









# Open Flanders Wushu Championships 2025

Modern Wushu & Traditional Kung Fu-Wushu & Taiji

+ Belgian Wushu Taolu Championships 2025 Sunday 26 October 2025

## **Local Organising Committee (LOC)**

The Open Flanders Wushu Championships (OFWC) 2025 will be organised by the Vlaams Wushu Instituut vzw., with support of the Vlaamse Wushu Federatie, Belgian Wushu Federation and Wushu KungFu Federation of Europe.

## **Eligibility**

The "open" tournament of the OFWC will be open for participation to all athletes registered at a national wushu federation recognised by and member of the Wushu KungFu Federation of Europe. The "Belgian Wushu Taolu Championships" (BWTC), embedded in the OFWC, will only be open for participation to athletes who hold the Belgian nationality and are registered with the Belgian Wushu Federation.

# Competition venue

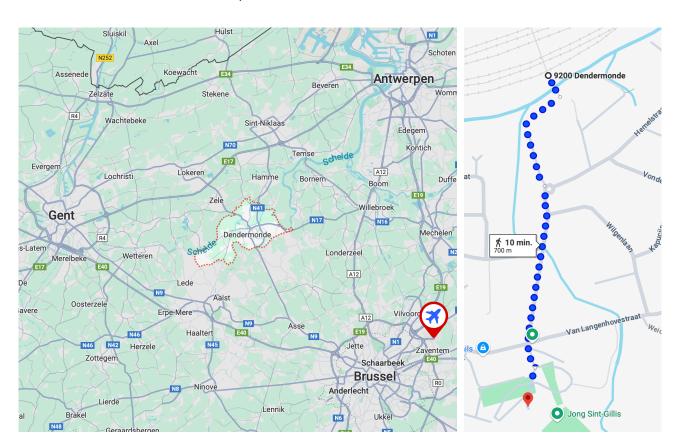
The OFWC will take place in the **Sportcenter of Sint-Gillis-Dendermonde**, **Van Langenhovestraat 203, 9200 Dendermonde**, **Belgium**. Dendermonde is located in the heart of Flanders, close by the major cities of Brussels, Ghent and Antwerp. The international airport of Brussels (Brussels Airport-Zaventem) is located a mere 45km away from where Dendermonde is easily accessible by car or public transport. The train station of Dendermonde lies a 10 minute walk from the competition venue.

Free parking is available at the competition venue. Additional free parking can be found in the surrounding streets, at the train station and at the Sint-Egidius church (Frans Van Schoorstraat 17; 12 minute walk).

At the competition venue, a cafeteria is present where beverages can be bought.



Sportcenter Sint-Gillis-Dendermonde



Geographic location of Dendermonde and Brussels Airport

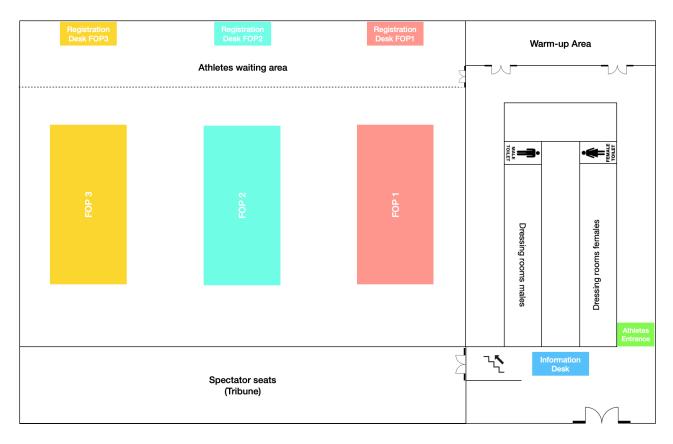
Train station -> competition venue

In the main competition hall 3 Fields Of Play (FOP) will be present:

- FOP1: Modern Wushu & Optional Taiji
- FOP2: Traditional Kung Fu-Wushu
- FOP3: non-Optional Taiji

#### Warm-up areas will be provided:

- For the Morning Session a Warm-up Area will be located in a separate hall. Due to limited space and to ensure the safety of the athletes, only barehand warm up will be allowed (no weapons).
- For the Afternoon Session, FOP3 will be opened as a second Warm-up Area. Athletes for long weapon events are required to warm up on FOP3 for safety and logistical reasons. Athletes for short weapon events can use both warm up areas.



Birdseye overview of competition center

# **Competition Rules**

The competition will be conducted based on the IWuF "WUSHU TAOLU COMPETITION RULES AND JUDGING METHODS (2024)" with the following exception:

- All scoring, including Optional routines, will be based on Article 23 "Events without Degree of Difficulty": A-score (Quality of Movements; 7 points) and B-score (Overal Performance; 3 points).
- All other rules, including time limits for optional routines (Article 11), **WILL BE** enforced! Non-compliance will result in point deductions as stipulated in the rules.

## Age Groups

Age Group D: up until 11 years

• Age Group C: 12 - 14 years

• Age Group B: 15 - 17 years

• Age Group A: 18 years and above

The age of the athlete is determined based on the age on the day of the competition (26 October 2025).

Age groups and sexes (male/female) will perform in separate events as much as possible. However, the LOC holds the right to merge categories if too few participants are registered in a given event.

## **Competition events**

- Modern Wushu: Wubuquan (beginners); Changquan; Nanquan; Daoshu; Jianshu;
   Nandao; Gunshu; Qiangshu; Nangun; Modern Dulian & Modern Jiti
- Traditional Kung Fu-Wushu: Wubuquan (beginners); Baqua, Bajin, Xingyi, Pigua,
  ...; Winchun, Hung Gar, ...; Chaquan, Huaquan, ...; Animal styles; Tongbi, Fanzi,
  Ditang, Wudang, ...; Shaolinquan; Traditional Other styles; Traditional Short
  Weapons; Traditional Long Weapons; Traditional Dulian & Traditional Jiti
- Optional Taiji: Taijiquan; Taijijian; Taijifan & Optional Taiji Other Weapons
- Non-optional Taiji: Taijiquan (Yang style); Taiji Chen style; Taiji Other styles (Wu, Hat, Sun); Taijijian; Taiji Other Weapons; Taiji Dulian & Taiji Jiti

An athlete can only compete in the events of 1 FOP (Modern Wushu & Optional Taiji, Traditional Kung Fu or Non-optional Taiji). Mixing of events from different FOPs is not allowed to avoid overlap!

For Dulian events, a team must consist of 2 or 3 athletes.

For Jiti events, a team must consist of minimum 6 athletes.

# <u>Registration</u>

Registration for the OFWC must be performed by completing the provided "Registration Open Flanders Wushu Championships 2025" Excel document. The document must be send to the LOC via email to <a href="mailto-openflanderswushuchampionships@gmail.com">openflanderswushuchampionships@gmail.com</a> by 10 October 2025, 23h59. The LOC will send a confirmation of acceptance to the submitter after checking that the form is complete and correct.

Registration forms submitted after the deadline will only be processed after payment of a fee of €100 per athlete. Changes requested after the deadline to an accepted registration form will only be processed after payment of a fee of €50 per change.

On the day of the competition, the team must be registered by the teamleader at the designated desk before **09h00!** If the team will be later than 09h00 due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. traffic, problems public transport), contact the LOC directly via Whatsapp. An emergency telephone number will be provided after the registration deadline (10 October 2025)

Teams consisting of 1 to 5 athletes can bring 1 coach who will have access to the athletes area. Teams consisting of 5+ athletes can bring 2 coaches. People other than the athletes and coach(es) are not allowed entrance to the athletes area.

#### Competition fee

1 event: €202 events: €303 events: €404 events: €50

Each athlete can compete in maximum 4 events: 3 single events (1 barehand + 1 short weapon + 1 long weapon) and 1 group event (Dulian or Jiti). Participating in multiple events in the same category, e.g. Taijiquan 24 form and Taijiquan 42 form, is not allowed.

The total competition fee per team must be payed via bank transfer to the Vlaams Wushu Instituut vzw.: IBAN: **BE25 0012 9614 1682**, BIC: GEBABEBB before **19 October 2025**. **Non-compliance with this deadline will result in exclusion of the team from the OFWC!** Please mention your team name with the bank transfer.

In case a registered athlete cannot compete on the day of the OFWC, the relevant competition fee will NOT be reimbursed unless a valid reason can be provided and supported by evidence (e.g. a doctor's note in case of illness).

#### Roll call

Athletes must register at the designated Registration Desk **10 minutes** before the start of their event.

Registering on time is the athlete's and coach's responsibility. Missing the registration deadline = no participation in the event.

# <u>Appeals</u>

In concordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the IWuF "WUSHU TAOLU COMPETITION RULES AND JUDGING METHODS (2024)", appeals must be submitted in written form to the Jury of Appeals within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the athlete's routine, together with an appeal fee of €200. The appeal will be handled as stipulated in the rules.

# Classifications, awarding and medals

1st, 2nd and 3rd place of each event will be awarded with a gold, silver and bronze medaille respectively. Participation certificates for all athletes will be provided. Medal ceremonies will occur at the end of the Morning and Afternoon sessions.

- For events including athletes holding the Belgian nationality, two classifications will be compiled: 1) the OFWC classification, for all athletes, and 2) the BWTC classification. Medals will be awarded for both classifications, also if the OFWC podium contains only Belgian athletes.
- For events without athletes holding the Belgian nationality, only the OFWC classification will be compiled and awarded.

## Information desk

An Information desk will be present at the entrance of the competition venue for general questions.

#### **Programme**

08h00: Doors open

08h00-09h00: Team registration

08h00-09h05: FOPs open for training

08h45: Judges meeting 09h00: Coaches meeting

09h10: Gathering of teams for Opening Ceremony

09h15: Opening Ceremony OFWC 2025

09h40: Start Morning session on all FOPs

13h00: Lunch break and Medal Ceremony Morning session

13h00-14h00: Demonstration matches Sanda/Qinda/Tuishou/Shou bo

14h00: Start Afternoon session on FOP1 and FOP2

17h30: Medal Ceremony Afternoon session

18h00: End OFWC 2025

This programme is only indicative and subject to change given the final number of athletes and competition events.

#### Contact

For all questions and inquiries, the LOC can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:openflanderswushuchampionships@gmail.com">openflanderswushuchampionships@gmail.com</a>.

The LOC holds the right to make necessary adjustments to the content presented in the document. Changes will be communicated in time to all participating teams.