



British Student Taekwondo Federation

**Trustee Annual Report for the period:
01 July 2024 - 30 June 2025**

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Charity Number: 1169895

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1. Administrative Information for the reporting period

The Board presents its Trustees' Annual Report for the period of 01st July 2024 - 30th June 2025.

Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	British Student Taekwondo Federation
Charity registration number:	1169895 (England & Wales)
Charity structure:	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Registered Office and operational address:	1 Sharrow Vale, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP12 3HB

Elected trustees

Mr Amar Farooq

Dr Jonathan Tuckett

Ms Emily Dingley

Dr Steve Po

Non-executive director(s)

Dr Jason Smith

Mrs Ushma Kansara

Honorary patron(s)

Mr Graham Jones

Mr Trevor Page

2. The Trust's Report

Objectives and activities

Introduction

The BSTF is a national student sport federation founded in 1986. The organisation became a registered charity in October 2016. Governed by its elected trustees, the charity delivers a variety of sports services and organises a popular range of student sport competitions, education and training programmes, and other events. As the principal umbrella body in our sector, the charity provides the framework for open, multi-discipline competition between our member clubs, enabling taekwondo practitioners to learn, train and compete together.

Objects & Objectives

The charity's objects are: **The advancement for the public benefit of physical education among students in universities and colleges by the provision of services and promotion of the martial art and amateur sport of taekwondo.**

The charity's objects are achieved by the provision of services, including the delivery of sports training events and competitions, by acting as an umbrella body, and by providing advocacy and advice.

The charity's operations contribute to the public good by the promotion of sport, of healthy recreation and healthy lifestyles, through the provision of physical education, by providing volunteering opportunities, and by the education and training of athletes, coaches and umpires.

Public benefit statement

Following review of activities over the reporting period our trustees confirm the charity has complied with the duty in the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on the operation of the charity for the Public Benefit.

Main activities

The charity's principle activities include the provision of our principle multi-discipline competition programme the university [Student National Taekwondo Championships Series](#). Since 2018 this event series has been delivered in partnership with British Universities Colleges and Sport (BUCS) (a registered charitable company) as part of the BUCS programme of events. The charity also provides: various events and services, including at times, while not limited to: European Universities Sports Association (EUSA) Championships and Games [qualification tournaments](#), and team management of the composite British universities squads attending European Universities Championships and European Universities Games; provision of volunteering opportunities, [umpire training courses and online exams](#) for the education and training of student, alumni and other member umpires; classroom and online based [training courses](#) for athlete and coach development; maintenance of the charity's [website](#) and promotional [social media](#) channels; an online membership account [profile management](#) system and event registration service; online services, [know as portals](#), for club managers, including club committee members, institution administrators and registered umpires; advice and support for university students

aiming to open [new taekwondo clubs](#); online publication of competition [results](#); administration of an annual [Club of the Year Award](#); delivery of the charity's [Annual General Meetings](#); provision of representation for practitioners of the sport of taekwondo, principally within UK universities; development and maintenance of partnership working with key organisations within the sector including university sport clubs, university sports departments and Students' Unions, and organisations like BUCS, EUSA, Sport and Recreation Alliance, the National Union of Students, various sport companies, the Sports Councils, and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport among others; and a number other projects related to our charity's objects.

Participation

The charity's events are designed to cater to athletes across all experience levels, and membership and participation in the charity's events is open to all. Participation in the charity's events comes in many forms, including as athletes, and in volunteering, umpiring and coaching roles. Our education and training services and events are open to all members of the public (tournament participation in a student-athlete role is restricted to current university students for the purposes of delivering inter-university sports championships).

Progress has continued in increasing the charity's year on year participation rates, as shown in Figure 1.

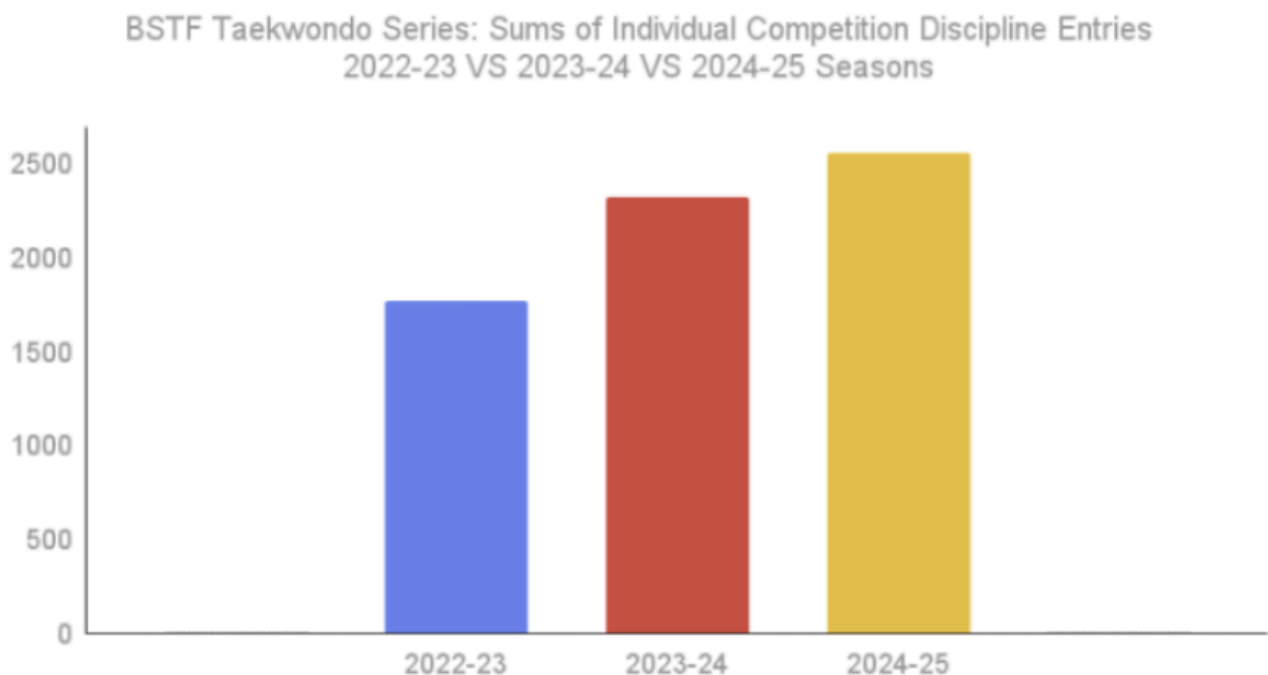


Figure 1. BSTF Combined Principal Championships Entries 2022-23 VS 2023-24 VS 2024-25

Achievements and performance

Student National Taekwondo Championships Series in the 2024-25 Academic Year

The charity's three major BSTF Student National Taekwondo Championships Series competitions welcomed just under 750 unique student-athletes taking part over the three competition series, and exceeded the 2,500 combined annual discipline entries mark for the first time. The charity additionally welcomed scores of coaches, and over 100 volunteers & umpires taking part in total. Championships Series events remain the charity's principal events and primary source of receipts

and payments. Each championships is a multi-discipline event which delivers competitions across the four of the most popular taekwondo disciplines: WT rules sparring, ITF rules sparring, Kukkiwon patterns and Chang-Hon patterns, further subdivided by weight and class (i.e., experience level) divisions.

The 2025 European Universities Sport Association's European Universities Taekwondo Championships

The 2024-25 academic year's Championships Series was also the qualification tournament for 2025 EUSA European Universities Championships (EUC) Combat Sport event, held August 22nd–25th 2025 in Warsaw, Poland, and recorded over 1,300 participants, representing 385 universities from 32 European countries taking part in 4 combat sports on the EUG program, including sparring and patterns Taekwondo disciplines. A total of 39 qualifying athletes from 22 UK universities supported by half a dozen university club coaches and two BSTF team managers, together formed the composite team attending the event. Taekwondo was once again the single most successful medal winners, on per sport basis, among the UK university teams and composite teams attending this EUSA competition.

The European University Sports Association (EUSA) is an umbrella non-governmental (NGO) non-profit organisation, working in the field of university sport in Europe. It links national university sport federations, universities, teams, individual competitors, volunteers and other partners in over 40 countries throughout Europe. EUSA Games represent the largest European multisport student event, and the champions league of European university sport.

Club of the Year Award

In 2017 the charity launched our University Taekwondo Club of the Year Award to highlight the hard work and dedication of club committees across the country. The award celebrates volunteer student committee members who have provided outstanding service to their members and to the wider community.

2025's University Taekwondo [Club of the Year Award](#) winners were Imperial College London Taekwondo Club. The club and its committee demonstrated exceptional performance across numerous aspects. The judging panel lauded the club's impressive structural growth and competitive success this year, built on a foundation of well planned recruitment campaigns. Imperial's club has cultivated a strong, inclusive club identity and a welcoming family-like culture, with a clear framework positioned for continued success.

Umpires and volunteers supporting events

Dozens of officials, referees and student volunteers give up their time to support the BSTF in delivering high quality events and sporting experiences for student athletes.

The charity has continued to deploy our on demand online exams to achieve our introductory level umpire certification for volunteers, enhancing the educational value and training quality for volunteers attending our events.

The charity also delivered two editions of our full day, multi-discipline, in person umpire training courses in November 2024 and February 2025. These events provide opportunities for volunteers to gain a higher level of certification under the tutelage of international umpire instructors, and were made available for free to current university students. The charity also delivered an online edition of the Sport Science of Taekwondo online modules in November 2024.

Development

While sport already plays a critical role in many aspects of the student experience and in promoting well-being across all campuses of higher education in the UK, we expect the advancement of amateur sport will become increasingly important over the next few years as higher education institutions place increasing emphasis on the student experience and of promoting the mental and physical well-being of their student populations. The board are pleased with the continued forward progress made across a range of administrative and programme delivery components of the charity's mission, and judge the BSTF to be well placed to deliver sustainable programmes of exceptional quality and benefit moving forward.

Structure, governance and management

Governance

The British Student Taekwondo Federation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Charity number 1169895). The charity is governed by its board of trustees in accordance with its constitution and charity commission law, and additionally operated in accordance with its standard operating procedures (SOPs) for the governance and management of the charity.

Organisational structure

Members of the board attend board meetings at least quarterly, and often more regularly, to review governance and financial status, and reviewing the charity's recent and upcoming operations, and to facilitate its governance and long term planning.

Appointment of trustees

Governance of the charity is undertaken by the board which is composed of the elected trustees (the Trust), and where applicable its executive directors and non-executive directors. The trust's trustees are elected annually at the charity's AGM, typically held during the first term of each university academic year. The AGMs are an opportunity for all clubs to gain the latest information about the charity's activities and to elect its governing trustees. Every university club in membership of their students' union and the BSTF carries an equal vote.

The induction of trustees

New trustees are inducted into the processes and procedures of the charity, including copies of "CC3 the essential trustee" and the charity's standard operating procedures, its register of interests, guidance regarding board meetings and the BSTF code of conduct. Furthermore, new trustees are made aware of the activities of the charity and provide online tuition on the access and use of the charity's IT systems.

Trustees' register of interests

All trustees are required to enter and keep up to date a register of interests to identify and manage potential conflicts of interests.

3. Financial Review

Statement of Financial Activities

The charity's primary source of receipts are its event entry fees and membership subscriptions.

The charity's income & expenditure accounts for the period 30 July 2024 - 01 July 2025 are submitted on a receipts and payments basis, with total receipts of £119,384 and total payments of £110,847. This expenditure was fully applied towards the organisation's objectives of taekwondo development and participation.

Preparation of the annual budget

The charity prepares an annual budget in preparation for the next financial year, which is reviewed and approved by the charity's board. Financial risks are managed by review of the previous year's projected budget and the respective categorised receipts and payments accounts when preparing the upcoming year's budget. Projected receipts are modelled to assess the viability of new programmes, or to changes to existing programmes.

Reserves policy

The charity aims to maintain reserves of £4,995 to ensure financial commitments may be cleared when due. This figure is reviewed at least annually.

Independent examiner

The charity's independent examiner for the 2024-25 financial year is Dr. Sara Holland.

Financial controls

The charity maintains and regularly updates financial management standard operating procedures, with prudent financial controls reviewed and agreed by the board, including guidance the Charity Commission principles of financial management, on the preparation of the annual budget and on bank account management and financial controls.



Charity Name British Student Taekwondo Federation		No (if any) 1169895
Receipts and payments accounts		
For the period from	Period start date 1-Jul-24	To Period end date 30-Jun-25

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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Charitable activities					
Event fees (RC01)	75,260.29	- .00	- .00	75,260.29	63,283.64
Subscriptions (RC02)	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Sundry income (RC03)	286.42	- .00	- .00	286.42	5.00
Online receipts (RC04)	32,291.06	- .00	- .00	32,291.06	29,025.95
Independent receipts (RI)	11,546.00	- .00	- .00	11,546.00	6,875.00
Other receipts (RV)	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	20,000.00
		- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	119,383.77	- .00	- .00	119,383.77	119,189.59
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Sub total	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Total receipts	119,383.77	- .00	- .00	119,383.77	119,189.59
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities costs (PA)	96,605.15	- .00	- .00	96,605.15	105,244.03
Support costs (PS)	438.95	- .00	- .00	438.95	545.66
Independent costs (PI)	10,526.13	- .00	- .00	10,526.13	16,019.66
Loan repayments (PL)	2,962.20	- .00	- .00	2,962.20	1,675.46
Governance costs (PG)	315.00	- .00	- .00	315.00	- .00
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Sub total	110,847.43	- .00	- .00	110,847.43	123,484.81
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Charitable activities equipment (AC)	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Sub total	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
Total payments	110,847.43	- .00	- .00	110,847.43	123,484.81
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,536.34	- .00	- .00	8,536.34	- 4,295.22
A5 Transfers between funds	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00	- .00
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,217.24	- .00	- .00	29,217.24	33,512.46
Cash funds this year end	37,753.58	- .00	- .00	37,753.58	29,217.24

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	37,753.58	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
	Total cash funds	37,753.58	- .00	- .00
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Petty cash	287.97	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00
		- .00	- .00	- .00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00
			- .00	- .00

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			- .00	
			- .00	
			- .00	
			- .00	
			- .00	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Amar Farooq	27/04/2026

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of BRITISH STUDENT TAEKWONDO FEDERATION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the BRITISH STUDENT TAEKWONDO FEDERATION for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Sara Holland PhD

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Chartered UK Patent Attorney

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Date: 24 April 2026