

ABOUT “VIỆT VÕ ĐÀI”

Việt Võ Đài (VVD) is a discipline comparable to Muay Thai, Kickboxing, Sanda, and, more distantly, MMA, ONE Championship, but with the difference that it is not allowed to continue the offensive when the opponent has fallen to the ground.

The step by step evolution of the VVD aims to transform it, gradually, into a popular, adaptive discipline, capable of responding, at the national level, to the expectations of martial arts practitioners, and, refreshing its image while increasing its attractiveness to practitioners from 5 continents.

Thus, was made the modification of the Regulations relating to the Combat Competitions of Võ cổ truyền VN (traditional martial arts of Vietnam) as published on June 15, 2021 (n ° 83) - Regulations of semi-professional competitions of VVD in order to implement, replacing the old regulations, from the next edition of “Liên hoan tinh hoa Võ Việt” (the 3rd Festival Quintessence of Vietnamese martial arts) which will take place in the city of Đắc Nông which will therefore constitute the 1st National VVD Cup of Đắc Nông 2021 (Editor's note: if the health situation allows).

From now on, the VVD will constitute an important vector of promotion for the traditional Vietnamese martial arts by attracting the "foot-fists boxers" of many countries likely to come to take part in attractive and innovative competitions.

The Vietnamese Federation of Vocotruyen (as well as the World Federation WFVV) will proceed to the modifications and adjustments of its "Combat" Regulations so as to preserve the identity of the traditional Vietnamese Võ đài (Vietnamese ring fight) while enhancing it with more adapted and new rules, and easily "adoptable" by practitioners of disciplines such as Boxing, Kickboxing, Muay, Sanda or MMA or the One Championship, ..., especially with a view to being selected, by the International Olympic Committee (CIO) to be introduced, as is already planned for Sambô (a discipline that can be defined as a mixture of Vietnamese Vât and Russian Judo), Kickboxing and Muay during the next Olympics (depending on the choices made by the organizing countries).

In order to materialize the aforementioned idea of a "mutation for integration target", the World Federation of Vietnam Vocotruyen must therefore readjust the rules of the competitions of Việt Võ đài, by simplifying them, and making them more "logical" in order to facilitate the work of the referees, as well as their easy understanding by martial arts instructors and practitioners from Vietnam as well as those from other nations, who will then be able to more easily grasp the differences in postures, evaluation criteria of technical levels, the specific ways concerning the arbitration of fights during competitions or tournaments, between the rules of the VVD and the competition rules of Boxing, Kickboxing, Muay, Sanda or even of One Championship, of MMA ...

Thus, the federations and groups of similar disciplines mentioned above will be better prepared to enroll their practitioners for VVD matches and tournaments organized or co-organized by the WFVV, across the five continents, in coordination or in partnership with the federations and groups of the host country.

The next step for the Vietnamese Vocotruyen Federation consists of a gradual and very meticulous integration on the occasion of the "Liên hoan Tinh hoa Võ Việt lần thứ 3 tại Đắc Nông" (3rd Festival Quintessence of Vietnamese martial arts), aptly baptized Cup of Viet Vo Dai - 1st Edition - Đắc Nông - 2021 (if the health situation allows it).

Thus, this Festival "Quintessence of Vietnamese Martial Arts" will be accompanied by an increase in the requirements in terms of quality, in technical variety, able to reinforce the image of a new discipline which remains in the spirit, "the Quintessence" of Vietnamese martial arts.

To implement the idea of "simplification" and "integration" with the aim of rapidly achieving the objective that by 2030 the vocotruyen will be present in at least 100 countries and territories, it is necessary, first, to work to achieve recognition by the IOC This will allow future generations of sports leaders from Vietnam and leaders from Vocotruyen Vietnam to climb the different stages called for this opportunity to become an Olympic discipline introduced during one of the next Olympics. Following the example of karate, which made its first appearance at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, the disciplines Kickboxing, Muay and Sambô are already planned for an upcoming introduction.

The Vietnamese Federation of Vocotruyen and the WFVV have decided to modify, as follows, the "Viet Vo Dai" Competition Rules initially established on June 15, 2021:

1. Simplification of rules is necessary, following the current trend in order to promote openness to fighters from other disciplines, with a rating system similar to those of other ring fighting disciplines such as Boxing, Kickboxing, Muay (Sanda , MMA, or One Championship also sometimes organize fights in a 5-ropes ring).
2. The semi-professional VVD will consist of 3 rounds of 3 minutes for men, and 2 minutes for women, with a 1 minute break between each round. The fighter who wins 2 rounds wins the match. If there is a 1-1 tie in the first 2 rounds, the fight will continue with a 3rd round.
3. The VVD will apply the same scoring method as boxing, kickboxing, muay, MMA, ... ie 10/10, 10/9, 10/8 and 10/7.
4. But the rating system specific to VVD is:
At the end of the fight, if the 2 fighters have the same score, it will be counted as 10-10, but if the decision cannot be concluded with a draw, and a winner must be designated, who will obtain 10 points and 9 points for the other fighter, the following criteria should be applied, and in order:
 - . 1: Advantage to the Fighter with the most 3-points marking, then 2 points.
 - . 2: Advantage to the Fighter with the fewest warnings, the fewest reprimands or the few reminders of the rules.
 - . 3: Advantage to the lightest fighter (weight).
 After examining the above criteria, 10 points will be awarded to the first nominee and 9 points to the other as a result of the fight.
 + The fights with the different score gaps:
 - from 1 to 5 points will be placed in 10-9 bracket;
 - from 6 to 10 points, placement in the 10-8 bracket;
 - Difference of more than 11 points, the bracket 10-7.
 In some cases, a gap of 11 points or more, which falls under a large difference in level likely to endanger the health of the weaker fighter, the referee can consult to stop the match and declare "winner by advantage" for the other boxer.
5. 5. Rating of techniques in VVD competitions:
 - a. valid fist and elbow techniques will count as 1 point.
 - b. Valid foot and knee techniques will receive 2 points.
 - c. A successful throw or knockdown resulting from a foot / leg block completed in less than 3 seconds, successful sweeps or scissor techniques are worth 3 points.
 WFVV and VFV continues to think/study underway concerning the techniques coming from the discipline of Vietnamese traditional ethnic wrestling ("vật dân tộc") for their use at the professional stage, but these techniques will not be applicable, for the moment, at the level of the semi-professional VVD.
6. Establishment, during VVD tournaments, of pre-match procedures and ceremonies for the presentation of combatants, weigh-in sessions (and even pre-match presentation of future fights in order to increase their attractiveness) .
7. The usual tournament management system will be kept, with the Arbitral Supervisory Board, the main referee and the judges maintained at 5.
8. Concerning the system of the luminous display panel with 6 lamps intended for the central referee, and the 3-color system for the 5 Judges (victory, defeat, draw) there will only remain the reports of victory or defeat, hence the only need for 2 signals, winner and loser, in blue and red colors.
9. The 5 scoring / decision keyboards of the 5 judges will thus only need 2 signals, blue and red, to be transmitted to the central referee's server for the purposes of summarizing and announcing the results.