

MASTER SHARP'S
MIDWEST OPEN
TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP

November 19th and 20th, 2011

NEW FOR 2011

6 Competition Rings and
Expanded Competition Area!
Grand Champion for Breaking

**11th Year and growing with 450 Competitors
ALL STYLES OF MARTIAL ARTS WELCOME!**

**EVENTS: OLYMPIC SPARRING, FORMS,
BREAKING, AND WEAPONS**

ALL COMPETITORS AGE 12 AND UNDER WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD

TOP 3 SCHOOLS WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL JUDGES, SCHOOL OWNERS, AND OFFICIALS.

Matted Rings!
Great Competition for all Levels!
Fair Judging!

Electronic Scoring
Low Fees!
Great Location!

Online Registration!
Very Organized Event!
Beautiful Trophies and Medals!

ORDER OF EVENTS

Saturday November 19th

8:00 AM-2:00 PM Competitor Registration
9:30 AM-10:00 AM Black Belt Meeting
10:00 AM Opening Ceremony
10:30 AM Black Belt Forms followed by
Black Belt Sparring (Rings 5 & 6)
Color Belt Forms (Ages 6 & Under)
followed by Color Belt Sparring (Ages 6 & Under)
Special Divisions Forms & Sparring
11:00 AM Color Belt Forms (Ages 7 & Up)
1:00 PM Grand Champion Forms (All Ranks)
2:00 PM Lunch
2:30 PM Color Belt Sparring (Ages 7 - 10)
3:30 PM Color Belt Sparring (Ages 11 & Up)

Sunday November 20th

9:00 AM-11:00 AM Competitor Registration
10:00 AM Color Belt Breaking and Weapons (Ages 6 & Under)
All Special Divisions Breaking and Weapons
10:30 AM Color Belt Breaking (Ages 7 & Up)
11:30 AM Black Belt Breaking
12:30 PM Grand Champion Breaking
1:30 PM Color Belt Weapons (Ages 7 & Up)
2:00 PM Black Belt Weapons
2:30 PM Grand Champion Weapons

SPECTATORS:

ENTRY FEE: \$4.00 in advance, \$5.00 at the door
2 DAY PASS: \$6.00 in advance, \$8.00 at the door
Children under 3 are free

COMPETITORS/SPECTATORS:

Please send check or money order to:
SHARP'S TAEKWONDO
1070 HICKORY POINT MALL
FORSYTH, IL 62535

NO CHECKS ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 5, 2011. NO REFUNDS ONCE REGISTERED.

FORMS COMPETITION

Forms will be divided into divisions by age, rank, male and female as follows:

AGE DIVISIONS: (3-4), (5-6), (7-8), (9-10), (11-12), (13-14), (15-16), (17-32), (33-39), (40+)
BELT DIVISIONS: (WHITE, YELLOW, ORANGE), (GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE), (RED & BROWN), (BLACK)

Male and Female competitors are separate.

Competitors will compete 2 at a time for forms competition in a bracket format where the winner moves on.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS DIVISIONS:

There will be Special Olympic Divisions. Please check "Special Olympics Division" on the tournament application.

Grand Champion Awards will be given for Adult Black Belt Forms and Junior Black Belt Forms. Along with our Chris Canning Award for the most SPIRIT, DETERMINATION AND SPORTSMANSHIP!

There will also be

Grand Champion for Color Belt Forms as follows:

Grand Champion White, Yellow, Orange Belts
JUNIORS (AGES 3-16)

Grand Champion White, Yellow, Orange Belts
ADULTS (AGES 17+)

Grand Champion Green, Blue, Purple Belts
JUNIORS (AGES 3-16)

Grand Champion Green, Blue, Purple Belts
ADULTS (AGES 17+),

Grand Champion Red and Brown Belts
JUNIORS (AGES 3-16)

Grand Champion Red and Brown Belts
ADULTS (AGES 17+)

EACH WINNER OF THEIR DIVISION WILL BE ABLE TO COMPETE FOR GRAND CHAMPION.

SPARRING COMPETITION

Sparring will be divided into divisions by age, rank, weight, male and female as follows:

AGE DIVISIONS: (3-4), (5-6), (7-8), (9-10), (11-12), (13-14), (15-16), (17-32), (33-39), (40+)
BELT DIVISIONS: (WHITE, YELLOW, ORANGE), (GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE), (RED & BROWN), (BLACK)
WEIGHT DIVISIONS: LIGHT WEIGHT & HEAVY WEIGHT

Male and Female competitors are separate. Demonstration matches allowed with parent/instructor permission.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS DIVISIONS:

There will be Special Olympic Divisions. Please check "Special Olympics Division" on the tournament application.

All Color Belts:

will spar 2 one-minute rounds with a 30 second rest period.

All Black Belts:

will spar 2 two-minute rounds with a 30 second rest period. Finals will be 3 two-minute rounds.

There will be a match for 3rd Place. Only one 3rd place will be awarded. All competitors will receive an award.

EQUIPMENT:

Safety equipment for sparring is mandatory! Participant must provide their own headgear, chest protector, shin/instep pads, fist/forearm pads, mouth piece, and support cup for all males. **No jewelry will be allowed. Finger nails and toe nails must be trimmed!**

AREAS FOR SCORING:

HEAD AREA (Controlled foot contact only. No hand techniques to the head are permitted.)

BODY AREA (Includes the area covered by the chest protector. Points will be awarded for effective punch or foot strikes.)

VALID SCORES:

One point shall be awarded for a legal foot technique or punch executed with proper balance to the body. Two points shall be awarded for a legal foot technique to the head. Corner judges will determine sufficient force for the awarding of a point, i.e. techniques must be delivered with enough power to satisfy the corner judges that a point has been scored.

WARNINGS:

- Any competitor that executes a kick to the head area that results in a minor injury, shall receive a 1 point deduction.
- Any competitor that executes a kick to the head that results in bleeding or the inability of the opponent to continue due to the injury, shall be disqualified.
- No grabbing
- No holding
- No pushing
- No escaping contact by turning the back.
- No stepping out-of-bounds to avoid contact.
- No attacking with unauthorized body part (elbow, knee, head, etc.)
- No faking injury
- No attacking an unauthorized area (groin, back, legs, etc.)
- No intentionally falling to avoid contact.
- No attacking the head, neck, or face with the fist or hand.
- No uttering undesirable remarks or unsportsmanlike conduct (either by athlete, coach, or any other individual associated with the athlete.)
- No gesturing to celebrate a score.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULES WILL RESULT IN A 1 POINT DEDUCTION OR DISQUALIFICATION AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CENTER REFEREE.

BREAKING COMPETITION

Breaking will be divided into divisions by age, rank, male and female as follows:

AGE DIVISIONS: (3-4), (5-6), (7-8), (9-10), (11-12), (13-14), (15-16), (17-32), (33-39), (40+)
BELT DIVISIONS: (WHITE, YELLOW, ORANGE), (GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE), (RED & BROWN), (BLACK)

Male and Female competitors are separate.

RULES FOR BREAKING:

- 1) 6 boards maximum for all color belts.
- 2) 1 minute set-up time for all ranks!
- 3) Maximum number of attempts on each break is 3.
- 4) Scoring will be on technique, level of difficulty, number of attempts, and **size of the boards.**
- 5) Black belts no limit on boards or concrete.

There will be 1 Adult and 1 Junior Grand Champion for Breaking. Each Division Winner will be eligible to compete for this award.

Boards must be purchased at the tournament.

WEAPONS COMPETITION

Weapons will be divided into divisions by age, and rank as follows:

AGE DIVISIONS: (3-4), (5-6), (7-8), (9-10), (11-12), (13-14), (15-16), (17-32), (33-39), (40+)
BELT DIVISIONS: (WHITE, YELLOW, ORANGE), (GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE), (RED & BROWN), (BLACK)

Male and Female participants compete together for weapons only.

Only approved martial arts weapons may be used.
Weapons will be inspected by the judges before competing.

There will be 1 Adult and 1 Junior Grand Champion for Weapons. Each Division Winner will be eligible to compete for this award.

Competitors may supply their own music or props.

JUDGING WILL BE DETERMINED BY:

- 1) Creativity
- 2) Level of difficulty
- 3) Rhythm and flow of routine
- 4) Overall presentation

LIST OF RECOMMENDED HOTELS IN THE DECATUR AREA

Decatur Conference Center and Hotel
4191 W. US Highway 36
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 422-8800
Tournament Hotel: Ask for the Special Rate for the Midwest Open Taekwondo Championship

Comfort Inn
134 E. Barnett Ave.
Forsyth, IL Phone: (217) 875-1166

Ramada
355 E. Hickory Point Rd.
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 876-8011

Baymont Inn
5100 Hickory Point Frontage Rd.
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 875-5800

Hampton Inn
1429 Hickory Point Dr.
Forsyth, IL Phone: (217) 875-5577

Days Inn
333 N. Wyckles Rd.
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 422-5900

Country Inn & Suites
5150 Hickory Point Frontage Rd.
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 872-2402

Holiday Inn Express
5170 N. Wingate Dr.
Decatur, IL Phone: (217) 875-5500

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REGISTRATION TIME: 8:00AM-2:00PM
PLACE: DECATUR CONFERENCE CENTER & HOTEL
(4191 W. US ROUTE 36 DECATUR, IL. 62522)

TOURNAMENT START TIME: 10:00AM SHARP! (SATURDAY & SUNDAY)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

COMPETITOR: NAME _____
HOME ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
NATIONALITY _____
AGE AT TIME OF TOURNAMENT _____
SEX _____ BELT RANK _____
WEIGHT _____ BIRTHDATE _____
EMAIL _____

**COMPETITOR'S
MARTIAL ARTS
SCHOOL:** SCHOOL NAME _____
INSTRUCTOR'S NAME _____
SCHOOL ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
PHONE _____
EMAIL _____

EVENTS: FORMS BREAKING SPARRING WEAPONS
SPECIAL OLYMPICS DIVISION

ENTRY FEES: 1 OR 2 EVENTS \$45.00 3 EVENTS \$55.00 4 EVENTS \$65.00

Register On-Line at:
midwestchampionships.com **OR**



Mail Registration and Fees to:
SHARP'S SCHOOL OF TAEKWONDO
1070 Hickory Point Mall
Forsyth, IL 62535
(217-875-5031)

AFTER NOVEMBER 5, 2011 ADD \$10.00 LATE FEE! NO CHECKS ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 5, 2011.

LIABILITY RELEASE

I _____ HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE, AND DO HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE ALL RIGHTS AND CLAIMS FOR ANY DAMAGE I MAY HAVE OR WHICH MAY OCCUR TO ME, AGAINST JOSHUA SHARP, SHARP'S TAEKWONDO, DECATUR CONFERENCE CENTER & HOTEL AND ANY REPRESENTATIVES OR OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THIS TOURNAMENT. I AM COMPETING AT MY OWN RISK AND I AM PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY FIT FOR THESE EVENTS. I HAVE CONSULTED WITH MY PHYSICIAN AND AM ABLE TO PARTICIPATE. I, THE PARTICIPANT, ASSUME ALL RISKS, INCLUDING INJURY OR DEATH. I UNDERSTAND THAT SPARRING IS A CONTACT SPORT AND BY PARTICIPATING I MAY INCUR INJURY. BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I AGREE TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE FOREMENTIONED. I ALSO AGREE THAT JOSHUA SHARP AND SHARP'S TAEKWONDO AND ANY REPRESENTATIVES OR OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THIS TOURNAMENT ARE NOT LIABLE FOR ANY HARM INCURRED TO OR ON MY PERSON IN THE COURSE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM THIS EVENT.

SIGNATURE OF COMPETITOR _____ DATE _____
OR PARENT/GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18 YEARS OLD.