



# KICKBOXING WORLD SERIES



**Dear Coach/Dear Friend,**

I am delighted to inform you that The Yokoso Dutch Open will be part of the next evolution in the sport of Kickboxing as briefly advertised in 2016 to all WAKO members. The Kickboxing World Series will be the biggest league and competition circuit in the World of Kickboxing today.

Created under the collective banner Together with WAKO IF. It is a series of world-class competitions which are recognized and supported by the World Governing Body of Sport.

The aim of the competitions is to bring world-class competitors together in one place. The best Kickboxing fighters in the senior categories participate in a series of tournaments throughout the year to ultimately determine, through defined, transparent and clear rankings achieved at each KWS tournament, With a overall Grand Winner being crowned annually and receiving the coveted title of KWS Champion 2017 and a share of the cash prize estimated to be €15,000

The project initially comprises of seven competitions yearly and in the disciplines of Senior Point Fighting and Ring sports, but may expand beyond this in 2018/19. But initially this is the concept and events. It is the first time that tournament promoters with the support of WAKO consolidate tournaments with a central prize money prize for the winners and additionally crowning the Kickboxing World Series Champion annually, with a significant cash award.

This new programme will automatically raise the profile and opportunities for Athletes to receive international recognition and reward and Kickboxing for the first time in History will have an integrated tournament ranking profile connecting its members who participate in these premium events.

Below is some very important information, which I ask you to read.

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World Series Event Promoter



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## Kickboxing World Series Events

Date	Event	Website
4-5 <sup>th</sup> February	Athens Challenge	<a href="http://www.athenschallenge.com">www.athenschallenge.com</a>
3-5 <sup>th</sup> March	Irish Open (WAKO World Cup)	<a href="http://www.irishopenonline.com">www.irishopenonline.com</a>
7-8 <sup>th</sup> April	Yokoso Dutch Open	<a href="http://www.yokosodutchopen.com">www.yokosodutchopen.com</a>
20-23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Austrian Classics (WAKO World Cup)	<a href="http://www.austrian-classics.at">www.austrian-classics.at</a>
18-21 <sup>st</sup> May	Hungarian Open (WAKO World Cup)	<a href="http://www.hungarianworldcup.hu">www.hungarianworldcup.hu</a>
9 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Best Fighter (WAKO World Cup)	<a href="http://www.bestfighter.com">www.bestfighter.com</a>
23-24 <sup>th</sup> September	Flanders International	<a href="http://www.contact-karate-beveren.be/">www.contact-karate-beveren.be/</a>

## Ranking System.

1. Ranking points will always round up or down to a maximum of 2 decimal numbers.
2. Ranking cycle/decay (2 Year Cycle): Each Year (from the day the competitor received the ranking points of an event) on a rolling basis for a period of 24 months.
3. Ranking points will be applied only to categories with a minimum of four (4) Competitors.
4. Only events within KWS circuit and that use the Official WAKO scoring system ( Sports Data) will be applicable.
5. All official categories will be ranked, but we will use the integrated/consolidates ones for the KWS as follows.

## Ranking Points Base Values

- 1st place: 120 points
- 2nd place: 90 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4th place: 60 points
- 5<sup>th</sup>/6th place: 30 points
- Each Fight Won: 10 additional points / per fight won
- Participation in each weight class: 4 points (registered and fight at the tournament)



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## Point Fighting

The ranking works on the basis that a fighter may compete in his weight class and one above it, this enables them to secure maximum points.

However their points are brought back and counted **ONLY** in the brackets indicated below.

### Male PF

1. -57 & 63
2. -69 & -74
3. -79 & -84
4. -89 & -94 & + 95

### ii. Female PF

1. -50 & - 55
2. - 60 & -65
3. - 70 & +70

### So as an example A.

Fighter A is a fighter in 57kg and he fights in -57 and -63 at tournament Y, he gains points in both weight classes for his medals and for each fight. His total tally points are

-57kg 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	100
Participation in weight class	4
Five matches to final	50
-63kg 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	40
Participation in weight class	4
Two matches to Semi Final	20
<b>Total Points Tournament Y</b>	<b>218</b>

### Points counts In Bracket PF -57kg & -63kg ONLY

Or it could be

-63kg 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	100
Participation in weight class	4
Five matches to final	50
-69kg 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	40
Participation in weight class	4
Two matches to Semi Final	20
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## Ring Sports

As the various World Series events currently have a mixture of K1 – Low Kick and Full Contact, it has been agreed that the top four male and top three female points winners in any weight class will be crowned World Series king/queen of the ring 2017 in the official WAKO Weight classes. Therefore it is a simple equation of total points accumulated at all 7 World Series events in 2017.

Men -54kg  
Men -57kg  
Men -60kg  
Men -63.5kg  
Men -67kg  
Men -71kg  
Men -75kg  
Men -81kg  
Men -86kg  
Men -91kg  
Men +91kg

Women -48kg  
Women -52kg  
Women -56kg  
Women -60kg  
Women -65kg  
Women -70kg  
Women.+70kg

Each event promoter is contributing €1 per entry from each event to an overall fund which will be divided equally to the fourteen winners, expected payment is €1,000 + per winner and the undisputed WAKO Kickboxing World Series 2017 Champion.