



Dear athletes, coaches, and officials,

We would like to invite you to our annual national competition, the Belgian Open. On behalf of WAKO Belgium and Contact Karate Beveren we welcome you in advance to this modest but highly passionate tournament. The competition will take place on the 22nd of April. Everyone is invited to participate, from beginner to advanced, and we will host all the Tatami sport disciplines (Point Fighting, Kick Light, Light Contact, and Musical Forms). This tournament will take place in the Sporthal De Meerminnen in the Belgian city Beveren and will start at 10:00 AM sharp.

The Belgian Open is hosted under the national federation, WAKO Belgium, and organized by Contact Karate Beveren. As official member of WAKO, we will apply all WAKO rules during the duration of the tournament. If you want to register, you need to be a member of a club/team under a recognized national WAKO federation. This means all registrations need to be done via [RSportz](#).

**Safety is our top priority during each competition. So, please be aware that you use the correct protection gear, uniform, and only use the allowed weapons within Musical Forms. Don't forget to fill in the mandatory documents correctly and show them at the weigh-in. These can be downloaded from our event via [Sportdata](#).**

All necessary information can be found on [Sportdata](#) and in this letter.

We hope you are as excited as we are, so all that's left to say is good luck and see you all at the Belgian Open 2023!

Respectfully Yours,



Mr. Marc DE BLOCK  
Promotor & President  
WAKO Belgium



Mr. Raymond STAUT  
VP of Sports Operations  
WAKO Belgium



Mr. Freddy GYSELINCK  
VP of Officiating  
WAKO Belgium



**PLACE:**

- Sporthal De Meerminnen  
Klapperstraat 103  
9120 Beveren (Belgium)

**DATE:**

- Saturday 22 April 2023

**WEIGH-IN:**

- Between 07:30 AM and 09:15 AM\*

**\* When you are not registered correctly, your registration will be revoked and not refunded.**

**START:**

- Tournament start promptly at 10:00 AM.

**RULES:**

- WAKO rules will be applied.
- Each fighter must have a valid insurance and be registered via RSportz ([wako.rsportz.com](http://wako.rsportz.com)).
- Every fighter must have a WAKO sport pass and valid insurance.
- The organization is not responsible for any accidents!

**REGISTRATION:**

- You must register your fighters **before the 20<sup>th</sup> of April**.
- If you have an RSportz registration, go to [Rsportz](http://Rsportz) and register on Sportdata.
- If you don't have an RSportz account, please contact your National WAKO Federation and register there.
- If you have any problems regarding registration, please contact us on below mail address and we will help you: [deblockmarc\\_wakobelgium@hotmail.com](mailto:deblockmarc_wakobelgium@hotmail.com).

**STYLES & CATEGORIES:**

- Point Fighting - Light Contact - Kick Light
- Musical Forms (MF) and Creative Forms (CF)
  - MF and CF Divisions for Younger and Older Cadets will be merged\*
  - MF and CF Divisions for Juniors and Seniors will be merged\*

**\* for MF or CF divisions, please register your athlete under Older Cadets or Seniors.**

- All categories can be found on Sportdata event; [Open Belgian 2023](http://Open Belgian 2023)

**PRICES:**

- Entry fee: €25
- Spectators: €7