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Gold Medal in special technique was taken by the Russian Elena Ovchinnikova

The gold medal of the XVI ITF Taekwon-Do World Championships in special technique was taken by the representative of team Russia-1 Elena Ovchinnikova.

According to the results of the main part of competitions in special technique Elena Ovchinnikova and Ilona Tsvetkova of Estonia took 12 points each and the judges awarded additional jumps to define the winner. This resulted in the victory of the Russian athlete. It is interesting that a similar additional performance took place in the fight for the bronze medal – here Ilona Hambergova (Czech Republic) turned out stronger than Ri Chol Ok (DPR Korea).

Elena Ovchinnikova: "I have been practicing taekwon-do since I have been 12 years old. As for the today's competitions, the jump that was victorious for me in the finals was not very good during my training sessions and my coach told me about it. But today my desire to win was great and this helped me to do the jump and win. Today performance in another category – sparring awaits for me at this Championships".

Special technique, female:

1. Elena Ovchinnikova (Russia-1) – 12 points (additional jump – 3)
2. Ilona Tsvetkova (Estonia) – 12 points (additional jump – 0)
3. Ilona Hambergerova (Czech Republic) – 9 points.

