

# 43<sup>rd</sup> QIUC in NEW YORK

QUALIFYING INTERNATIONAL UMPIRE COURSE



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# 43<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying International Umpire Course (QIUC)

February 24- 25, 2024 – LaGuardia Plaza Hotel - Queens, New York

Conducted by:  
ITF Umpire Committee

## OFFICIAL INVITATION

New York, Sep 15, 2023.

On behalf of Grand Master Suarez and the International Taekwon-Do Federation Umpire Committee (ITF UC), we invite and welcome you to the **43<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying Presential International Umpire Course (QIUC)** to be held on February 24-25, 2024, in Queens, New York.

The course is open to all red belts, from 16 years old and above and will take place at the **LaGuardia Plaza Hotel** located at 104-04 Ditmars Blvd, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. (Phone: 718-457-6300; Web: <http://www.laguardiaplazahotel.com>).

The Course will be conducted by the ITF International Umpire Committee, led by IUC Chairman Master Abelardo Benzaquen and Master Kurt Ottesen, members of the ITF Umpire Committee. It is organized by GM Rubén Suárez, also a member of the ITF UC.

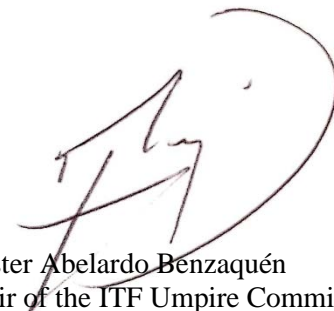
The members of the ITF Umpire Committee wish to emphasize the importance of face-to-face courses and especially appreciate the effort made by the participants to attend this course. At the end of the Course there will be an examination to qualify for International Qualified Umpires Class “A” (Black belt 4<sup>th</sup> degree and above)

We look forward to meeting you in New York!

Yours in Taekwondo,



Grand Master Ruben Suarez  
Chair of the Organizing Committee



Master Abelardo Benzaquen  
Chair of the ITF Umpire Committee

## International Umpire Course Program

### Arrivals—Friday, February 23, 2024 (or before):

La Guardia Plaza Hotel

104-04 Ditmars Blvd, East Elmhurst, NY 11369

- **718-457-6300**

Website: [www.laguardiaplazahotel.com](http://www.laguardiaplazahotel.com)

### Umpire Course Cost:

- 1.1.1. 4th to 6th degree: **\$ 320 US**
- 1.1.2. 7th to 8th degree: **\$ 180 US**
- 1.1.3. 1 Kup to 3 Dan: **\$ 230 US**

### Dress:

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### Language:

English and Spanish are the main spoken languages at this course.

### Please bring with you the following 2022.v2 ITF Rules of Competition and:

- Jury President Manual
- Center Referee Manual
- Corner Referees Manual

We hope that you enjoy the seminar and that the knowledge you acquire bring benefits to yourself, your country and all those involved in our beautiful art.

If you are interested in attending this course, please send the application form **on or before January 15, 2024**, to [mastersuarez@qtc-itf.com](mailto:mastersuarez@qtc-itf.com). Or register online at [www.qtc-itf.com](http://www.qtc-itf.com)

## HOTEL INFORMATION

New York is very busy city and the hotel price depend on season and his demand. We suggest go hotel.com, trivago, Expedia or other internet agency to get your reservation.

To facilitate your accommodations, we are negotiating a few rooms price at La **Guardia Plaza Hotel** for a value of **\$189.00** (plus tax) per night. Each room accommodates 1-4 people. We suggest making reservations as soon as possible. To receive the discounted rate, please mention "ITF."

If you choose to stay at another hotel, you may search for hotels using the seminar address: **LaGuardia Plaza Hotel**, 104-04 Ditmars Blvd, East Elmhurst, NY 11369

For your convenience we have also provided a list of additional hotels in the area. Please, book directly with any hotel of your choice.



104-04 Ditmars Blvd  
East Elmhurst, NY  
11369

**1. La Guardia Plaza Hotel**

37-10 114th Street  
Corona, NY 11368

• **718-457-6300**

[www.laguardiaplazahotel.com](http://www.laguardiaplazahotel.com)

**2. Holiday Inn Express**

LAGUARDIA ARPT  
113-10 Horace Harding Expressway  
Flushing, NY 11368  
(718) 699-0994

[www.hiexpress.com](http://www.hiexpress.com)

**3. Comfort Inn Flushing**

133-43 37th Ave  
Flushing, NY 11354  
(718) 939-5000

[www.comfortinn.com](http://www.comfortinn.com)

**4. Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel**

135-20 39th Avenue  
Flushing, NY  
(718) 460-6666

[www.sheratonlaguardiaeast.com](http://www.sheratonlaguardiaeast.com)

**Pan American Hotel**

79-00 Queens Boulevard  
East Elmhurst, NY 11373

(718) 446-7676 [www.panamhotel.com](http://www.panamhotel.com)

**5. Best Western Plus Queens Court Hotel**

133-51 39th Avenue  
Queens, NY  
(718) 888-900

[www.book.bestwestern.com](http://www.book.bestwestern.com)

**6. Corona Hotel**

112-23 Roosevelt Ave  
Corona, NY 11368  
(718) 779-5200

[www.coronahotel.com](http://www.coronahotel.com)

**7. New York LaGuardia Airport Marriott**

102-05 Ditmars Boulevard  
East Elmhurst, NY 11369  
(718) 565-8900

[www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

**8. LaGuardia Airport Hotel**

100-15 Ditmars Boulevard  
East Elmhurst, NY 11369  
(888) 307-7555

[www.hotellaguardiaairport.com](http://www.hotellaguardiaairport.com)

## 2024 ITF Qualifying International Umpire Course – Course Delivery

**Total Course Duration:** 12 hours  
**Course Delivery:** 2 Days  
**Presenters:** Minimum of 2

### COURSE PRESENTER SCHEDULE

**Day 1**  
**Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Target	Content	Format	Resources
09:00am – 09:15am  Total: 15 minutes	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Official Opening</b></li> <li>• <b>Introductions</b></li> <li>• <b>UC Chair –</b> Grand Master Abelardo Benzaquen</li> <li>• <b>Members –</b> Grand Master Gordon Wallace Master Kurt Ottesen Grand Master Rubén Surez -Organizer</li> <li>• <b>Opening Remarks</b></li>   <li>• <b>Housekeeping / Rules / Expectations</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> </ul>	
Time	Target	Content	Format	Resources
09:15am – 09:45am  Total: 30 minutes	Jury President Jury Member Pattern Referees Pattern Umpires Equipment Verifier  <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><b>Presenter (s)</b></div> GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Overview of a typical championship</b></li> <li>• <b>Chain of Command</b></li> <li>• <b>Roles and Responsibilities</b></li> <li>• <b>Sequence of Events</b></li> <li>• <b>A Day in the Life of...</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> <li>• Slide Presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Point Presentation</li> <li>• Competition Draws</li> <li>• Protest Forms</li> <li>• 2022v2 - ITF Rules of Competition</li> <li>• Electronic Scoring System</li> <li>• SportData software</li> </ul>

**Day 1**  
**Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Target	Content	Format	Resources
09:45am – 11:45pm  Total: 120 minutes	Jury President Jury Member Pattern Referees Pattern Umpires Equipment Verifier	<b>Patterns</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> <li>• Slide Presentation</li> <li>• Practical Skill Exercises</li> <li>• Question and Answer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Point Presentation</li> <li>• Competition Draws</li> <li>• 2022v2 - ITF Rules of Competition</li> <li>• Electronic Scoring System</li> <li>• Sportdata software</li> <li>• Video Presentation and Analysis</li> </ul>
	<b>Presenter (s)</b>			
	GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen			

11:45m-12:00pm	BREAK
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Time	Topic	Content	Format	Resources
12:00pm – 01:30pm  Total: 90 minutes	Pattern Umpires Pattern Referees Sparring Umpires Sparring Referees Jury President Jury Member Equipment Verifier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Team Patterns</li> <li>• Pre-Arranged Sparring</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> <li>• Slide Presentation</li> <li>• Video Demonstration</li> <li>• Practical Skill Exercise</li> <li>• Question and Answer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Point Presentation</li> <li>• Competition Draws</li> <li>• 2022v2 - ITF Rules of Competition</li> <li>• Electronic Scoring System</li> <li>• Sport Data software</li> <li>• Video Presentation and Analysis</li> </ul>
	<b>Presenter (s)</b>			
	GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen			

01:30pm-02:30pm	LUNCH BREAK
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**Day 1**  
**Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Target	Content	Format	Resources
02:30pm – 04:30pm  Total: 120 minutes	Sparring Umpires Sparring Referees Jury President Jury Member Equipment Verifier  <b>Presenter (s)</b>  GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen	<b>Individual and Team Sparring</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> <li>• Slide Presentation</li> <li>• Video Demonstration</li> <li>• Practical Skill Exercise</li> <li>• Question and Answer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Point Presentation</li> <li>• Competition Draws</li> <li>• 2022v2 - ITF Rules of Competition</li> <li>• Electronic Scoring System</li> <li>• Sport Data software</li> <li>• Video Presentation and Analysis</li> </ul>

04:30pm- 04:45pm	BREAK
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Time	Topic	Content	Format	Resources
04:45pm – 06:15pm  Total: 90 minutes	Pattern Umpires Pattern Referees Sparring Umpires Sparring Referees Jury President Jury Member Equipment Verifier  <b>Presenter (s)</b>  GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Breaking</li> <li>• Special Technique</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture</li> <li>• Slide Presentation</li> <li>• Video Demonstration</li> <li>• Personal Skill Development</li> <li>• Question and Answer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power Point Presentation</li> <li>• Competition Draws</li> <li>• 2022v2 - ITF Rules of Competition</li> <li>• Electronic Scoring System</li> <li>• Sport Data software</li> <li>• Video Presentation and Analysis</li> </ul>

**Day 2**  
**Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Presenters	Content	Format	Resources
09:00am – 11:00am  Total: 120 minutes	GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen	<p>Tournament Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Umpires Meeting</li> <li>- Assignment of Ring Councils</li> <li>- Ring Entry / Ring Opening</li> <li>- Tournament replica: competition, injuries, protests.</li> <li>- Several stages will be set up for participants to develop their skills</li> <li>- LIVE SKILLS EVALUATION BY THE UC</li> <li>- Closing the Ring</li> <li>- Order and cleanliness of the area</li> <li>- Exit</li> <li>- Feedback to the Ring Council</li> <li>- Post Event Meeting</li> <li>- UC Feedback and Evaluations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Lecture</li> <li>• Selected Questions</li> <li>•Remarks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IUC Umpire Exams.pdf</li> </ul>
11:00am-11:15am	BREAK			



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Time	Presenters	Content	Format	Resources
11:15am – 01:15pm  Total: 120 minutes	GM Benzaquen GM Suárez Master Ottesen	<p>Tournament Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Umpires Meeting</li> <li>- Assignment of Ring Councils</li> <li>- Ring Entry / Ring Opening</li> <li>- Tournament replica: competition, injuries, protests.</li> <li>- Several stages will be set up for participants to develop their skills</li> <li>- LIVE SKILLS EVALUATION BY THE UC</li> <li>- Closing the Ring</li> <li>- Order and cleanliness of the area</li> <li>- Exit</li> <li>- Feedback to the Ring Council</li> <li>- Post Event Meeting</li> <li>- UC Feedback and Evaluations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Lecture</li> <li>• Selected Questions</li> <li>•Remarks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IUC Umpire Exams. Online</li> </ul>