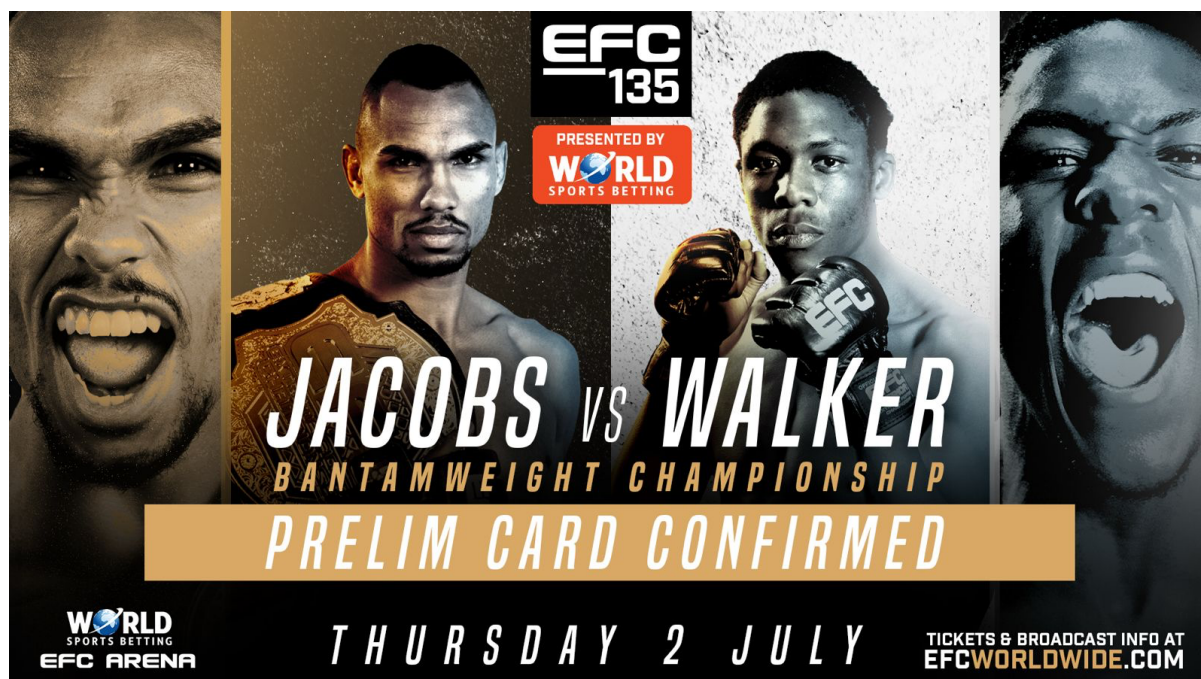


EFC 135 PRELIMINARY CARD CONFIRMED

RISING CONTENDERS, UNDEFEATED PROSPECTS AND PROFESSIONAL DEBUTS SET FOR JULY 2



Johannesburg, South Africa – 15 June 2026

The EFC 135 fight card is now complete, featuring a preliminary card packed with promising prospects, experienced veterans, international talent, and future championship hopefuls.

While bantamweight champion Faez Jacobs and challenger Gift Walker prepare to headline the event in Johannesburg, a new generation of athletes will be looking to seize their own opportunity on July 2 at the WSB EFC Arena.

Leading the preliminary card is a pivotal bantamweight contest between South Africa's Moses Mokhari and Zimbabwe's unbeaten Bryn Gwavava.

Mokhari enters the bout riding a three-fight winning streak and fresh off an impressive victory over Musa Sethwape at EFC 133. Across from him stands the undefeated Gwavava, who has stopped all three of his opponents before the end of the second round. With both athletes pushing toward contention, this South Africa versus Zimbabwe matchup could have significant implications for the future of the division.

Another athlete attracting attention is undefeated featherweight Yaseen Adams, who faces experienced Zimbabwean campaigner Guide Moyo.

Adams has continued to impress with a well-rounded skill set and a willingness to battle through difficult moments, while Moyo brings years of experience and an unpredictable submission game. For Adams, it represents another opportunity to prove he belongs among the division's rising stars.

The women's featherweight division also welcomes a highly anticipated professional debut as IMMAF World Champion Charmaine Venter enters the Hexagon for the first time against Nepal's Anisha Khadka.

Venter arrives with strong amateur credentials after capturing IMMAF world championship honours, while Khadka brings international experience and an aggressive Muay Thai style to what promises to be an intriguing matchup.

Elsewhere, former featherweight title challenger Nerik Simoes returns to action against Ayanda Zwane in a fascinating clash of styles. Simoes enters on a two-fight winning streak and will look to overcome the movement and counter-striking of Zwane, who has frustrated opponents with his elusive approach and intelligent use of range.

The flyweight division will also be represented when rising prospect Mfanafuthi Ngobese takes on veteran Salahuddin Plaatjies. Ngobese impressed in his most recent outing with a devastating body-kick finish and now faces one of the division's most experienced competitors in Plaatjies, whose grappling pedigree has troubled opponents throughout his EFC career.

Further international flavour is added by Angolan prospect Clelio Diogo, who makes his EFC debut against Nicolaas Vermaak. Undefeated as a professional and already creating headlines through bold predictions on social media, Diogo arrives looking to announce himself on Africa's biggest MMA stage.

The card also features a professional debut clash between Angola's Elisio Andre and South Africa's Trevor Mutsila, with both athletes looking to begin their careers with a statement victory.

The preliminary card will be broadcast live on Discover Sport, providing athletes with a major platform to showcase their abilities before a global audience.

With championship ambitions, unbeaten records, international rivalries and professional debuts all featured throughout the undercard, EFC 135 continues to showcase the depth of talent emerging across African mixed martial arts.

MAIN EVENT

Bantamweight Championship

Faez Jacobs vs Gift Walker

FEATURED MAIN CARD

Lightweight

Kaleka Kabanda vs Emmanuel Sita

Women's Strawweight

Jessica Mouneimne vs Nicole van Wyk

Bantamweight

Eduardo Barros vs Mlungisi Mbizane

Catchweight (194 lbs / 88 kg)

Jaden van der Merwe vs Roy Lokolo

FEATURED PRELIMINARY BOUTS

Featherweight

Yaseen Adams vs Guide Moyo

Women's Featherweight

Charmaine Venter vs Anisha Khadka

Bantamweight

Moses Mokhari vs Bryn Gwavava

Bantamweight

Nicolaas Vermaak vs Clelio Diogo

Featherweight

Nerik Simoes vs Ayanda Zwane

Welterweight

Elisio Andre vs Trevor Mutsila

Flyweight

Mfanafuthi Ngobese vs Salahuddin Plaatjies

EFC 135 FIGHT NIGHT – THURSDAY 2 JULY

WSB EFC Arena, Johannesburg

15:00 – Preliminary Card

Live on Discovery Sport

19:00 – Main Card

Live on SuperSport, SABC Openview, DAZN and other international broadcast partners

Broadcast and ticket information is available at: efcworldwide.com

EFC 135 takes place on July 2 presented by World Sports Betting at the WSB EFC Arena in Johannesburg, South Africa.