



Montana Taekwondo Association

MTA Tournament Equipment Rental Guidelines & Agreement

MTA Mats & Electronic Scoring Equipment

The Montana Taekwondo Association feels it is important that Montana's Taekwondo athletes be able to compete using the most up-to-date equipment possible, and that MTA clubs be able to host highly professional, first-class events. The MTA is fortunate to be able to provide MTA-affiliated clubs with the use of competition mats and the latest electronic Taekwondo scoring equipment to enhance everyone's overall Taekwondo experience at MTA-affiliated tournaments, clinics, and related activities.

Currently the MTA owns enough mats and equipment to fully equip four (4) rings for Taekwondo competitions, clinics, and scrimmages as well as an enclosed trailer for storing and transporting these resources around the state from event to event.

Are There Fees for Using the MTA's Equipment?

Yes. While it would be nice if the MTA could offer this service free of charge, the reality is that there are significant costs related to the upkeep and storage of this equipment. Puzzle mat pieces wear out, software has to be upgraded periodically, and hardware breaks down over time and has to be repaired or replaced – all at significant expense to the MTA. Therefore, the MTA must charge rental on the mats and equipment to cover these expenses and ensure that all of these resources are available and functioning whenever needed.

The current rental fee is **\$100.00 per ring**. If you rent ALL 4 RINGS the fee is discounted to **\$350.00** total. The items below are included for each ring:

- **Puzzle Mats** – 64 pieces per ring (8 X 8 meter ring).
- **Laptop Computer** – Used to operate the Ringmaster Tournament Management Software.
- **Ringmaster Software** – Used to manage sparring and forms competitions.
- **Large Flat Screen Monitor** – Used to display scores during matches (scoreboard).
- **Handgrips, Cables & Encoder Box** – 4 pairs of handgrips, 4 cables, and a 4-judge encoder box (for connecting handgrips to the computer).
- **Carrying Case & All Additional Cables** – Computer cables, monitor cables, USB cables, extension cords, and surge protectors (everything needed to make the system work).
- **Miscellaneous** – Spare parts and cables (in case a handgrip or cable fails, etc.).

Transporting the Equipment to Your Event

- The electronic scoring equipment will be brought to your event and set up by an MTA representative the day before or morning of your event. That representative will then return the equipment to the MTA following your event.
- You are responsible for transporting the mats to your event using the MTA's trailer. To do so, you must arrange, at your expense, for a truck capable of hauling the trailer (half-ton is adequate), and you must pay all fuel costs. Be sure that your insurance will cover the trailer and mats in case of an accident or damage as you are responsible for their safekeeping for as long as they are in your possession.
- The mats and trailer will always be stored at the location (city) of the NEXT event so the director/host of the next event has access to the equipment when the time arrives to set up for their event. To facilitate this, following your event the director/host of the next event is responsible for taking the

mats and trailer away and parking them in a safe location until used and then passed on to the director/host who plans to rent them for his/her event. **Note that this can mean parking the trailer for months during slow periods when there are few events.** Locks are provided for securing the trailer.

- If you do not use all four sets of mats, you may chose to transport the mats you need using another means of transportation; however, at the conclusion of your event you must either (1) return the mats to the trailer for safe storage, or (2) agree to safely store and then transport the mats in your possession to the next event at your own expense.
- If you do not rent all four sets of mats, but use the MTA’s trailer to transport them (containing all four sets of mats) you will only be charged for the rings you use for your event. The above points still apply.

RENTAL AGREEMENT

- I am renting...

£ One (1) ring for \$100.00

£ Two (2) rings for \$200.00

£ Three (3) rings for \$300.00

£ Four (4) rings for \$350.00

...to be used at the event and on the dates listed below. I understand that I may use them for that event ONLY and that additional use while in my possession may result in additional fees.

- I agree to be responsible for the transportation and safe and secure storage of the MTA’s equipment in accordance with the guidelines above.
- I understand that my fee is to ensure that the MTA can maintain these resources based on normal wear and tear and agree to repair or replace equipment that is stolen, damaged, or destroyed due to my negligence or misuse at the MTA’s discretion.

Name of Your Event:		
Expected Date:	Expected Location:	
Your Name:	Name of the Host Club:	
Club Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP:
Phone:	Email:	
Location where the Trailer will be Stored (REQUIRED):	Additional Contact Info (If Different from Above):	

Signature

Date