



وزارت ورزش و جوانان

REGULATION

International Kurash Association

**XV World Kurash Seniors Championships
WSP RANKING EVENT**

IKA DC Meeting

IKA Ordinary Congress

Anti-Doping Seminar

IKI Referring Seminar / IKA 2-3 Star International Exam

IKI Coaching Seminar/International Coaching A & B Exam



Bojnord North Khorasan, Islamic Republic of Iran

January 31 to 5 February, 2026

WELCOME SPEECH

Ahmad Donya Mali

Ministry of Sport and Youth (Islamic Republic of Iran)

In the Name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

With greetings and respect,

The hosting of the fifteenth World Kurash Championships in the Islamic Republic of Iran is a valuable opportunity to welcome athletes, coaches, referees, officials, and esteemed guests from various countries around the world who have gathered in an atmosphere filled with healthy competition, friendship, and mutual respect.

Sport, especially authentic and rooted sports like Kurash, plays a significant role in expanding cultural interactions, strengthening lasting peace, and promoting ethical values and chivalry among nations. The Islamic Republic of Iran has always welcomed international sporting events as a platform for the convergence of nations and the exchange of experiences, and remains committed to hosting these competitions in a dignified manner.

While extending a sincere welcome to all guests in attendance, I pray for the success of the participating athletes and for the organizers of this major event to be granted success in holding a well-organized competition worthy of the global Kurash community.

It is hoped that your esteemed presence in Iran and North Khorasan Province will be accompanied by pleasant memories, valuable achievements, and a further strengthening of sporting bonds between countries.

Wishing you all health and success.



WELCOME SPEECH

Haider Farman,

President of the International Kurash Association

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to invite all IKA National Federation Members to participate in the IKA and XV World Kurash Seniors Championships and IKA Congress, which will be held in Bojnord North Khorasan, Islamic Republic of Iran January 31 to 5 February, 2026. World Championship is the biggest event of the IKA, and we would like you to join us to celebrate this glamorous event. Finally, I would like to thank the Sport Ministry, Olympic Committee of Islamic Republic of Iran and the Iran Kurash Association for all the hard work and support. I am looking forward to welcoming you all in January in Bojnord North Khorasan and we would like you to join us to celebrate this glamorous event.



WELCOME SPEECH

Bahman Nouri, Governor-General of Iran's North Khorasan Province In the Name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

It is an honour and a pleasure that North Khorasan Province and the city of Bojnourd are hosting the athletes, coaches, referees, officials, and esteemed guests of the fifteenth World Kurash Championships from various countries around the world.

The hosting of this major global and international event is a clear manifestation of the solidarity of nations, the promotion of a culture of peace and friendship, and the constructive role of sports in bringing human societies closer together. Kurash, as a sport with deep roots and an ethical foundation, is a symbol of chivalry, mutual respect, and healthy competition, and your esteemed presence will add to the richness of these competitions.

North Khorasan Province, with its rich cultural background, diversity of ethnicities, and hospitable people, is honoured to host these valuable sports gathering and hopes that your stay in this province will be accompanied by pleasant and lasting memories of our dear Iran

Wishing success to all participating athletes, I hope these competitions will be held with healthy, fair, and dignified competition worthy of the global Kurash community and will be an effective step on the path of development and elevation of international sports.

I welcome all of our distinguished guests and wish you good health, success, and a pleasant stay in North Khorasan.



WELCOME SPEECH

Dariush Khosroyar- President of Iran Kurash Association

In the Name of God, the Compassionate and the Just

Esteemed participants, honourable coaches, respected referees, and dear guests at the fifteenth edition of the World Kurash Championships,

On the threshold of this grand sporting event, with a heart full of pride and hospitality, I warmly welcome you champions and veterans of Kurash from all around the world.

It is a great honour that Iran, especially North Khorasan Province and Bojnourd County—the cradle of Iran's renowned Kurash champions—is hosting this global gathering. A city deeply rooted in the history of this sport, which has introduced many illustrious figures to the world.

Kurash is not merely a sport; it is a symbol of peace, respect, and brotherhood among nations. Today, you are ambassadors of these noble values, and your presence in this land testifies to the cultural and athletic bonds between nations.

I sincerely thank all the organizers, partner organizations, and the hospitable people of Bojnourd who have worked tirelessly to make this edition of the championships possible. I hope our hospitality provides you with a memorable and vibrant experience.

I wish you all success, health, and a passionate and fair competition.

May this gathering be another step toward promoting peace and friendship in the world.



COMPETITION INFORMATION

Organizer: **Iran Kurash Association**

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Competition Venue: Bojnord Alidokht Complex



1. Eligibility of Athletes, Weight and Age Categories

Seniors

Age limit: Minimum Age 17 years (2009)

Categories of Men: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, -120kg +120kg

Categories of Women: -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, -87kg, +87kg.

Men: **4 minutes**

Women: **3 minutes**

Each Nation can enter maximum 1 player in each weight category.

All players must be citizens of the country they represent in order to compete.

The players representing only National Kurash Federations – Official members of the IKA can compete at World championship.

Each nation can enter maximum 2 Referee with International 3 star (accommodation-double occupancy and meals will be covered by IKA).

2. Competition System

Elimination system (knock out), if 5 or fewer players in one weight category Round Robin system will apply.

3. Competition Rules

The championships will be governed by the International Kurash Association rules (E.O.R).

The English language version of the rules is available at the IKA official site www.kurash-ika.org

1. Please note under new rules approved in 2017 any player without standard Yakhtak will be automatically disqualified once on the Gilam.
2. Due to the rules and regulations of the Islamic Republic of Iran it is compulsory to wear Hijab for ladies during the competition period.

4. Referees

Referee Exam:

The Referee exams quota MAX 4 candidates Per Country for 2 candidates in 2 star and 2 candidates in 3-star, MAX 4 candidates per country (Host country may enter total of 6 examinees). English Language Needed!

After online registration and checking the candidate's experience, IKA TD will send a confirmation.

Exam costs: USD 250 (USD) for 2 star and USD 400 (USD) for 3 stars. All Participants must cover all their costs.

Referee exams are taken during the championship.

Please Register at: <https://kurash-ika.org/2022/06/30/documents-ika/>

ALL EXPENSES REGARDING THE REFEREE EXAMINES ARE COVERED BY REFEREES THEMSELVES.

5. Registration

A) Athletes

IKA affiliated National Federations can send **1 athlete** in each weight category who is already registered in the IKA system.

- B) **Congress Delegates:** Congress Delegates shall register through the IKA Online Registration System, completing the required forms. (Maximum two delegates can attend the IKA congress)

6. Requirements

All athletes must bring to the official Weigh-In the following documents:

- Passport or
- Accreditation Card with valid photo.

7. Athletes' Uniform

All players must bring and use their IKA-approved and standard Kurash uniform – Yakhtak (blue and green). Please note under new rules approved in 2017 any player without standard Yakhtak will be automatically disqualified once on the Gilam.

8. Transportation

- Airport Reception:
- All participants will be expected to arrive at Mashhad International Airport (MHD).
- The official arrival airport is Mashhad International Airport (MHD). The following airlines operate to Mashhad (Fly Dubai, Air Arabia, Turkish Airlines, Qatar Airways, Kuwait Airways)
- From Mashhad International Airport to Bojnourd by car or by bus, for Border crossing please contact to Iran Kurash Association
- Border Reception
- There will be a welcome desk to guide all teams at the points of arrival and departure.
- The LOC will provide local transportation between the Hotel, Competition Venue and Training Venue(s) during the Championships Period.
- The LOC will also provide pick up and drop off at the airport / or up-to-border point.
- Please note that the pickup is only available Mashhad International Airport (MHD)

9. Accommodation for Team Delegations

HOTELS

VIP HOTEL- Dariush Hotel

ITO HOTEL- Amir Khanloo Hotel

ATHLETES- Athletes Hotel

- A) Room Rates for Team Delegations are as follows including three times meals and local transport:

Single :100\$

Double:70\$

Triple: 60\$

- B) The IKA and the OC will cover accommodation, 3-time meals, local transport **FREE for 2 representatives per delegation double occupancy.**

C) Payment of Hotel Room Charges:

- All delegations must pay the full room charges at the time of registration in CASH and USD\$ up on arrival, as the Organizing Committee will not be able to accept any other form of payment

- Delegations will not be allowed to receive accreditations and hotel room keys if they do not first clear the payment of full hotel room charges.
- D. Check-In and Check-Out:
- The room rates provided for the Event only apply from Jan 31 (at 12:00); Feb 5
- Extra Team Officials:
- Team Official are allowed to stay at the Athletes Hotel at their own expenses;
- The LOC has the right to change the hotel in case of over occupancy.

10. Insurance

All participants are requested to get their own travel and medical insurance.

11. Doping Control

Doping control shall be conducted under the IKA Anti-Doping Rules and following the World Anti-Doping Code under the supervision of the ITA International Testing Agency.

12. Medals and Awards

Gold, Silver and 2 (two) Bronze Medals will be awarded to the winners in each weight category, along with diplomas. As well as WSP Ranking Points.

13. Training Facility

The LOC will provide the required training facilities on January 31-01 Feb (information will be provided upon arrival). Reservation required.

14. Registration Deadlines

- A. The deadline for registration is **10 JANUARY**
- B. The deadline to apply for visa (if needed) **10 JANUARY**
- C. The deadline for arrival (fly ticket) is **20 JANUARY**

15. Visa

The OC will grant assistance to all delegations on Visa matters.

16. Registration Link

<https://registration.kurash.org/>

17. Due to the rules and regulations of the Islamic Republic of Iran it is compulsory to wear Hijab for ladies during the competition period.

PROGRAMME OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

January/31/SAT	01:00-24:00	The arrival of all teams/ Accreditation/Registration/	Mashhad International Airport
	06:00-21:00	Accreditation/Yakhtak Back number	Registration Center
February /01/SUN	01:00-24:00	The arrival of all teams/ Accreditation/Registration/	Mashhad International Airport
	06:00-21:00	Accreditation/Yakhtak Back number	Registration Center
	09:00-12:00	Refereeing Seminar/Coaching Practical Seminar	Bojnord university
	09:00-12:00	Anti-Doping Seminar	Bojnord university
	12:00-13:00	Lunch	Bojnord university
	14:00-18:00	Refereeing Seminar/Coaching Practical Seminar	Bojnord university
	18:00-19:00	Dinner	Hotel
February /02/MON	06:00-21:00	Accreditation/Yakhtak Back number	Registration Center Hotel
	08:00-11:00	Refereeing Seminar/Coaching Practical Seminar	Bojnord university
	09:00-18:00	Training for teams (Reservation needed)	Kurash Asia International Training Camp
	12:00-13:00	Lunch	Hotel
	13:00-14:00	IKA DC Meeting	Hotel Dariush
	14:00-15:00	IKA Press Conference	Hotel Dariush
	15:00-17:00	IKA Ordinary Congress	Hotel Dariush
	17:00-18:00	IKA Technical Meeting	Hotel Dariush
	18:00-19:00	Draw	Hotel Dariush
February /03/TUE	06:00-07:00	Unofficial Weigh-in for Men: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, -120kg, +120kg	Athletes Hotel
	07:00-10:00	Official Weigh-in for Men: 60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, -120kg, +120kg	Athletes Hotel
	10:00-11:00	Preliminary Men: 60kg, - 66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, -120kg, +120kg	Alidokht Sports Center
	11:00-12:00	Opening Ceremony	Alidokht Sports Center
	12:00-13:00	Lunch	Hotel
	14:00-20:00	Semi Finals/Finals	Alidokht Sports Center
		Awarding Ceremony	Alidokht Sports Center

February /04/WED	06:00-07:00	Unofficial Weigh-in for Women: 48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, -87kg, +87kg	Athletes Hotel
	07:00-10:00	Official Weigh-in for Women: -: 48kg, -52kg, - 57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, - 87kg, +87kg	Athletes Hotel
	10:00-11:00	Preliminary Women: 48kg, - 52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, - 78kg, -87kg, +87kg	Alidokht Sports Center
	12:00-13:00	Lunch	Alidokht Sports Center
	14:00-20:00	Semi Finals/Finals	Alidokht Sports Center
		Awarding Ceremony	Alidokht Sports Center
February /05/THU	01:00-24:00	Departure	Mashhad International Airport

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