

Rules for Competition

5.1 General

- Red and Blue Flags system will be used for all events.
- Red and Blue Belts are compulsory for all events.
- WKF Rules will be used throughout the competition with slight modifications on certain age groups.
- Competitors must wear a clean white Traditional Karate Gi as per WKF rules.
- Competitors age as on day of competition and not entry closing date.
- In any categories, if less than 3 competitors the organiser can merge or cancel categories.
- It is the coaches' responsibility to ensure that all competitors are fully licensed and insured.
- Under no circumstances can competitors move up in categories except for Kata competitors 16/17 years who can compete in the 16+ section.
- No late entries (closing date 25th March 2019), and no entries on the day.

5.2 Kata Rules

- Under 7 years open and Novice to 5th Kyu categories – Lower Grade kata's only. Please see kata list (page 8). Can Repeat Kata.
- 8-9 years and 10-11 years 4th kyu and above section can perform any kata's and can alternate
- 12-13 years old and 30 years+ can alternate Katas.
- Under 14s two competitors at a time.
- 14+ WKF Rules apply.
- Para Kata – Can Repeat Kata's
- No reperchage for any age
- Under no circumstance can competitors move up in categories except for Kata competitors 16/17 years who can compete in the 16+ section.

Kata List for 7 and under, and 5th kyu and below categories			
Goju Ryu	Wado Ryu	Shotokan	Shito Ryu
Taikyoku Jodan	Basic Khion Kata	Basic Khion Kata	Junino (Basic)
Taikyoku Chudan	Pinan Nidan	Heian Shodan	Pinan Nidan
Taikyoku Gedan	Pinan Shodan	Heian Nidan	Pinan Shodan
Taikyoku Kakie Uke	Pinan Sandan	Heian Sandan	Pinan Sandan
Taikyoku Mawashi Uke	Pinan Yodan	Heian Yondan	Pinan Yodan
Gekisai Dai Ichi	Pinan Godan	Heian Godan	Pinan Godan
Gekisai Dai Ni			

5.3 Kumite Rules

Under 14

- WKF style Red and Blue Hand Pads, Belts and Gum shields are COMPULSORY.
- No head contact allowed – enforcing the 10cm ruling.
- No Reperchage.
- WKF style shin and instep is advised for under 12, compulsory for 12 plus.
- 8 Points Clear.
- **Under no circumstance can competitors move up in categories**

14 Plus

- WKF Rules apply.
- No Reperchage.
- **Under no circumstance can competitors move up in categories.**

Team Kumite

- 3 competitor team event, teams can compete with 2 karateka
- Order – 1) Male, 2) Female, 3) Male
- The winner is the team with most wins. If wins are the same, then most points scored. If points scored is the same then it will be taken to a final match **where**

the 1st fighters fight again, in the case of a draw the referee shall decide on Hanti.

5.4 **Bout Times**

9 years and under

- 1 Minute

10 – 13 years

- 1 Minute 30 Seconds

14 Years Plus

- 2 Minutes

Please Note - we reserve the right to reduce bout times if we feel that this needs to be done in circumstances such as any unforeseen delays impacting on the finishing time of competition. If this does happen we will let you know.

5.5 **Draw System**

- We will be using akaa.co.uk to do an automatic random draw, which will keep the same clubs competitors as far away from each other as possible.
- This System will also produce draws and entry details on the website, akaa.co.uk

6. Important Rules for Parents & Spectators

- **Club coaches please communicate these important rules to parents, competitors and supporters from your club**

- 6.1 Your club's entry to this competition is on the understanding that ALL parents and students accept the following rules. If you do not agree or think they are unreasonable, please speak to the organisers prior to the competition and BEFORE entries are submitted.
- 6.2 Parents and spectators **CANNOT** approach any officials' tables or referees under any circumstances. Please speak to your club coach who will then discuss the matter with the relevant officials.
- 6.3 **The competition zone area is reserved for competitors and their coaches. Only competitors whose categories have been called will be able to enter the competition zone area. Parents and spectators will not be allowed in the competition zone area.**
- 6.4 **No Protests** will be allowed concerning referees decisions by anyone. This competition is run in good faith and we will all be doing our best to make it a successful day.
- 6.5 Discourteous behavior towards competitors/ officials/ parents will result in disqualification from this competition and future events.
- 6.6 **We would like everyone to enjoy the day and be able to support their club's competitors. We therefore ask for mutual respect in the spectators seating area – please do not stand up when supporting competitors, it makes it very hard for others to see their competitors.**
- 6.7 Photography & video – parents and coaches are requested to turn off their flash options on their devices when taking photographs and videos of competitors. The bright light causes difficulties for those on the tatami.
- 6.8 Photographs will be taken by the organiser's official photographer/s and photos will be used for publicity purposes. Please speak to James or Rob if you do not want photographs taken of a competitor.
- 6.9 Any infringements may result in the competitor or team being barred from the event and future events.
- 6.10 WKF Rules can be downloaded from <http://www.wkf.net/ksportrules-regulations.php>.
- 6.11 Entry to this event is on the understanding that the organisers and owner of the venue accepts no responsibility or liability for any injury or loss that may result from the event.
- 6.12 All competitors must bring a valid licence, either EKF or National governing body affiliated to the WKF.

6.13 First Aiders will be in attendance throughout the entire duration of the event

