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XIII INTERNATIONAL KARATE GRAND PRIX BIELSKO-BIAŁA



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 11-13.10.2019
BULLETIN

OFFICIAL EVENT OF "THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE POLISH OLYMPIC COMMITTEE"



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MR. **ANDRZEJ KRAŚNICKI**

THE PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH OLYMPIC COMMITTEE,
MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
EUROPEAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEES

Ladies and gentlemen,
Dear friends,

On behalf of the Polish Olympic Committee and on my own behalf, I would like to join the invitation of the Polish Karate Union to participate in this year's competition of Polish Open.

For many years the Polish Olympic Committee has followed with interest and attention the development of the national karate, noting a constant increase of interest in this sport among the Polish young people of both sexes. We are convinced that an important impulse for the further development of this discipline all over the world, including in our country, is her Olympic ennoblement, that is – enabling competition karate fighters to already the next Olympic Games.

The next year's tournament at the Olympic Games XXXII in Tokyo and a very real prospect of the participation of Polish representatives in it, represents a huge challenge for the entire environment of the karate above the Vistula River. I'm convinced that the authorities of the Polish Karate Union, as well as all competitors, coaches and activists, will do everything in order to ensure that our team in the capital of Japan will show itself at its best and will achieve satisfactory results.

One of the important steps towards the Olympic start-up is undoubtedly this year's Polish Open tournament, held as a part of the celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Polish Olympic Committee. We hope that strong national teams will participate in this tournament, which will guarantee its high level. Therefore, we invite you once again to join this sport event and we ensure that our guests will meet in Bielsko-Biała good conditions of stay and of start, as well as a traditional Polish hospitality.

See you soon in Poland!

Andrzej Kraśnicki

The President of the Polish Olympic Committee

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MR. **PAWEŁ POŁTORZECKI**

CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
PRESIDENT OF POLISH KARATE UNION



Dear Karate Friends,

On behalf of the Organizers: Polish Karate Union, KSA Atemi, the Municipality of Bielsko-Biała, I have the honour to invite you to participate in the 13th POLISH OPEN – Grand Prix Bielsko-Biała in Olympic Karate WKF, which will be held from 11 to 13 October 2019.

Over a dozen years, POLISH OPEN, from a small tournament for children and youth, has grown into one of the largest karate tournaments in Europe, which was entered into the calendar of the European Karate Federation for 2019.

The competition will take place as every year in the modern sports hall "Pod Dębowcem" and will be played on 8 tatami. It will be an international ranking tournament for athletes associated in the Polish Karate Union.

POLISH OPEN in Olympic Karate WKF takes place as part of the official celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Polish Olympic Committee. In Bielsko-Biała we will host well-known Olympic athletes from the Beskids, led by the Olympic Champion in Boxing from Tokyo 1964 Marian Kasprzyk, who will be celebrating the 80th birthday anniversary at that time.

The honorary patronage over the event was taken by Mr Jarosław Klimaszewski the President of Bielsko-Biała, Polish Olympic Committee and Ministry of Sport and Tourism.

Very strong representations, members of national teams with the best karatekas from around the globe, medallists of the European Championships and the World Championships have already announced their participation in POLISH OPEN. This event is a great test for cadets, juniors and U21 before the World Championships, which will take place in October in Chile and seniors who are fighting for Olympic qualifications. Also, younger athletes will have the chance to test their skills with the best competitors in the world.

The Chief Referee of POLISH OPEN is Mr Alois Wiesböck, the Chairman of the EKF Referee Commission. Many judges and referees with international licenses (EKF/WKF) will work in the referee panel.

All members of WKF are admitted to participate in Bielsko-Biała, at the foothill of Beskidy Mountains. We will do our best to make you feel like at home. I wish competitors successful performances, coaches and officials satisfaction with the results, and spectators many sports emotions.

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Paweł Połtorzecki - President of Polish Karate Union

DATE: **11-13.10.2019**

VENUE: **THE SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT HALL
„POD DĘBOWCEM“ IN 26 KARBOWA STREET,
BIELSKO-BIAŁA, POLAND**

■ RULES:

All members of WKF are admitted to participate. Tournament will be conducted according to the current WKF Competition Rules (Kata – flag system) with Repechages and two third places. Rules of Polish Karate Union will be applied in competitions for Masters and Children (U8-U14).

The date of birth determinate about the proper age category. Competitors can participate in two age categories (except Juniors in Seniors Kumite and Juniors in U21 Kumite & Kata). Participation in two weight categories as part of one age group is forbidden!

■ KATA:

- In Kata individual for children U8 and 8 years old – it is allowed to repeat one Kata;
- In Kata individual for children 9,10,11 years old – minimum two different Kata have to be done alternatively;
- In Kata individual for children U14 – different Kata in each round;
- In Kata individual Cadets – Masters – WKF Competition Rules;
- In Kata team U9 and U12 – it is allowed to repeat one Kata;
- In Kata team bunkai is not required (except Seniors category);
- In Kata individual it is allowed to participate in two age categories (except Juniors in U21).

■ KUMITE:

- In Kumite U10 – fight time is 60 second;
- In Kumite U12 and U14 – fight time is 90 second;
- In Kumite Cadets – Seniors – WKF Competition Rules;
- In Kumite Masters – fight time is 120 second;
- In Kumite individual it is allowed to participate in two age categories (except Juniors in Seniors and Juniors in U21);
- All protective equipment according to WKF Competition Rules must be EKF/WKF homologated. This rule concerns all age categories.
- If in weight category will be less then 8 competitors, category can be combined.

■ REFEREES:

The Chief Referee of Polish Open 2019 is Mr Alois Wiesböck (Chairman of European Karate Federation Referee Commission). All foreign referees and judges who want to work during Polish Open have to contact by email with Organizer. After receiving official confirmation from Organizer please register at Sportdata. Organizer will offer payment in cash, half board accommodation only for those who comply with this procedure and receive official confirmation letter.

- 75 EUR per day – NATIONAL REFEREES
- 100 EUR per day – INTERNATIONAL REFEREES (EKF/WKF)

■ ENTRY FEE:

- 30 € – one individual entry - U8-U14
- 35 € – one individual entry Cadets - Seniors
- 40 € – one individual entry - Masters
- 50 € – one individual entry – Juniors and Seniors OPEN
- 60 € – team entry

Please make necessary payment of the starting fee by money transfer under the title "Polish Open" and name of the club on the following account:

KSA Atemi
Widok 12
43-300 Bielsko-Biała
SWIFT CODE (BIC): PKOPPLPW
IBAN: PL 32 1240 6449 1111 0010 6169 8939

There is also possibility to make a payment in cash in the competition office.

■ CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:

The competition is open for Polish (members of POLISH KARATE UNION) and foreign clubs. Each contestant should have: identity card with a photo, competitors license, a doctor's permission to take part in the competition and full insurance coverage for all eventualities. All of these documents should be prepared for possible control during the registration.

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■ AWARDS:

Competitors who are first in the individual contests will receive memorial cups, medals and diplomas. For 2nd and 3rd places they will receive memorial medals and diplomas. For the first place in the team contests, the winning team will get a memorial cup, medals and diplomas. For 2nd and 3rd places they will receive memorial medals and diplomas.

FOR GOLD MEDALISTS – gifts from the official sponsors!

200 EUR – FOR 1ST PLACE IN KUMITE MALE/FEMALE SENIORS OPEN / JUNIORS OPEN

100 EUR – FOR 1ST PLACE IN KATA MALE/FEMALE SENIORS/JUNIORS

■ REGISTRATION:

All competitors, referees, coaches and officials must register online using the online system at www.sportdata.org/karate. No onsite registration will be accepted. In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the sportdata software team via the email address: info@polish-open.com.



Clubs / teams / federations are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data. Deadline of making any changes in entries is **04.10.2019**. If changes are required during official registration session because of incorrect data, **a fee of 20 EUR** is charged for each change. Deleting the entry during the official registration session is charged 50% of the entry fee.

There will not be possibility of making any changes in the day of the contest except deleting the entry of the competitor. Deleting the entry of the competitor in the day of the competitions means that you are still obliged to pay the full entry fee.

The official registration session and weigh-in will take place in the competition's office (Sports Hall "Pod Dębowcem") on Thursday 15:00-22:00. Taking part in the official weigh-in is not mandatory but if the competitor has been registered in wrong weight category, in case of protest during the competition, athlete will be disqualified.

There will be also possibility to pay the entry fee before the tournament in the competition's office on Friday 07:00-10:00, on Saturday 07:00-09:00 and Sunday 07:00-09:00.



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■ OTHER:

All controversial matters will be solved by the Chief Referee of the competition in agreement with the organizer. The organizer isn't responsible for lost items. Heads of teams are responsible for competitors' behaviour or eventual damages made by them.

Only athletes and coaches can stay in the field of play during the tournament. Officials, heads of delegations and audience have to stay in the spectators area. Press accreditation can only be given to professional journalists working for a media and having proof of their credentials. If a Refereeing procedure appears to contravene the rules, the Competitor's Coach or its official representative are the only ones allowed to make a protest. The complainant must deposit a Protest Fee of 100 EUR.

The exhibition and sale of goods is allowed on the conditions of Organizer. The professional catering service will be provided in the competition area by the Restaurant Wirtuozeria. As regards that the specific items are not expressly foreseen in the present bulletin reference is to be made to the general rules and guidelines contained in WKF Regulations and the provisions of the Civil Code.

■ PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF POLISH OPEN:

■ FRIDAY 11.10.2019

10:00 - 14:00 Kata Cadets, Kata Seniors

Kata Juniors, Kata U21,
Kata Masters

Kata Team Cadets+Juniors,
Kata Team Seniors

14:00 - 15:00 PARA-KARATE

15:00 - 19:00 Kumite Seniors,
Kumite Masters

■ SATURDAY 12.10.2019

09:00 - 19:00 Kumite Cadets, Kumite
U21, Kumite Juniors

19:00 - 21:00 Kumite Juniors Open,
Kumite Seniors Open

■ SUNDAY 13.10.2019

09:00 - 11:30 Kata U8-U14, Kata Team
U12, Kata Team U14

11:30 - 17:00 Kumite U8-U14, Kumite
Team U12, Kumite Team
U14



■ CATEGORIES:

The detailed list of all categories is available at:

https://www.sportdata.org/karate/set-online/veranstaltungen_in-o_main.php?active_menu=calendar&vern_r=3991&ver_info_action=catlist#a_eventheadend

The date of birth determinate about the proper age category. Competitors can participate in two age categories (except Juniors in Male Kumite and Juniors in U21 Kata & Kumite Male). Participation in two weight categories as part of one age group is forbidden!

■ KATA INDIVIDUAL MALE / FEMALE:

UNDER 8, 8 YEARS OLD, 9 YEARS OLD, 10 YEARS OLD, 11 YEARS OLD, UNDER 14, CADETS, JUNIORS, UNDER 21, SENIORS, MASTER A, MASTER B, MASTER C, MASTER D

■ KATA TEAM:

UNDER 9, UNDER 12, UNDER 14, UNDER 18, SENIORS

■ KUMITE INDIVIDUAL MALE / FEMALE:

UNDER 10, UNDER 12, UNDER 14, CADETS, JUNIORS, UNDER 21, SENIORS, MASTER A, MASTER B, MASTER C, MASTER D

■ KUMITE TEAM MALE / FEMALE:

UNDER 12, UNDER 14

■ PARA-KARATE:

(categories will be created based on the entries).



OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION:

To book accommodation please contact with the Organizers: hotels@polish-open.com

Deadline to make your booking in the first required time is 15th of July 2019. Only reservation made through the organizing committee includes welcome package and free transfer from hotels to the venue. More information at www.polish-open.com/en/official-hotels.

HQ HOTEL:

IBIS STYLES BIELSKO-BIAŁA
ŻYWIECKA 93, 43-300 BIELSKO-BIAŁA

The Ibis Styles Bielsko – Biala Hotel is located in the foothills of the Beskids, within 1.9 miles (3 km) the main train and bus station. This 3-star hotel has an ideal location close to the Katowice – Zywiec road and the nearby Bielsko – Biala ring road provides easy access and is convenient for both business and leisure travel within the region. For all those who booked the accommodation in this hotel, we provide free transport to the venue.



	By the 15.07	By the 31.08	By the 30.09
Single room *	65,00 €	80,00 €	95,00 €
Twin room *	45,00 €	60,00 €	75,00 €
Triple room *	37,50 €	52,50 €	67,50 €

* price per person with breakfast

OFFICIAL HOTEL:

HOTEL DĘBOWIEC (100m from the Venue)
ARMII KRAJOWEJ 220, 43-300 BIELSKO-BIAŁA

A 2-star Hotel Debowiec is located in a quiet and picturesque part of Bielsko – Biala, at the foot of Debowiec and Szyndzielnia mountains, 100m from the venue. It offers beautiful views and accommodation with free private parking. Featuring carpets and large windows, the rooms at Hotel Debowiec are equipped with a flat – screen TV and wardrobe. A private bathroom comes with each room and free Wi-Fi is provided. There is restaurant at the hotel where guests can enjoy their meals.



	By the 15.07	By the 31.08	By the 30.09
Single room *	65,00 €	80,00 €	95,00 €
Twin room *	50,00 €	65,00 €	80,00 €
Triple room *	37,50 €	52,50 €	67,50 €

* price per person with breakfast

OFFICIAL HOTEL (LUXURY):

PARKHOTEL VIENNA

BYSTRZAŃSKA 48, 43-300 BIELSKO-BIAŁA

Parkhotel Vienna is one of the most modern hotels in the south of Poland. It is located in Bielsko – Biala, a city known as “Little Vienna” in the beginning of the 20th century. This luxurious, exquisite, elegant and cozy hotel warmly welcomes all guests offering them an exceptional combination of tradition and modernity. Staff offers the guests luxurious rooms and suits, Imperial Restaurant, Vienna Brasserie, Lobby Bar, Rabana Music Club and Highlander’s Cabin.

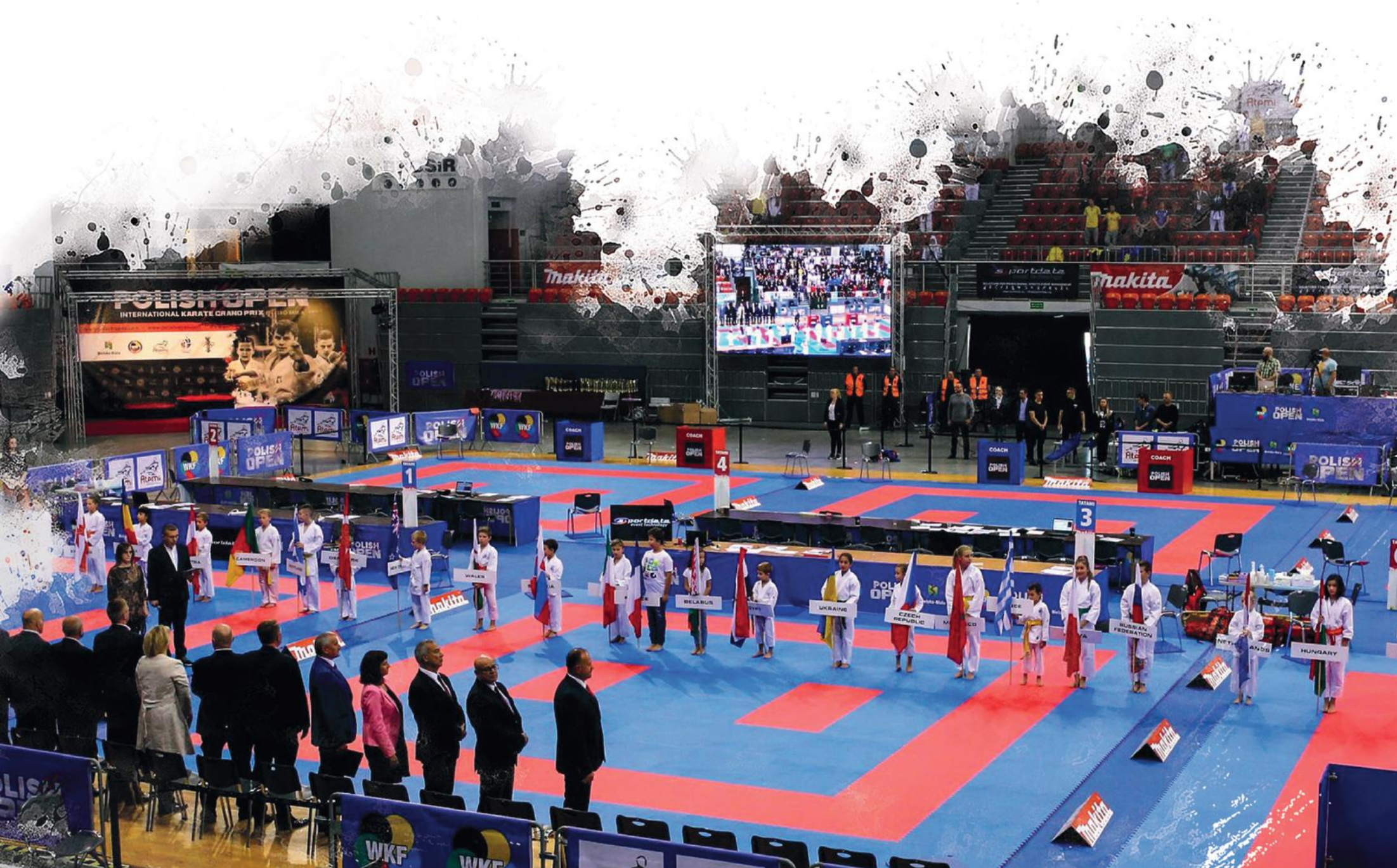


	By the 15.07	By the 31.08	By the 30.09
Single room *	95,00 €	110,00 €	125,00 €
Twin room *	75,00 €	90,00 €	105,00 €
Triple room *	62,50 €	77,50 €	92,50 €

* price per person with breakfast

TRANSFERS:

We can organize transfer for your team from airport to hotel and from hotel to airport. For more information please visit the website: www.polish-open.com/en/transfers or contact with the Organizer via email: info@polish-open.com



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