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Hello and welcome to the 2023 World Police and Fire Games!

This is your official letter of confirmation. Below you will find the information that will help guide you through this year's Games.

Sport Specific Information for Karate

Please review the [Karate Abridged Rules](#) for competition format and sport specific details.

Contact information

If you have any questions regarding, Karate please contact your Sport Coordinator: Chasity Martinuk & Sharon Andrews at karate@wpfg2023.com

Or

WPFG Federation Director: Jerome Williams at jwilliams@cpaf.org

Pre-Competition Meeting & Weigh-Ins

Your Mandatory Pre Competition Meeting information is as follows:

Date: July 30

Time: 18:15

Location: RBC-Convention Centre (Presentation Theatre). Please follow the directional signs in the building.

Your Weigh In details are:

Date: July 30

Time: 16:00-17:45

Location: RBC Convention Centre (Room 17). Please follow the directional signs at the venue.

Please ensure you are dressed appropriately for weigh-in.

Competition Schedule

The competition will commence from 9:00-17:00.

July 31st:

- Men's and Women's Individual
 - Kata and Kumite (kyu belt and black belt)

August 1st:

- Men's and Women's Individual
 - Kata and Kumite (black belt - elimination and finals)
- Men's and Women's Team



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- Kata and Kumite

Your detailed Sport Schedule will be available on the WPFG website through the [Karate Page](#) after Weigh-ins.

Sport Equipment

The following protective equipment is compulsory:

- WKF approved mitts, one Competitor wearing red and the other wearing blue.
- Gum shield
- WKF approved body protector (respectively male and female design as applicable)
- WKF approved shin pads, one Competitor wearing red and the other wearing blue
- WKF approved foot protection, one Competitor wearing red and the other wearing blue
- WKF approved groin guards for men
- WKF approved red and blue embroidered karate-gi and red and blue belts.

Please refer to section 2.2.1 (pages 6-8) of the [WKF rules](#).

Additional Sport Information

For the Scheduling and Scoring we will be utilising: [Sportdata](#). The detailed Karate schedule will be posted on the platform after the weigh-ins.

Please make sure that you have submitted your **Medical Release Form** through Fuse Sport, and also carry it with you. You will not be allowed to compete without a medical certificate (**Doctors will not be available at the venue for Medical Examination**).

Venue

RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg
375 York Ave, Winnipeg MB

Food and Beverage kiosks will be available at all competition venues.

Transportation

As part of your Accreditation, you will be granted free access to [Winnipeg Transit](#) services, which is perfect for getting around to different attractions throughout the city as well as the majority of our competition venues. For more details on routes and schedules please visit the [Winnipeg Transit Trip Planner](#).



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The RBC Convention Centre is centrally located in Downtown Winnipeg, within walking distance of many WPFG partner hotels.

Parking

There is limited paid parking available at and within walking distance around RBC Convention Centre. Please utilize Winnipeg Transit for your arrival and departure whenever possible.

Registration in Winnipeg

All competitors are REQUIRED to register at the RBC Convention Centre Accreditation Centre and receive their credentials before their competition begins.

You must bring your department / agency Identification when checking in at the accreditation centre.

Location

**RBC CONVENTION CENTRE WINNIPEG
375 York Ave Winnipeg MB R3C 3J3**

Hours of Operation

Monday July 24 - 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm *Local Athletes, come early and beat the rush!*

Tuesday July 25 - Thursday July 27: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Friday July 28: 7:00am - 4:00pm

*****Early Closure for Opening Ceremonies. You must have accreditation to gain entry to the Marshalling area for the Athletes Parade*****

Saturday July 29 - Sunday July 30: 7:00am - 7:00pm

Monday July 31 - Tuesday August 1: 7:00am - 5:00pm

Wednesday August 2 - Saturday August 5: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday August 6: 9:00am - 1:00pm

*Note: Hours are subject to change based on needs

Additional Games Information

Security of Personal Items

Please note that security for your personal items is your responsibility while competing. WPFG2023 is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged items.



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Opening Ceremonies

| Schedule: Friday July 28, 2023 | | |
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| Activity | Time | Location |
| Athlete Marshalling Starts | 4:30pm | RBC Convention Centre 3rd Floor HALL A/B 375 York Ave Winnipeg, MB R3C 3J3 |
| Parade Start | 6:30pm | |
| Doors Open | 6:30pm | Canada Life Centre 300 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3C 5S4 |
| Pre-show begins | | |
| Main Show Begins | | |
| End of Show | 9:30pm | |

The Opening Ceremony begins with the Athletes Parade, which will start at the **RBC Convention Centre, 3rd Floor HALL A/B** and march to the **Canada Life Centre** (approx. 600 meters). Food & Beverage will be available for purchase in the marshalling area. You must have your Accreditation to access Hall A/B and take part in the parade.

*Things to Note:

- Only Athlete credentials will be permitted into the marshalling area or into the Athlete Parade at any point.
- The Accreditation Centre closes at 4:00pm on July 28.
- Please do not bring bags to the Opening Ceremony or Athlete Marshalling Area.

The opening ceremony is the official kick off to the 2023 World Police and Fire Games and will welcome athletes to Winnipeg with an exciting event in Canada Life Centre. Please ensure you RSVP attendance through your registration profile on [Fuse Sport](#). Please note, your plus ones will not be seated with parade and ceremony participants.

Athletes Village

Location: CN Stage & Field

1 Forks Market Road

Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4X1

Dates: Saturday July 29 - Sunday August 6

Hours of Operation: 5:00 pm to Midnight (12:00am)



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*Last call will be at 11:00pm

The Athletes Village is themed Canada's backyard and is the perfect place to unwind after a day of competition. We will be featuring local breweries nightly at our craft beer corner and our bars will be serving beer and premixed drinks. There will also be food available for purchase in the form of food trucks with a variety of options. Each night is a different theme where you can dance the night away to live music, play games, and socialize with athletes from across the world. A detailed schedule will be released on the [WPFG2023 website](#) closer to the games.

On August 2, 2023, Athletes Village will host Wrist Wrestling. Competition commences at 5:00pm.

Closing Ceremonies

Location: CN Stage & Field
Athletes Village

Date: Sunday August 6th

Time: Gates opens at 4:00 pm, Closing Ceremony starts at 5:00 pm.

Come and celebrate the closing of our Games as we pass over the WPFG Flag to Birmingham, Alabama for the 2025 World Police & Fire Games. There will be food & beverage available for purchase and live music to follow as we celebrate the success of our athletes, give thanks to all our volunteers and say goodbye for now as we look forward to Birmingham 2025.

Merchandise

The 2023 Games Host Society is proud to offer a full merchandise program to commemorate the 2023 World Police & Fire Games. For more information and to view the WPFG2023 merchandise program please [click here](#)! All prices listed are in Canadian funds and electronic payment will be accepted at our on-site booths. Merchandise will be available at the RBC Convention Centre and Athletes Village.

It is the responsibility of the competitor to regularly check the website for all updated information: www.wpfq2023.com