

25.18 MUAY THAI

25.18.1 COMPETITION DATES

October 26 – 30, 2025

25.18.2 COMPETITION VENUES

Ramon Magsaysay Memorial College
Basic Education Gymnasium

25.18.3 COMPETITION MANAGEMENT



Tournament Director

Asst. Tournament
Director

**MUAYTHAI ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES
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25.18.4 COMPETITION EVENTS

25.18.4.1 Combat

The combat competition shall have the following weight and age categories:

25.18.4.1.1 Youth Division

YOUTH 12 - 13				YOUTH 14 - 15			
MALE		FEMALE		MALE		FEMALE	
1	32	32	1	-	-	36	1
2	34	34	2	1	38	38	2
3	36	36	3	2	40	40	3
4	38	38	4	3	42	42	4
5	40	40	5	4	45	45	5
6	42	42	6	5	48	48	6
7	44	44	7	6	51	51	7
8	46	46	8	7	54	54	8
9	48	48	9	8	57	57	9
10	50	50	10	9	60	60	10
11	52	52	11	10	63.5	63.5	11
12	54	54	12	11	67	67	12
13	56	56	13	12	71	71	13



14	58	58	14		-	-	(+) 71	14
15	60	60	15		13	75	-	-
16	63.5	63.5	16		14	81	-	-
-	-	(+) 63.5	17		15	(+) 81	-	-
17	67	-	-				-	-

YOUTH 16 - 17			
MALE		FEMALE	
-	-	42	1
1	45	45	2
2	48	48	3
3	51	51	4
4	54	54	5
5	57	57	6
6	60	60	7
7	63.5	63.5	8
8	67	67	9
9	71	71	10
10	75	75	11
-	-	(+) 75	12
11	81	-	-
12	86	-	-
13	91	-	-
14	(+) 91	-	-
-	-	-	-

25.18.4.2 Wai Kru (Individual)

Each competing team can only enter one (1) Male and (1) Female Athlete per division of the individual contest.

25.18.4.3 Mai Muay (Duo)

Each competing team can enter (1) Male Team and (1) Female Team, containing two (2) athletes per division of the duo contest.

25.18.5 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
-	October 24	ALL DAY	Arrival – Technical Officials
Day 1	October 25	07:00 - 09:00 AM 09:00 - 10:00 AM 10:00 AM – 12:00 NN 01:00 - 05:00 PM	General Weigh In Entry Checking for Wai Kru/ Mai Muay Team Manager's Meeting Draw lots: 12-13 Male/Female Draw lots: 14-15 Male/Female Draw lots: 16-17 Male/Female Draw lots: Wai Kru (Male/Female 12-17) Draw lots: Mai Muay (Male/Female 12-17) OPENING CEREMONY
Day 2	October 26	07:00 - 09:00 AM 10:00 - 11:00 AM 01:00 - 03:00 PM 03:10 - 08:00 PM	Weigh-In Technical Officials Refresher 12-13 M/F Wai Kru Final Competition 14-15, 16-17 M/F Combat Elimination/Quarter
Day 3	October 27	07:00 - 09:00 AM 10:00 - 11:00 AM 01:00 - 03:00 PM 03:10 - 08:00 PM	Weigh-In Technical Officials Refresher 14-15, 16-17 M/F Wai Kru Final Competition 12-13 M/F Combat Elimination/Quarter
Day 4	October 28	07:00 - 09:00 AM 10:00 - 11:00 AM 01:00 - 03:00 PM 03:10 - 08:00 PM	Weigh-In Technical Officials Refresher 12-13 M/F Combat Elimination/Quarter 14-15, 16-17 M/F Combat Quarter/ Semi-Final
Day 5	October 29	07:00 - 09:00 AM 10:00 - 11:00 AM 01:00 - 03:00 PM 03:10 - 08:00 PM	Weigh-In Technical Officials Refresher 12-13 M/F Mai Muay Final Competition 14-15, 16-17 M/F Combat Quarter/ Semi-Final
Day 6	October 30	07:00 - 09:00 AM 09:00 – 11:00 AM 01:00 - 03:00 PM 03:10 - 05:00 PM 05:30 - 07:00 PM	Weigh-In Awarding Ceremony for Wai Kru/ Mai Muay 12-13 M/F Final Bouts 14-15, 16-17 M/F Final Bouts Awarding Ceremony for Combat 12-17 M/F

25.18.6 ELIGIBILITY

25.18.6.1 To be eligible for participation in the Batang Pinoy, a competitor must comply with the Philippine Sports Commission Batang Pinoy guidelines as well as the Muaythai Association of the Philippines, the sole governing body of Amateur Muaythai sports in the Philippines.

The competing athlete shall be aged 17 years and below and endorsed and entered by their Local Government Unit (LGU). All participating athletes shall represent only one LGU.



25.18.7 COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Muaythai competition of the Batang Pinoy 2025 will be held in accordance with the Philippine Sports Commission and the Muaythai Association of the Philippines as well as the International Federation of Muaythai Associations Rules and Regulations.

Any unforeseen cases not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be resolved as follows:

General Issues: To be resolved in accordance with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Batang Pinoy Guidelines

Technical Issues: To be resolved in accordance with the IFMA Rules and Regulations and IFMA Norms.

25.18.7.1 Medical Check-ups

25.18.7.1.1 All competing athletes must have a medical check-up before the competition proper. The athlete must be certified to be fit to compete by the appointed qualified doctor as accomplished in the medical certificate submitted.

25.18.7.1.2 Any team wishing to change the division of an athlete after already completing the registration may do so provided that draw lots has not been conducted and request of changing or moving is informed to the Tournament Director before the weigh in.

25.18.7.1.3 Athletes' Record Book (Membership Books) must be presented at every Medical Check-up and weigh-in.

25.18.7.2 Awarding of points and scoring system

25.18.7.2.1 Combat

Points will be awarded whenever the athlete hits the opponent by punching, kicking, knee-ing or elbowing with force, lands on target, no infringement without being blocked or guarded against. The target for Muay thai means any part of the body except for the groin.

25.18.7.2.2 Wai Kru

The Wai Kru has a maximum total score of 100 points during an individual format.

25.18.7.2.3 Mai Muay

The duo format Mai Muay contest has a maximum combined total score of 100 points. Wai Kru performance has a maximum total score of 35 points and 65 points during the duo taksa performance.

25.18.7.2.4 Awarding of points of all Muay thai competitions shall always follow what is stipulated in the IFMA Rules and Regulations

25.18.7.2.5 The competing athlete shall be aged 17 years and below and endorsed and entered by their Local Government Unit (LGU). All participating athletes shall represent only one LGU.

25.18.8 COMPETITION FORMAT

There shall be 3 competition formats – the Combat, the Wai Kru and the Mai Muay. Each competing team can only enter one (1) Athlete per division of the individual contest, and one (1) Team, consisting of two (2) athletes per division for the duo contest.

25.18.8.1 Combat

All combat events will be conducted on an elimination system. Each bout will be competed over three (3) rounds with one (1) minute of rest in between each of the rounds. Stopping of the competition for warnings, cautions, counting,

putting clothing or equipment into order or for any other reason is not included in the period of round. No additional round may be given.

25.18.8.2 Wai Kru

Athletes shall perform a complete Wai Kru (Sitting and Standing) in the ring for not less than 3 minutes and not more than five (5) minutes.

25.18.8.3 Mai Muay

Athletes shall perform a complete Wai Kru (Sitting and Standing) and the combat performance in the ring for not less than five (5) minutes and not more than six (6) minutes.

25.18.9 NUMBER OF ENTRIES (Per Event)

25.18.9.1 Each LGU may enter a maximum of two (2) events per athlete (e.g. 1 Combat, 1 Wai Kru)

25.18.9.2 Each team is allowed to send only one contestant for each weight category of each combat discipline division (male, female).

25.18.9.3 Each team is allowed to send only one contestant for each division of the Wai Kru division (Male/Female).

25.18.9.4 Each team is allowed to send only one duo in each of the Mai Muay divisions (Male/Female).

25.18.10 TEAM LEADERS' MEETING AND DRAWS

The official entry shall be communicated to the Team Managers/Coaches latest by the evening of the Official Arrival Day, and any discrepancies or errors must be informed to the Technical Director. The draw will be published at the Team Managers' Meeting. During this, the team manager or coach or a selected representative from each participating LGU must be present, and the absentees will automatically waive their rights to change any corrections after the draw lots.

25.18.11 PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Any written protest must first be made and submitted by the Team Manager or Team Coach to the Technical Director within thirty (30) minutes after the end of the bout in which the protest is generated with the payment of a Protest Fee of PhP 5,000.00 non-refundable per protest payable to Technical Delegate. If conditions causing a potential protest are noted prior to the start of the event, a written protest must be lodged before the signal to start the event is given.

Protest procedure will be based on the IFMA rules and PSC Batang Pinoy Guidelines.

25.18.12 EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING/UNIFORM

25.18.12.1 Sports Equipment

All sports equipment used by athletes in competition must comply with the Philippine Sports Commission Guidelines and the International Federation of Muaythai Associations (IFMA) Rules and Regulations.

25.18.12.2 Competition Attire

All attire worn by athletes in competition must comply with the PSC and the IFMA Rules and Regulations.



25.18.12.2.1 Clothing and Dress - For combat, each athlete shall wear the competition clothing and dress – Muay thai shorts and singlet (red or blue). For Wai Kru and Mai Muay, athletes should wear the traditional Muay Boran uniform in any color except for black and be approved by IFMA.



Figure 1. Combat Competition Attire

Figure 2. Wai Kru and Mai Muay Attire



There are two elements the athlete should consider:

- 25.18.12.2.1.1** Costume must consist of a traditional top and short appropriate for athlete gender; and
- 25.18.12.2.1.2** Accessories including traditional hand bindings (hand wraps) and sash belt.

Each athlete must wear the sacred headband (Mong-Kon) to pay homage before entering the ring. A Krueng-Wrang (Prajiad/armband) with an amulet or charm may be worn around the upper arm, biceps or waist but must be neatly covered. The Mongkon & Prajiad are an athlete's personal belongings.

Athletes must not wear provocative uniforms.

25.18.12.2.2 Gum Shields - Gum shields shall be worn by an athlete before he begins any bout. The gum shield should be form-fitted. It is forbidden for an athlete to intentionally remove their gum shield during the competition. If the athlete does so, the athlete shall be warned or disqualified. If an athlete has his gum shield knocked out, the officiating referee shall take the athlete to the athlete's corner – have the gum shield cleaned and returned to its proper position. While this is being done, the team official(s) are not allowed to talk to their athletes.

25.18.12.2.3 Groin Protectors - The use of the groin guard is mandatory. For male athletes, a metal groin protector shall be worn; a jock strap may be worn in addition. To observe hygiene, all athletes must have their own groin protectors. Should the athletes' own groin protectors not pass official inspection before the bout, they may use one from the area where they receive the equipment.



Figure 3. Groin Guard for male athletes

25.18.12.2.4 Head Guard - The head-guard is an individual and form-fitted item of the athlete's equipment. The use of the head-guard conforming to IFMA specifications is mandatory. Athletes must come into the ring without their head guard – only after having been presented to the audience and Wai Kru has been completed should they put it on. The head guard shall be taken off immediately after the bout is over and before the decision is announced.

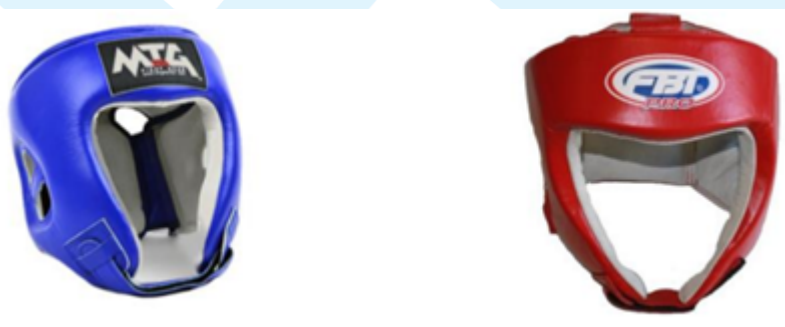


Figure 4. Head Guard

25.18.12.2.5 Shin Guards and Elbow Guards - The use of shin guards and elbow guards conforming to IFMA specifications is mandatory.



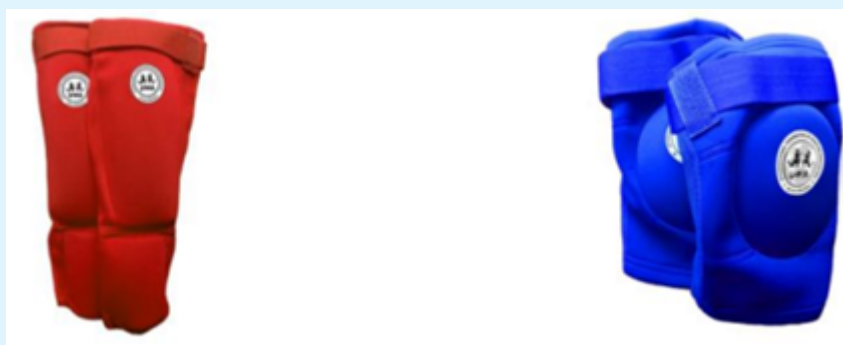


Figure 5. Shin and Elbow Guards

25.18.12.2.6 Body protectors - The use of body protectors conforming to IFMA specifications is mandatory.

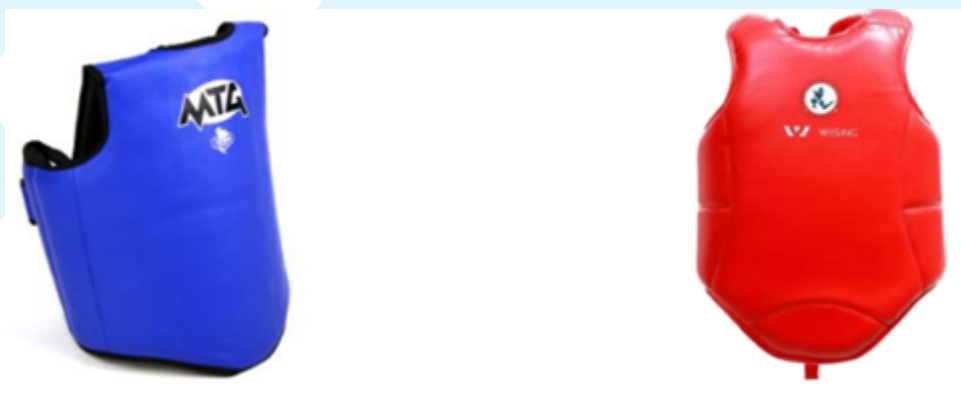


Figure 6. Body Protectors

25.18.12.2.7 Prohibited objects. The use of grease, Vaseline, rubbing liniment or products likely to be harmful or objectionable to an opponent on the arms or any other part of the body is forbidden.

A reasonable amount of Vaseline is permitted on the face only for the purpose of reducing the risk of cuts.

Athletes must be clean-shaven. Beards and moustaches are not allowed.

25.18.12.2.8 Dress infraction An officiating referee shall exclude from the bout any athlete who is not wearing the head-guard, groin guard, gum shield, shin guard, mongkon, elbow guard, breast protection if female and body protector as well or whoever is not clean and properly dressed.

If the athlete's glove or dress comes undone during the bout, the referee shall stop the competition to have it attended to.

25.18.12.3 Music

The traditional Muay Boran musical instruments (java pipe, small cymbals and two drums) will accompany the ritual. If a live band is not available, it is permissible to use Muay Boran music (known as 'Sarama' Wai Kru and 'Keck Jao Sen' Mai Muay) played from a recording.

For duo format Mai Muay contests, the transition from Wai Kru music to Mai Muay music will happen only when the Athletes have completed their Wai Kru performance. The Mai Muay music will not stop until the teams have completed their full performance.

For individual format Wai Kru contests, the music will not stop until the teams have completed their full performance.

