.1 **In absolutely no circumstances** will a sick or injured athlete be granted credit for participation if they do not meet the criteria outlined in section **3.5.1** or section **3.5.2**.

3.6 Tie Breakers

3.6.1 The first tie breaker will be awarded to the athlete who had the highest place finish at an Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament during the course of the competition season.

3.6.2 If still tied, the second tie breaker will be awarded to the athlete who won the most matches in direct competition between the tied competitors at Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments during the course of the competition season.

3.6.3 If still tied, the third tie breaker will be awarded to the athlete who had the highest points for at Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments during the course of the competition season.

3.6.4 If still tied, the fourth tie breaker will be awarded to the athlete who had the lowest points against at Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments during the course of the competition season.

3.6.5 If still tied, the ATA Board, upon recommendation by the ATA Technical Committee will allow the tie to stand.

Article 4 Athlete Eligibility

4.1 Canadian Citizenship

4.1.1 Athletes must hold Canadian Citizenship on or before the Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament date.

4.2 Kukkiwon Holder

4.2.1 Athletes must be a Kukkiwon Dan holder or a Poom holder.

4.3 ATA Membership

4.3.1 Athletes must be a current registered ATA Black Belt Member in good standing on the date of the Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament or Seminar to receive ranking points, and must maintain this through the end of the competition season (see section **3.3**). Ranking points will not be awarded retroactively.

4.3.2 Athletes must be a member of an ATA Member Club in good standing.

Article 5 Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament Procedure

5.1 Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments

5.1.1 Three (3) or more sanctioned Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments will be conducted over the course of the competition season.

5.1.2 In the case where the ATA Board has declared a Shortened Season (see section **3.4**), only two (2) sanctioned Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments will be conducted over the course of the competition season.

5.2 Points

5.2.1 Points will be acquired through participation in Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments (see section **3.1**) in accordance with the ATA Regulations on the Administration of the Provincial Point System and Provincial Tournament Procedures.

5.2.2 25% of total points will carry forward when an athlete advances to Junior from Cadet or to Senior from Junior. In the case where an athlete chooses to compete in both Junior and Senior, each set of points will be treated separately and will not be combined.

5.2.3 Points available for the season are detailed in **Article 6**

5.3 Weigh-In

5.3.1 Two attempts by the athlete will be allowed during the allotted weigh in time (as per WT Competition rules).

5.3.1.1 Should the athlete not make weight in their registered weight division in the allotted time, the athlete will be disqualified.

Article 6 Points Procedure

6.1 Awarding of Points for Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments

6.1.1 Participation

6.1.1.1 One point will be awarded to each athlete for each tournament in which they participate (see section **3.5**).

6.1.2 Advancement

6.1.2.1 Two (2) points will be awarded for each match won during the course of the competition (a bye is considered a win). Gold medalists in uncontested divisions will have no advancement points.

6.1.3 Performance (other than Alberta Open)

6.1.3.1 Gold Medal.....15 points
6.1.3.2 Silver Medal.....10 points
6.1.3.3 Bronze Medal ..... 5 points

6.1.4 Performance for Alberta Open

6.1.3.1 Gold Medal.....20 points
6.1.3.2 Silver Medal.....15 points
6.1.3.3 Bronze Medal ..... 10 points

6.2 Awarding of Points for Tournaments other than Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments

6.2.1 Participation Points

6.2.1.1 Canadian National TKD Championship..... 20 points
6.2.1.2 WT G1 Events .....20 points
6.2.1.3 WT G2 Events .....30 points
6.2.1.4 WT G4 Events .....40 points
6.2.1.5 WT G6 Events .....50 points
6.2.1.6 WT G10 Events .....60 points

6.2.2 Advancement

6.2.2.1 Five (5) points will be awarded for each match won during the course of the competition (a bye is considered a win). Gold medalists in uncontested divisions will have no advancement points.

6.2.3 Performance Points

6.2.3.1 Canadian National TKD Championship G-40/S-30/B-20
6.2.3.2 WT G1 Events..... G-40/S-30/B-20
6.2.3.3 WT G2 Events..... G-50/S-40/B-30
6.2.2.4 WT G4 Events G-60/S-50/B-40
6.2.2.5 WT G6 Events G-70/S-60/B-50
6.2.2.6 WT G10 Events G-80/S-70/B-60

6.3 Awarding of Points for ATA Sanctioned Sparring Seminars and Team Training

6.3.1 Participation Points

6.3.1.1 ATA Sanctioned Sparring Seminar..... 10 points
6.3.1.2 ATA Sanctioned Sparring Team Training.....10 points

6.4 Beginning of Season Points

6.4.1 One quarter (1/4) of the total points for an athlete at the end of the season will be carried over into the next season.

6.4.2 Carryover of points can only be done for consecutive seasons. An athlete who does not compete for an entire season will begin their next season with zero (0) points.

6.5 Weight Division Changes and Points

6.5.1 The ATA will use combined weight divisions for all Sanctioned Events as follows:
Cadet Male: -33kg & -37kg, -41kg & -45kg, -49kg & -53kg, -57kg & -61kg, -65 & +65kg
Cadet Female: -29kg & -33kg, -37kg & -41kg, -44kg & -47kg, -51kg &-55kg, -59kg & +59kg
Junior Male: -45kg & -48kg, -51kg & -55kg, -59kg & -63kg, -68kg & -73kg, -78kg & +78kg
Junior Female: -42kg & -44kg, -46kg & -49kg, -52kg & -55kg, -59kg & -63kg, -68kg & +68kg
Senior Male: -54kg & -58kg, -63kg & -68kg, -74kg &-80kg, -87kg & +87kg
Senior Female: -46kg & -49kg, -53kg & -57kg, -62kg & -67kg, -73kg & +73kg

6.5.2 Senior athletes must declare which world and Olympic weight division they intend to compete in for each season.

6.5.3 Senior athletes will be allowed to compete in their declared weight division, or 1 weight division above or below.

6.5.4 In the case where a Senior athlete competes in multiple weight divisions, each set of points will be treated separately and will not be combined.

6.5.5 Junior and Cadet athletes may compete in multiple weight divisions with points to be combined.

6.5.6 Once registered for a weight division for an Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament, an athlete will NOT be permitted to change weight divisions. Failure to make weight in the registered division will result in the forfeiting of ranking points for the game (see section 3.5).

6.6 Publication of Points and Results

6.6.1 The ATA will post the results on the ATA's web page within 30 days of completion of each Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament.

6.6.2 Errors or omissions must be brought to the attention of the ATA Points Administrator within thirty (30) days of posting for correction or confirmation, changes will not be made after this point.

6.6.3 It is the responsibility of the athlete to provide proof of participation and a completed fight tree within 30 days of an event for any event other than Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournaments.

Article 7 Amendments to this Regulation

7.1 Review

7.1.1 The Regulation on the Administration of the Provincial Point System and Provincial Tournament Procedures will be reviewed by the ATA Technical Committee on an annual basis.

7.1.2 Comments and suggestions may be submitted at any time to the ATA Technical Committee.

7.2 Amendments

7.2.1 Any amendments will be proposed by the ATA Technical Committee (after their annual review) to the ATA Board.

7.2.2 The ATA Board will publish the amended regulation at the start of the season along with the competition schedule (section **2.2.3**).

Article 8 Dispute Resolution

8.1 Points Procedures

8.1.1 In the case where an athlete and/or coach believe that the Points Procedure (Article 6) are being handled incorrectly or unfairly, this may be brought to the attention of the ATA Points Administrator for resolution.

8.1.2 In the case where the ATA Points Administrator cannot resolve the dispute to the satisfaction of the parties involved, escalation to the ATA Technical Committee is allowed.

8.1.3 In the case where the Technical Committee cannot resolve the dispute to the satisfaction of the parties involved, escalation to the ATA Board is allowed.

8.1.4 The decision of the ATA Board will be final.

8.2 Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament Procedure

8.2.1 In the case where an athlete and/or coach believe that the Alberta Black Belt Ranking Point Tournament Procedures (Article 5) are being handled incorrectly or unfairly, this may be brought to the attention of the ATA Technical Committee for resolution.

8.2.2 In the case where the Technical Committee cannot resolve the dispute to the satisfaction of the parties involved, escalation to the ATA Board is allowed.

8.2.3 The decision of the ATA Board will be final.