

**2023 USAWKF ADULT AND JUNIOR  
TAOLU NATIONAL RANKINGS**

**REGULATIONS**



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### GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2023 United States Wushu-Kungfu Federation (USAWKF) Taolu National Rankings will be held May 26-28, 2023, at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock, TX. This National Rankings will determine the top 10 athletes of every internationally competitive Wushu Taolu event for this year. All athletes who attain one of these top 10 spots will be listed in the new Nationally Rankings section of the USAWKF website honored as among the most skilled wushu athletes in the country.

### DATES AND PLACE

**Dates:** Friday, May 26 – Sunday May 28, 2023

**Place:** Lubbock Memorial Civic Center  
1501 Mac Davis Ln  
Lubbock, TX 79401

**Registration:** <http://registration.usawkf.org/>  
March 20, 2023 - May 1, 2023

### ELIGIBILITY

**USAWKF National Rankings** – Eligible competitors must be U.S. legal residents and must be current USAWKF members in good standing.

### NATIONAL RANKINGS COMPOSITION

All Male and Female athletes ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> in each individual National Ranking event will be included in the National Rankings.

## ADULT COMPETITION EVENTS

### Men's Events

- o Changquan
- o Nanquan
- o Taijiquan
- o Daoshu
- o Jianshu
- o Nandao
- o Taijijian
- o Gunshu
- o Qiangshu
- o Nangun
- o Xingyiquan
- o Shuangdao

### Women's Events

- o Changquan
- o Nanquan
- o Taijiquan
- o Daoshu
- o Jianshu
- o Nandao
- o Taijijian
- o Gunshu
- o Qiangshu
- o Nangun
- o Baguazhang
- o Shuangjian

## **JUNIOR COMPETITION EVENTS**

1. **Group A:** Optional Routine using the Non-Degree of Difficulty Scoring Method (comprising of A Group – Quality of Movements Scoring & B Group – Overall Performance Scoring only) or 3rd Set of International Competition Routine: Changquan, Daoshu, Jianshu, Qiangshu, Gunshu, Taijiquan, Taijijian, Nanquan, Nandao and, Nangun
  - Group A Competitor Birth Year Ranges: 2005-2017
  
2. **Group B:** Changquan, Daoshu, Jianshu, Qiangshu, Gunshu (1st Set of International Competition Taolu), Nanquan, Nandao, Nangun (International Compulsory Routine) 42 Forms Taijiquan, and 42 Forms Taijijian
  - Group B Competitor Birth Year Ranges: 2009-2017
  
3. **Group C:** Changquan (No.3 Elementary Routine), Daoshu, Jianshu, Qiangshu, and Gunshu (Elementary Routine)
  - Group C Competitor Birth Year Ranges: 2012-2017

## **DRAWING LOTS**

All Teams are requested to carefully check all personal and event information before the draw lot date.

All Teams are requested to carefully check all personal and event information before the registration end date of May 1, 2023 and again on the registration website on Monday, May 22. Lots for events will be drawn on-site the day before the event (Thursday, May 25).

Individual athletes shall pick up their IDs at the check-in desk which will be located at the official hotel, MCM Elegante Hotel and Suites.

## **COMPETITION RULES**

Unless otherwise stated within these regulations, the competition will be conducted in accordance with the IWUF Wushu Taolu Competition Rules & Judging Methods (Excerpt) 2019.

All adult events except Xingyiquan, Baguazhang, Shuangdao and Shuangjian will use the Scoring Method and Criteria for Degree of Difficulty of Movements of Optional Routines.

Xingyiquan, Baguazhang, Shuangdao and Shuangjian will use the Scoring Method and Criteria for Non-Degree of Difficulty of Movements.

All junior events will also use the Scoring Method and Criteria for Non-Degree of Difficulty of Movements.

Please refer to the International Wushu Federation website ([www.iwuf.org](http://www.iwuf.org)) to see the IWUF Wushu Taolu Competition Rules & Judging Methods (Excerpt) 2019.

Adult Traditional Events: For traditional bare-hand routines (Xingyiquan & Baguazhang) and traditional weapon routines (Shuangdao & Shuangjian), the following will be implemented:

The total routine duration must be at least sixty (60) seconds and at most ninety (90) seconds.

The traditional practice methods of different regions, different clans, and stylistic differences between generations of traditional Xingyiquan, Baguazhang, Shuangdao, and Shuangjian may all be employed within their respective competition events (e.g. xingyiquan's WuxingQuan (Five Elements Fists), Shi'erxingQuan (12 Animal Forms), and LianhuanQuan (Linking Forms); baguazhang's Laoba Zhang (8 Old Palms) and Lianhuan Zhang (Linking Palms); traditional Shuangdao methods; and traditional Shuangjian methods may all be employed in their respective events).

Optional Events: Within a single routine, an athlete may register and perform a degree of difficulty jumping technique of the same grade at most two (2) times. In such cases, the degree of difficulty connection technique for these jumps may not be repeated (e.g. within a single optional routine an athlete may register and perform *xuanfengjiao* 360° (tornado kick 360°) at most two (2) times, but the degree of difficulty connection technique for these may not be the same. There should be two (2) different connection techniques.

All athletes are required to execute their optional routine's relevant compulsory techniques as stipulated in the rules. Failure to do so will result in deductions as stated in the rules.

### **COMPETITION AREA**

Competition will take place on USAWKF-approved competition mats.

The contest area is 14m in length by 8m in width and is surrounded by a safety area of at least 2m in width. All contest areas shall be demarcated on all four sides by a white line 5cm thick. The vertical empty space above the competition area should have a height of at least 8m. The competition area may be elevated to a height between 0.6m and 1m.

### **COMPETITION ATTIRE AND EQUIPMENT**

During all events, competitors shall wear wushu competition costumes that follow the IWUF Wushu Taolu Competition Rules & Judging Methods (Excerpt) 2019 and are provided by the competitors themselves.

All Taolu Wushu Team Trials weaponry shall conform to the requirements stipulated in the rules and must be provided by the competitors themselves.

### **SELECTION METHOD**

The selection method is based on the ranking of each athlete's score in each individual event. The top ten male athletes and the top ten female athletes for each individual event will be chosen.

### **TIE SCORES**

Tie scores affecting the selection of athletes for the National Rankings will be broken using the following methods:

1. If the total scores are tied, the athlete with the better ranking in the two selected team trials events will be chosen.
2. If the scores are still tied, the athlete who has a higher individual event score in the two selected team trial events will be chosen.
3. If the scores are still tied, the athlete with the better Judge C (Nandu or Degree of Difficulty) overall score in the tied event will be chosen.
4. If the scores are still tied, the athlete who submits the best Judge C (Nandu or Degree of Difficulty) individual score in the tied event will be chosen.
5. If the scores are still tied, the athlete with the best final Judge B (Overall Performance) overall score in the tied event will be chosen.
6. If the scores are still tied, the athlete with the higher Judge B (Overall Performance) individual score in the tied event will be chosen.
7. If the scores are still tied, the athlete will be chosen by a drawing.

### **PLACING AND AWARDS**

Awards and ranking certificates will be given to the top ten males and ten females.

### **REGISTRATION**

Each participant registering in any competition event is responsible for their own accident insurance. A waiver form must be signed, and every participant must agree to the terms before entering the online registration system.

Registration starts March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Final registration ends May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**No registrations will be accepted after the May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.**

You must notify the Organizing Committee of any changes at least 21 days prior to the event. There is a \$25 charge for each change. No changes will be made after the Friday, May 5 deadline.

Each group or school shall select one team leader and up to two coaches. IDs will be issued to all team leaders, coaches, and athletes, and they are not required to purchase admission tickets. IDs shall be picked up and distributed by the team leader or group organizer.

## FEES

### **Registration**

The Taolu National Ranking Registration Fee is \$75 per event.

Athletes may compete in a maximum of five (5) events.

### **Observer Passes**

Competition observer tickets are \$15 per day (Friday, Saturday, or Sunday).

A Weekend Observer pass is for all 3 days of the competition for \$35.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Online Registration: Groups or individuals may use the quick and easy online registration system on our website: <http://registration.usawkf.org/>

There is a separate registration form for the Taolu Team Trials event. The 2023 USAWKF Taolu Team Trials, the USAWKF National Rankings, and the USAWKF Kungfu Team Trials are separate but concurrent events with their own registration forms. Registration must include the Nandu Codes and the Required Movements where required (Adult Nandu events only). Competitors are to use the online system to register.

Registration Time Frame: Registration opens **March 20, 2023, and closes on May 1, 2023.**

## ADMINISTRATION OF NATIONAL RANKINGS EVENTS

The Organizing Committee will administer all aspects of the competition under the auspices of the USAWKF.



## OFFICIAL HOTELS

The event has two hotels: the MCM Eleganté Hotel & Suites and the Cotton Court Hotel.

The MCM Eleganté Hotel & Suites room rate is **\$109 per night plus tax for double queen OR king bedroom; or \$139 per night plus tax for king atrium suites**. Guests must mention code word 'USAWKF' to get this rate.

Daily breakfast and ground transportation are included to and from Lubbock Preston Smith International Airport. The hotel is 0.2 miles from the venue and is a 4-minute walk or 2-minute drive.

MCM Eleganté Hotel & Suites  
801 Avenue Q  
Lubbock, TX 79401  
(806) 763-1200  
<http://www.mcmelegantelubbock.com/>

The Cotton Court Hotel room rate is **\$129 per night plus tax for classic king room or \$149 per night plus tax for classic double room**.

Direct booking link: [Chinese Martial Arts Try Outs](#)  
You may also call 210-220-3054 and ask for the 'Chinese Martial Arts Try Outs Block'.  
Or you may book through their website and use Group Code: CMATO409

The hotel is 0.4 miles from the venue and is an 8-minute walk or 2-minute drive.

Cotton Court Hotel, by Valencia Hotel Group  
1610 Broadway Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401  
(806) 758-5800  
Reservations: (210) 220-3054  
<https://www.cottoncourthotel.com/>

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