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The following brochure serves as your formal invitation to attend and/or participate in the 31st Panamerican senior championship to be held in Curacao from the 23rd to 27th of May 2017 and aims to provide you with all the necessary information you require to ensure that you, your contestants, your contestants families and friends have a successful tournament and an enjoyable stay here in beautiful Curacao.

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ABOUT CURACAO

Introduction

Colorful Curaçao is a vibrant mix of cultures - from the colonial architecture of the Dutch to the mouth-watering cuisine of the Creole. The island's handsome UNESCO heritage capital of Willemstad offers visitors a window into the past with its pastel-colored houses and cobblestone plazas.

While elsewhere, the island's rolling desert plains hide a myriad of scenic gems, from hidden rocky coves trimmed by massive cliffs, to long sandy beaches flanked by clear blue-green water. Leafy nature trails offer quiet seclusion while music-filled malls bustle with bag-laden shoppers and cut-price deals.

WELCOME TO OUR BEAUTIFUL ISLAND

We have gathered some useful and interesting information about Curacao which we thought might be useful for planning your trip or getting to know our small but beautiful island.

Besides general information, you can go to the website www.curacao.com

History of Curaçao

Curaçao, the largest of the now disbanded Netherlands Antilles, was first inhabited by South American Arawaks who were enslaved by Spanish colonists after their arrival in 1499 under Alonso de Ojeda, one of Columbus' lieutenants.

When the Netherlands gained independence from Spain in 1634 the Dutch East India Company seized control of the island, establishing its capital Willemstad on a natural harbor.

Slaves were then imported to provide labor, initially for the salt mines, but subsequently for agricultural plantations and the island changed hands between the Dutch, the British and the French several times during the 18th and 19th centuries, before stable Dutch rule was re-established in 1815.

The abolition of slavery in 1863 triggered economic decline, relieved in 1915 when Royal Dutch Shell built an oil refinery on the site of the former slave market at Asiento. It has been the hub of Curacao's economy ever since and provided a major source of fuel for Allied forces during WWII.

Curaçao gained self-rule in 1954 as an island territory of the Netherlands Antilles and in 1984, the 30th anniversary of the first elected Island Council saw the inauguration of a national flag and anthem; then 21 years later islanders voted in favor of separate status, which was finally confirmed by the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles and the creation of Curaçao as a country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands on 10 October 2010.

Did you know?

- Curaçao also includes the uninhabited island of Klein Curaçao.

Capital: Willemstad.

Government: Autonomous within the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Head of state: King Willem-Alexander since 2013, represented by Governor Lucille George-Wout, since 2013.

Head of government: Prime Minister Bernard Whiteman since 2015.

General information

Electricity:

The voltage on outlets in Curacao is 120/127 volts AC, 50Hz. American-style plugs with two flat pins (with or without round grounding pin) are used. Hotels may also have a 220 volts outlet for shavers. Travelers are advised to bring along a power converter and an adapter.

Water

The tap water in Curacao is of excellent quality and you can drink from any tap. Bottled water is available at all supermarkets, snack bars and kiosk.

Airlines

Curacao is quick and easy to reach by plane. Most mayor airlines fly to Curacao.

Currency

Curacao currency is the Antillean guilder (also called the florin), which abbreviated as ANG.

US dollars circulate freely, so it is possible to get by using only American dollars or credit cards

Exchange rates may vary slightly at stores and hotels. You can find daily exchange rate information at one of our local banks and/or are listed in the daily papers. Visit www.centralbank.cw for the current exchange rates.

Euros are accepted at some hotels and restaurants, but unlike US dollars, they do not circulate freely.

Mayor credit cards are accepted almost everywhere on the island.

Religion

The majority of the population is Roman Catholic, with Protestant minorities, both evangelical and other low-church denominations. There is also a Baha'i temple and a synagogue.

Social conventions

The social influences are predominantly Dutch, combined with Indian and African traditions. Men wear tropical lightweight suits for business appointments and formal wear for evening engagements. Similarly, women should take some evening wear, but dress for daytime is casual. Swimwear should be confined to the beach and poolside.

Language

Dutch is the official language. Papiamentu (a mixture of Dutch, Spanish, Portuguese, English, Arawak Indian and several African languages) is the lingua franca; English and Spanish are also widely spoken. There are 50 different nationalities.

Weather & climate

The temperature is throughout the year 30°C, but tempered by cooling trade winds though humidity is still around 75%. The main rainy season is from October to December. The annual mean temperature is 27.5°C (81.5°F) with rainfall 515mm (20 inches). Curaçao lies outside the Caribbean 'hurricane belt'.

Local travel

When taking a taxi, always check that it is a registered one and negotiate the price before taking the ride. Most taxis do not have meters.

Road travel / parking

If you are renting a car in Curacao, it is important to pay attention to the parking arrangements. Traffic drives on the right-hand side. Main road conditions are relatively good, but roads can become slippery when wet. You will need to pay for parking throughout the city center.

There are parking meters that tell you exactly how much and how to pay throughout the city. Make sure you adhere to them because the city pursues a strict parking policy. A parking fine may be imposed but depending on where you parked your car, this may also be towed away.

And this is a costly and unpleasant experience.

Mobile calling

When in Curacao, you may use the local network with your own mobile telephone. The cost for mobile telephone calls depends on your own service provider. You can also buy a prepaid phone card. These cards are available at various prices at supermarkets, gas stations and phone shops.

International Dialing Codes

The country code of Curacao is +5999.

If you want to call a number abroad from Curacao, dial "00" followed by the country code.

Internet

Curacao has numerous places where you can use a computer with internet access, including internet cafes, libraries and almost any hotel. Nowadays many restaurants, lunch room, coffee shops also offer free WIFI services.

Passports

To enter Curaçao, a passport valid for at least six months after the intended stay is required by all nationals.

Visa

Please contact your embassy or consulate for inquiry about visas.

Please note that visa, transit and entry requirement vary from country to country, and can change with little or no notice. The resources listed on this page are intended as a guide, but please refer to the relevant embassy or consulate for the most up to date information.

It is the responsibility of the traveler to obtain a visa and comply with all requirements and the organizing committee shall accept no liability for any guarantees and/or necessary procedures.

Insurance & Liability

No insurance is concluded for the participants (athletes, coaches, umpires, assistants, members of the delegations, visitors, etc) related outside of the championships. We draw explicit attention to the fact that all participants and members of the individual delegations have to take out their own personal insurance (liability insurance, health insurance, travel insurance etc.). The organizing committee will not assume any corresponding cost and rejects any form of liability.

Shops

Most of the shop opens at 09:00 and close during lunch time (12.00 – 14.30pm), with the exception of supermarkets.

Banks

Opening hours' banks: from Monday through Friday 08:00 – 15:30 pm, some banks are open on Saturday morning as well (09:00 – 13:00 pm).



Downtown Willemstad on the Punda side, the capital of Curacao.

ACCOMODATION

Hilton Hotel

Group Features

Complimentary welcome drink upon group arrival
 American Breakfast daily
 Complimentary in-room safes to fit your laptop
 Complimentary use of the tennis court during the day
 Complimentary use of the fitness center and sauna during 24 hours
 Complimentary use of towels and chaise lounges at the pool and beach
 Complimentary Casino Match Coupon
 Complimentary parking
 Guestroom rates are extended 5 days pre and post group. (Subject to availability)

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Room type	Single room	Double room	Additional person.
Island view	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$20.00 Per room per night
Ocean view	\$155.00	\$165.00	\$20.00 Per room per night
Executive Island view	\$169.00	\$179.00	\$20.00 Per room per night
Executive Ocean view	\$189.00	\$199.00	\$20.00 Per room per night
Junior suite	\$229.00	\$239.00	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- *Internet at complimentary
- * Prices are excluding 23.05% Service charge & taxes

H- HONORS

Earn points and miles with any eligible stay at one of the Hilton family hotels when you are a H-Honors member.

Depending on your tier and the availability on hotel level you can enjoy upgrades and access to executive lounges where available. H-Honors is the only program offering “double dipping” (points and miles) and is valid in over 3500 hotels worldwide.

RELEVANT WEBPAGES

Hotel webpage curacao.hilton.com

Island Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TgvwYXnt3C0>



Piscadera Bay Resort

Basic bungalow (A) max. 4 persons: US\$ 200

A comfortable standard bungalow with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, living room with open kitchen and covered porch.

An excellent bungalow if you are looking for affordable comfort.

Comfort bungalow (B) max. 4 persons : US\$ 220

Spacious bungalow with 2 bedrooms, 1 or 2 bathrooms, living room with open kitchen and a large covered porch.

Comfort + bungalow (C) max. 5 persons: US\$ 250

These large bungalows have 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, a large porch and living room open kitchen.

All prices are in U.S. Dollars per bungalow per night.

What is all included ?

- Rental of the bungalow
- 7% government tax
- Use of electricity and water
- Final cleaning/linen
- Private garden of 600 to 700 m2
- Free Wi-Fi in each bungalow
- Access to the private beach Pirate Bay
- 24 -hour security service
- Reception desk at the resort
- Concierge service at the resort
- Private parking next to the bungalow

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Clarion Hotel & Suites

Nightly room rates at USD 85.00 (Including tax and breakfast for 2 persons)
Rates are based on double occupancy. For occupancy of 3 persons and additional
daily amount of USD 39.87 will be charged.

For reservations>: reservations@clarionhotelcuracao.com

www.clarionhotelcuracao.com

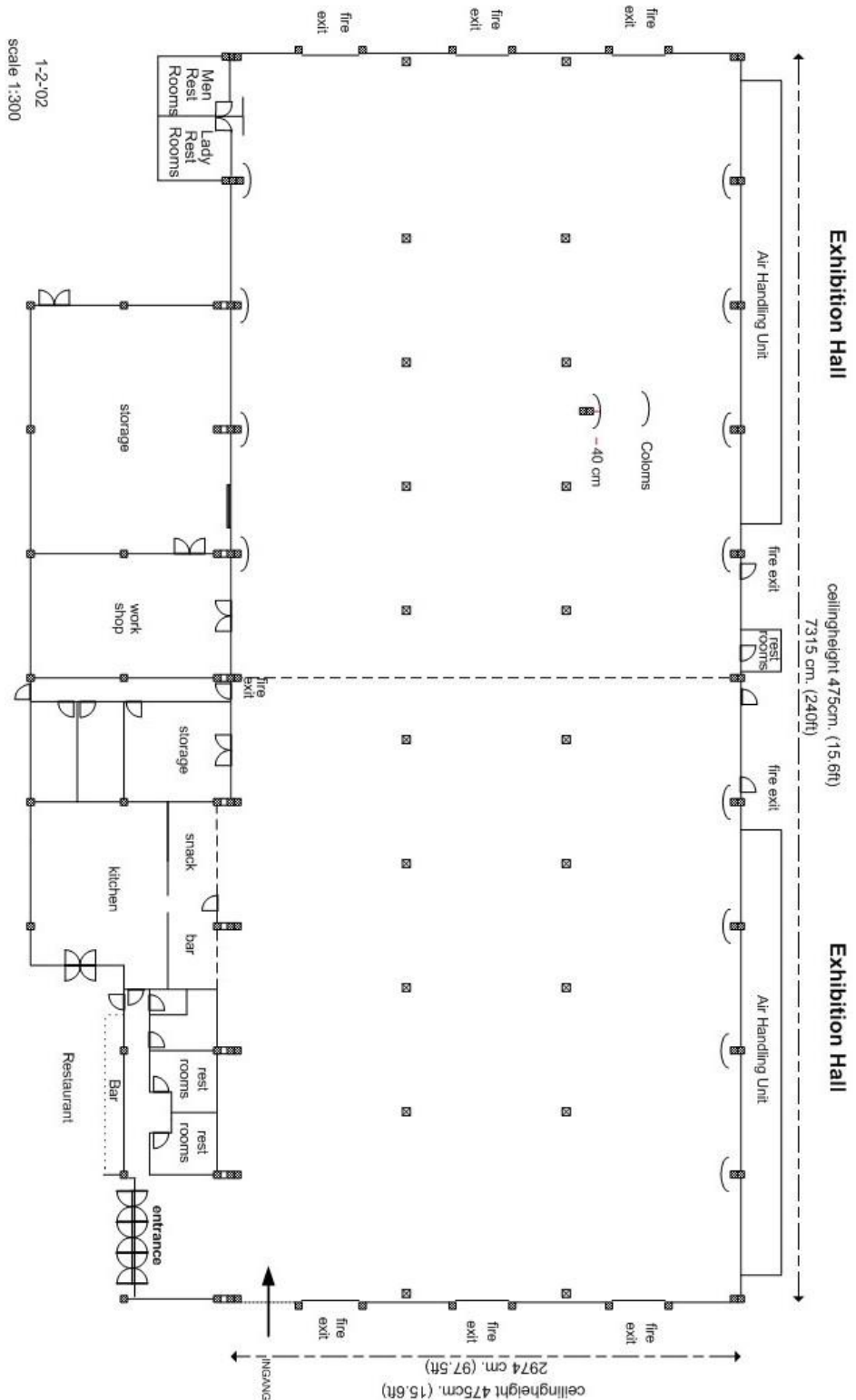


COMPETITION VENUE

World Trade Center Curaçao

Business and Conference center





FEES

Annual membership Fee US\$ 500

Registration fees for courses are as follows:

- Referee Course kumite US\$ 200
- Referee Course kata US\$ 200
- Referee Course kata/kumite US\$ 350
- Coach/trainer course US\$ 100

Registration fee for athletes: US\$ 100 per athlete. For registrations after the closing of the on line registration a penalty of US \$10 will be applied for the registration of each competitor.

Insurance: Costs will be US \$ 15.00 for each competitor

IMPORTANT!!!!!!!!!!

On line registrations will start on April 3, 2017 and will close on May 15, 2017.

Participation:

- Each country can inscribe up to 2 participants in each category according to the WKF categories.
- Also each country can inscribe up to 2 participants in each of the 3 categories for karate athletes with disability. **The 3 categories of disabilities are Wheelchair, Mental disability and Blind.**

For what concerns transportation from the Airport to the official Hotels, please do note that we are expecting teams to arrive in principle in one whole delegation. We will provide that transportation for delegation that arrive separate, only if the team arrive in a maximum of 2 separate flights.

PKF EVENTS PROGRAM

Monday	22.05.2017	Location
ALL DAY	Arrival of delegations	Hilton Hotel
09:00-18:00	Registration of referees, coaches and delegations	Hilton Hotel
15:00-17:00	Referees and coaches Kumite lecture	Hilton Hotel
17:30-18:30	Referees theory examination	Hilton Hotel
19:00-20:00	Referees and coaches Kumite practical training	Hilton Hotel
Tuesday	23.05.2017	Location
09:00-17:00	Registration of Delegations	Hilton Hotel
09:00-12:00	Referees and coaches Kumite practical training	Hilton Hotel
13:00-15:00	Referees kumite practical training	Hilton Hotel
15:30-17:00	Referees practical examination	Hilton Hotel
Wednesday	24.05.2017	Location
09:00-13:00	Final registration of delegations	Hilton Hotel
10:00-11:00	RC meeting	Hilton Hotel
10:00-11:00	Meeting EC with Organizing Committee	Hilton Hotel
11:00-13:00	EC meeting	Hilton Hotel
11:00-12:00	TC meeting	Hilton Hotel
14:00-15:00	Referees Examination results	Hilton Hotel
15:30-17:00	Referees & coaches debriefing	Hilton Hotel
17:00-19:00	Coaches meeting and Draw	Hilton Hotel
18:00-20:00	PKF CONGRESS	Hilton Hotel
20:30-22:30	Welcome dinner	

COMPETITION ELIMINATIONS PROGRAM

Thursday 25.05.2017				
07:30-08:30	Weigh-in	All Male categories		
08:30-09:30	Weigh-in	All Female categories		
10:30-12:00	Kata	Eliminations & Repechage	Male/Female	Team
12:00-13:00	Kata	Eliminations & Repechage	Male/Female	Para-karate
13:00-14:00		LUNCH		
14:00-15:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Female	-68kg
15:00-16:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Female	-61kg
16:00-17:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male	-75kg
17:00-18:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male	-84kg
18:00-18:25		OPENING CEREMONY		
18:25-19:25	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male	+84kg
Friday 26.05.2017				
09:00-10:00	Kata	Eliminations & Repechage	Male/Female	Individual
10:00-11:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Female	-50kg
11:00-12:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Female	-55kg
13:00-14:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Female	+68kg
15:00-16:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male	-60kg
16:00-17:00	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male	-67kg
17:00-18:30	Kumite	Eliminations & Repechage	Male/Female	Team

FINALS AND MEDAL AWARDING

Saturday 27.05.2017				
09:30-09:40	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	+68kg
09:40-09:55	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	+84kg
09:55-10:05	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	-68kg
10:05-10:20	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	-84kg
10:20-10:30	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	-61kg
10:30-10:40	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	-55kg
10:40-10:55	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	-75kg
10:55-11:15	Kata	Bronze medal match	Male-Female	Para-karate
11:15-11:30	Kata	Bronze medal match	Female	Individual
11:30-11:45	Kata	Bronze medal match	Male	Individual
11:45-12:00	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	-60kg
12:00-12:10	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	-50kg
12:10-12:25	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	-67kg
12:25-13:00	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Female	Team
13:00-13:30	Kata	Bronze medal match	Male	Team
13:30-14:00	Kata	Bronze medal match	Female	Team
14:00-15:10	Kumite	Bronze medal match	Male	Team
15:10-16:00		BREAK		
16:00-16:06	Kumite	Final	Male	+68kg
16:06-16:14	Kumite	Final	Male	+84kg
16:14-16:26		Medal Awarding		
16:26-16:32	Kumite	Final	Female	-68kg
16:32-16:40	Kumite	Final	Male	-84kg
16:40-16:46	Kumite	Final	Female	-61kg
16:46-17:04		Medal Awarding		
17:04-17:10	Kumite	Final	Female	-55kg
17:10-17:18	Kumite	Final	Male	-75kg
17:18-17:30		Medal Awarding		
17:30-17:50	Kata	Final	Male/Female	Para-karate
17:50-18:00		Medal Awarding		
18:00-18:08	Kata		Female	Individual
18:08-18:16	Kata		Male	Individual
18:16-18:28		Medal Awarding		
18:28-18:36	Kumite		Male	-60kg
18:36-18:42	Kumite		Female	-50kg
18:42-18:50	Kumite		Male	-67kg
18:50-19:08		Medal Awarding		
19:08-19:35	Kumite		Male/Female	Team
19:35-19:42		Medal Awarding		
19:42-19:50		Closing ceremony		