



Canadian National Taekwon-Do Group (ITF)



Winter 2010 Newsletter

FIRST EDITION

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Welcome to the first edition of our Newsletter! We hope that the New Year finds you in good health and high spirits. 2009 was a challenging year on many fronts, but to many it also yielded growth in unexpected areas. 2010 is set to be a great year.

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1. NGB REGISTRATION

We are proud to confirm that we are now a federally registered non-profit organization. This achievement came after months of negotiations and hard work from a number of our dedicated members and has laid the groundwork for many possibilities.

2. ITF PLAQUE FEES

This is a friendly reminder that the ITF plaque fees were due January 1. If you have not renewed your ITF plaque with ITF HQ in Vienna, please make sure you take care of this as soon as possible so that it does not impact your do-jang adversely.

3. CNTG AFFILIATION FEE

The NGB's affiliation fee, as you are aware, is due at the start of each calendar year. Although some members have proactively submitted their membership fee, if you have not already, please ensure that you submit the \$100 fee *per named school* before **March 31, 2010**. It is important to note that this is not based on ITF plaque numbers, but on the name of schools. For example, if you have two locations, each with a different school (e.g. North TKD and South TKD) name but all under one ITF plaque number, the CNTG membership fee is \$200. If all locations have the same name (e.g. City TKD), it is \$100. Please see the attached form for instructions. The form is also available in a format you can fill out on your computer at www.ITF-Canada.com!

4. ITF PASSPORTS

As some of you may be aware, the ITF has now instituted passports. The expectation is that every black belt holds their own ITF Passport. Each major event in that black belt's training is identified by a 2D barcode (such as rank testing, major tournaments, official seminars) that will be issued by the NGB to your school's Head Instructor as listed in our membership records. **It is important for us to note that the ITF expects every black belt to hold an ITF Passport or no grading will be approved by the ITF HQ after March 2010.** The fee for this passport is CAD\$50. Please see the enclosed ITF Passport application form. One form must be completed for each black belt. Please send completed forms and funds to (see the form for instructions, which is also available at www.ITF-Canada.com):

RBC Royal Bank
Marc-André Roy
1801 Mont-Royal Avenue East
Montreal, Quebec H2H 1J2

5. CNTG WEBSITE

The CNTG continues to have a website at www.ITF-Canada.com. As a number of members have commented, there have not been many updates. We are committed to sharing all that happens in Canada, however, we need the contribution from all of our members. Moving forward, we ask that digital pictures be sent to ITF.Canada@gmail.com after:

- Black belt grade testing
- Tournaments
- Seminars
- Community achievements
- Major educational achievements
- Achievements of special needs students
- Fundraiser
- YouTube video links of special training, tournaments and other videos.

Also, please send all events for 2010 and 2011 to ITF.Canada@gmail.com. We can only post events we are made aware of!

6. EVENT CALENDAR

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| April: | • 3, "4 th Open US ITF Tournament", North Carolina |
| May: | • 6 to 9: "Caribbean Taekwon-Do Championships 2010" |
| June: | • 12: "Intercontinental Cup", Ottawa
• CNTG National Trials for 2011 ITF World Championships in Korea |
| August: | • 21-28: "Junior and Veteran ITF World Championships", Minsk, Belarus |