



National Poomsae Referee Qualification

(Effective from 1st August 2022)

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The course shall be conducted by the British Taekwondo Poomsae Referee department. The following levels of qualification are available:

New Classifications

The British Taekwondo Poomsae Referee Department has decided to align classification with the terms used by the Kyorugi Department, World Taekwondo and proposed for future coach qualifications. The new classifications will be Class 3, Class 2 and Class 1. Currently active (those who have officiated since the 1st January 2018) will be recognised as follows

Class C as Class 3

Class B as Class 2

Class A as Class 1

The Class P classification is not being brought forward as the minimum grade qualification for referees moving forward will be 1st Dan. Existing Class P Referees will be encouraged to attend a Class C course on attaining 1st Dan.

Qualifications

Qualifications	Requirements
Class 3 Qualification:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: 1st Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 16 years old +3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Taebaek4. Duration 8 hrs
National Freestyle Referee Qualification Online Course	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 1st Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 16 years old +3. Minimum Class 3 National Qualification Holder4. Experience gained from judging a minimum of 4 times since their promotion to Class 35. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Taebaek6. Duration 4hrs
Class 2 Qualification:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 2nd Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 18 years old +3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Shipjin4. Knowledge: Freestyle Poomsae rules (completed online module)5. Duration 8 hrs
National Para Referee Qualification Online Course	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 2nd Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 18 years old +3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Hansu4. Minimum Class 2 National Qualification Holder5. Duration 4 hrs
Class 1 Qualification:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 3rd Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 21 years old +3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Hansu4. Knowledge: Freestyle & Para Poomsae (completed online module)5. Duration 8 hrs
International Referee Qualification:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 4th Dan Kukkiwon2. Age: 21 years old +3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Hansu4. Online WT Referee Training Programme5. Duration 5 days
Competition Chief Referee Qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade: Holder of 4th Dan Kukkiwon2. International Referee holder3. Knowledge of Freestyle & Para Poomsae Rules4. Duration 2 hrs

Qualifications expiry: Qualifications expire after 2 years of issue if a Referee is inactive.

Qualification, Promotion & Eligibility

Administration

The referee committee shall screen the eligible referees, according to the requirements for promotion

Requirements for promotion: Only Referees who meet the criteria shall be eligible for promotion.

Qualification	Criteria for promotion
Class 3 Qualification:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade: 1st Dan Kukkiwon 2. Age: 16 years old + 3. Knowledge: up to Poomsae Taebaek
Class 3 Qualification to Class 2 Qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open to class 3 holders with at least 1 year's active experience. 2. Holder of 2nd Dan Kukkiwon 3. 18 years old + 4. Experience gained from judging a minimum of 8 times since their promotion to Class 3 5. Knowledge up to Poomsae Shipjin 6. Knowledge of Freestyle Poomsae Scoring (Completed Freestyle Online Module)
Class 2 Qualification to Class 1 Qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open to Class 2 holders with at least 2 year's active experience, 2. Holder of 3rd Dan Kukkiwon 3. 21 years old + 4. Experience gained from judging a minimum of 8 times since their promotion to Class 2 5. Knowledge up to Poomsae Hansu 6. Knowledge of Freestyle & Para Poomsae Scoring (Completed Para Online Module)
Class 1 Qualification to International Referee qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open to Class 1 holder with at least 2 years' active experience 2. Holder of 4th Dan Kukkiwon 3. 21 years old + 4. Experience gained from judging a minimum of 8 times since their promotion to Class 1 5. Knowledge up to Poomsae Hansu 6. Knowledge of Freestyle & Para Poomsae 7. Completed the Mandatory Online WT Referee Training Programme
Competition Chief Referee Qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. International Referee holder 2. 1 year's active International Referee experience 3. Grade: Holder of 4th Dan Kukkiwon 4. Knowledge of Freestyle & Para Poomsae Rules
Fast Track Class 2 Qualification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open to class 3 holders with active judging experience. 2. Holder of 4th Dan Kukkiwon 3. 18 years old + 4. Experience gained from judging a minimum of 5 times since their promotion to Class 3 5. Knowledge up to Poomsae Shipjin 6. Knowledge of Freestyle Poomsae Scoring (Completed Freestyle Online Module) 7. Application acceptance depending on referee performance

Class 1 Referees applying for an International Referee qualification seminar must be recommended by the Poomsae Referee Committee and by the President of British Taekwondo.

Recognised Events

The referee committee will recognize the following types of championships as referee experience (Points pre competition not day)

Inter-club level/ Regional Level competition	1 Point	
Open competition	1 Point	
Domestic International competition	1 Point	
Online Championships	1 Point Live Judging	0.5 Pre Scored events
Referee Refresher course	1 Point	
Freestyle Referee & Para Referee Refresher	0.5 point	
WT/WTE Referee workshops	1 Point (Evidence required of completion)	
Overseas International competition	2 Points	
British National Championships	2 points for judging both days, 1 point for one days judging	
Half Day judging will be awarded	0.5 Points	

Qualified Referees officiating at an event but unable to referee due to their duties will receive 1/0.5 points at the discretion of the referee committee.

Note: One to one competitions **are not** recognized for referee experience, Note: 75% of the Referee points for promotion must be Referee competition experience



British Taekwondo Poomsae Referee Progression



