



# 2008 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES TAEKWONDO



**LOCATION:** Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River, Novi, MI

**DATES:**

Thursday, July 31	Athlete Check-In	Rock Financial Showplace
Thursday, July 31	Coaches'/Officials' Meetings	Rock Financial Showplace
Thursday, July 31	Weigh-In	Rock Financial Showplace
Friday, August 1	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
Saturday, August 2	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace

**AGE DETERMINING DATE:** Athletes shall compete at their age as of August 31, 2008.

**AGE DIVISIONS:** The following divisions will be offered for the 2008 event:

**FORMS:**

<u>AGE</u>	<u>GENDER</u>	<u>BELT DIVISIONS</u>
6-7	Male	Advanced and Black
6-7	Female	Advanced and Black
8-9	Male	Advanced and Black
8-9	Female	Advanced and Black
10-11	Male	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
10-11	Female	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
12-13	Male	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
12-13	Female	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
14-15	Male	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
14-15	Female	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
16-17	Male	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up
16-17	Female	Advanced, Black 1, Black 2 & Up

**POINT SPARRING:**

<u>AGE</u>	<u>GENDER</u>	<u>BELT DIVISIONS</u>	<u>WEIGHT CLASSES (in lbs.)</u>
6-7	Male	Advanced and Black	-45 / 45-55.9 / 56+
6-7	Female	Advanced and Black	-45 / 45-55.9 / 56+
8-9	Male	Advanced and Black	-60 / 60-70.9 / 71+
8-9	Female	Advanced and Black	-60 / 60-70.9 / 71+
10-11	Male	Advanced and Black	-75 / 75-85.9 / 86+
10-11	Female	Advanced and Black	-80 / 80-90.9 / 91+
12-13	Male	Advanced and Black	-100 / 100-115.9 / 116+
12-13	Female	Advanced and Black	-105 / 105-120.9 / 121+
14-15	Male	Advanced and Black	-115 / 115-145.9 / 146+
14-15	Female	Advanced and Black	-110 / 110-140.9 / 141+
16-17	Male	Advanced and Black	-135 / 135-165.9 / 166+
16-17	Female	Advanced and Black	-115 / 115-145.9 / 146+

**OLYMPIC SPARRING:**

<u>AGE</u>	<u>GENDER</u>	<u>BELT DIVISIONS</u>	<u>WEIGHT CLASSES</u>
6-7	Male	Advanced and Black	-40 / 40.1-52 / 52.1-65 / 65.1-78/78.1-90/90+
6-7	Female	Advanced and Black	same as male
8-9	Male	Advanced and Black	-55 / 55.1-67/67.1-80/80.1-92/92.1-105/105+
8-9	Female	Advanced and Black	same as male
10-11	Male	Advanced and Black	-65/65.1-78/78.1-90/90.1-102/102.1-115/115+
10-11	Female	Advanced and Black	same as male
12-13	Male	Advanced and Black	-75.0/75.1-87/87.1-100/100.1-112/112.1-125/125+
12-13	Female	Advanced and Black	-70.0/70.1-82/82.1-94/94.1-105/106.1-120/120+
14-17	Male	Advanced	-105.7/105.7-121.0/121.1-138.6/138.7-160.6/160.7+
14-17	Female	Advanced	-96.9/96.9-107.8/107.9-121.0/121.1-138.6/138.7+
14-17	Male	Black (Olympic Rules)	-99/99-105.6/105.7-112.2/112.3-121.0/121.1-129.8
14-17	Female	Black (Olympic Rules)	129.9-138.6/138.7-149.6/149.7-160.6/160.7-171.6/171.7+
			-92.4/92.4-96.8/96.9-101.2/101.3-107.8/107.9-114.4
			114.5-121.0/121.1-129.8/129.9-138.6/138.7-149.6/149.7+

**The tournament committee reserves the right to further divide or combine divisions depending on the number of competitors registered to compete in each.**

**SPECIAL NOTES:** For AAU Taekwondo Competitions: Advanced Divisions consist of both Red and Brown Belts. Black Belt Divisions are meant to include Junior Black as well. If your school or club uses any other belt ranking order or system, your athlete should conform to the above-mentioned criteria. **Also Poom Belts (half red and half black) should only be worn by JUNIOR Black Belts age 15 and younger ONLY!**

Olympic Sparring Division is Modified WTF (Olympic) type sparring. If your athlete has not been trained and had experience with this type of sparring, NOW is **NOT** the time to begin.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION

**& ENTRY DEADLINE:** **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE at [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org).**

Entries must be completed online by **Sunday, July 13, 2008**. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE DATE OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE.**

The Local Organizing Committee and the AAU have spent many hours planning and preparing for this AAU Event. In order to make it a great success, we are asking for your cooperation. It is the responsibility of the parent, coach, instructor, and athlete to ensure that the application is in on time and **complete in every detail**.

**ENTRY FEE:**

One (1) or two (2) events	\$70.00
Three (3) individual events	\$80.00
Team Forms	\$45.00 per three (3) member team

Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express are accepted. **To register, visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org).**

**AAU MEMBERSHIP:** All athletes, coaches, and officials must be members of AAU and be able to present their AAU membership card on demand. AAU membership numbers will be needed in order to register online for the competition. Coaches and officials may have the non-athlete membership card.

In addition, all athletes must be prepared to produce a copy of their birth certificate at athlete check-in and/or at the competition site.

**COACHES/OFFICIALS:** **All coaches must register for the event online at [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org) by July 13, 2008.** The coaches' entry fee is \$40. An additional \$10 will be charged for coaches entry forms submitted after the entry deadline or for on-site registration.

**IN ADDITION**, all coaches and officials must attend the appropriate **NATIONAL** clinic to be held on Thursday, July 31 at the Rock Financial Showplace. The Coaches Clinic will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Officials Clinic will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The National Coach's Clinic Fee will be \$20.00 and includes your AAU Taekwondo Coach's Pass to get on the competition floor. Checks should be made payable to the National AAU Taekwondo Fund and paid **at the clinic to the clinic instructor only**. **This clinic fee is separate from any and all other fees charged by the Local Organizing Committee in order to obtain coaches'/athletes' credentials.** In addition, those officials or coaches who do not have the current AAU Taekwondo handbook will be required to purchase it at \$10.00. To obtain a copy, visit our website at [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org).

Please Note: All coaches must have been previously certified in order to coach or work at this event. **Unless you can substantiate that you have met this criteria, you will not be allowed into the National Clinic or onto the competition floor!**

**Again, all coaches must also attend the National Clinic to obtain the AAU Taekwondo Coach's Pass to get on the competition floor.**

**RULES:** AAU Taekwondo rules shall apply to all Taekwondo competition at the AAU Junior Olympic Games. Again, please refer to the AAU Taekwondo Handbook.

**QUALIFICATION:** Qualification to the event must be determined by actual competition. Qualification may only be determined through: (A) AAU District Championships, (B) AAU Regional Championships, (C) AAU Regional Junior Olympic Games Qualifiers or (D) the prior year's AAU Junior Olympic Games.

A, B, and C above may qualify the top eight (8) athletes from each appropriate age and belt division category to participate in the AAU Junior Olympic Games. Last year's AAU Junior Olympic Games Gold Medallists are also eligible to participate.

**AWARDS:** AAU Junior Olympic Games medals will be awarded to the top four (4) competitors in each division competed.

**UNIFORMS:** All contestants must wear a clean, **white** dobok. Patches will be limited to the AAU Taekwondo patch, which must be worn on the upper left breast. Other than this one patch, the uniform must be **totally free of any other embellishment** including school logo with the exception of corporate brand names/logos (i.e., Macho, Adidas, USA Spirits, etc.) and Black Trim (collar only for Black Belts). See AAU Taekwondo Handbook for further description.

**MANDATORY EQUIPMENT:** **Point Sparring:** All competitors must wear full hand and foot protectors (RED foam dipped or vinyl only), FULL headgear (RED or WHITE FOAM dipped only), and mouth guard. Male competitors must also wear groin cup and supporter.

**Olympic Sparring:** All competitors must wear an Olympic style chest protector, headgear, shin/instep protectors (white only), forearm protectors (white only) mouth guard and groin protector.

**CHECK-IN & WEIGH-IN:** Check-In for all athletes, coaches, clubs and teams participating in the AAU Junior Olympic Games will be held at the Rock Financial Showplace. Please follow the posted signs to the Check-In Area. For check-in hours, mapping and additional directions please visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org) or refer to the Event Handbook.

**Athletes should first check-in with 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games personnel at the Rock Financial Showplace and pick up their credentials, t-shirt, certificate, and goody bag prior to check-in/weigh-in with the Taekwondo Committee.**

All AAU Taekwondo athletes must also check-in and weigh-in with the AAU Taekwondo Committee on Thursday, July 31 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Rock Financial Showplace. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** At that time your weight AND what events you have entered will be verified by the Committee. Failure to weigh-in will prohibit you from participating in any sparring event. Those who fail to "make weight" may be automatically disqualified from sparring competition (i.e. if you register, as a lightweight you **MUST** come in under the weight as prescribed for your age bracket according to AAU Taekwondo rules). The national committee reserves the right to move athletes up in weight class, but will not move an athlete down.

**DIRECTIONS:** The Rock Financial Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI 48374. For specific driving directions and maps, please visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org).

**BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** All athletes must be prepared to produce a birth certificate at Taekwondo Committee check-in or at the competition site.

**SCHEDULE:** Thursday, July 31

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Athlete Weigh-In	Rock Financial Showplace
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Coaches' Clinic	Rock Financial Showplace
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Officials' Clinic	Rock Financial Showplace

Friday, August 1

9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Taekwondo Opening Ceremony	Rock Financial Showplace
9:30 a.m.	Individual and Team Forms Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
	Immediately followed by Point Sparring Competition	

Saturday, August 2

9:00 a.m.	Individual Olympic Sparring	Rock Financial Showplace
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**HOUSING:** The Detroit Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau will handle all requests for hotels. **To make reservations, visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org) and click on Housing.** For assistance, please call the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau at (800) DETROIT or (800) 338-7648. You will need to have the following information ready when making reservations:

1. The sport in which you will compete
2. The number of people in your party
3. The number of rooms you need
4. Your arrival and departure dates
5. Your credit card number

Important: **Please check online or with the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau regarding deposit requirements and cancellation policies. AAU is not responsible for any refunds from cancellations.**

**PARKING:** Parking is \$5 per day at the Rock Financial Showplace. Please visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org) for additional parking information.

**CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:**

The 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games **Celebration of Athletes** will be held on Monday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. on the campus of Eastern Michigan University at Olds-Marshall Track. All athletes are encouraged to attend, as you won't want to miss this year's celebration. Check the web site at [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org) for more announcements on the **Celebration of Athletes**.

**FOOD:** All 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain the exclusive rights to concessions. Outside food and beverage are not permitted throughout the duration of the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games. No coolers at any venue.

**ADMISSION FEE:** Admission to all venues and the Celebration of Athletes for credentialed participants is included in your entry fee. Please note that you must check-in and pick up your athlete or coach credential prior to receiving admittance into any venue, including the Celebration of Athletes. All other spectators will be able to enjoy any of the sporting events and ceremonies throughout the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games by purchasing an admission ticket that is valid for all the sports involved in the Games. For more information, please refer to the *Event Handbook* or visit [www.aaujrogames.org](http://www.aaujrogames.org).

**SECURITY:** All 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain the right to search any bags, backpacks, purses, jackets, etc. throughout the duration of the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games.

**TRANSPORTATION:** All athletes, coaches, and fans are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events, and hotels.

**PARTICIPATION:** The AAU cannot and does not guarantee the appearance and/or participation of specific participant(s) and/or teams (as applicable) in this event. The AAU has sanctioned (approved) this Event as an official AAU Event (competition), but the AAU is not and shall not be responsible for any participant's or spectator's expenses related to this Event (nor reimbursements for same) in case of dissatisfaction of any participant, friend, family, or spectator, this includes, but is not limited to all travel, hotel (lodging), food, entry fees and/or any other expenses related to the event.

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