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Karate 1 – Premier League

Paris (France)



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### 1. WELCOME MESSAGE

### 1.1 Greeting from the Host Federation

As President of the French Karate Federation, it is with immense pride and anticipation that I welcome you to the 2025 edition of the Karate 1 Premier League in Paris, set to take place from January 24th to 26th. This event stands as one of the most prestigious competitions in the world of karate, attracting elite athletes, passionate fans, and the global karate community to the heart of France.



The Karate 1 Premier League has consistently showcased the finest talent the sport has to offer, with its stages around the world serving as proving grounds for athletes who embody the values of karate: respect, discipline, courage, and perseverance. Paris, with its rich sporting history and vibrant culture, offers the perfect backdrop for this international spectacle. As we welcome competitors from across the globe, we are reminded of karate's power to transcend borders, fostering unity through a shared passion for the martial art.

I would like to extend my deepest thanks to the organizing committee, volunteers, and sponsors, whose tireless efforts make this event possible. The success of the Karate 1 Premier League in Paris is a testament to their commitment, and to the support of the French karate community. I would also like to express my gratitude to the World Karate Federation for entrusting Paris with this prestigious tournament.

Finally, to the athletes, coaches, and fans, thank you for your unwavering dedication to karate. Whether you are competing, supporting, or simply enjoying the atmosphere, your passion fuels the sport's continued success. Over the coming days, we will witness extraordinary performances, moments of triumph, and displays of true sportsmanship.

Let the Karate 1 Premier League Paris 2025 be a celebration of everything that makes our sport great. I wish all competitors the best of luck, and I look forward to seeing karate at its finest in the City of Lights.

Sincerely,

Francis Didier French Karate Federation President





### 2. INTRODUCTION

The Karate 1 - Premier League is the most important league event in the world of Karate. It comprises of a number of the most prominent Karate competitions and endeavours to bring together the best Karate athletes in the world in an open Championships of unprecedented scale and quality.

Initiated in 2011, the 2025 edition is formed by four events being held in the cities of Paris, Hangzhou, Cairo and Rabat thus stating Karate's impact all around the world and its global scale.

At the final Premier League event 2025, the top-ranked athletes in each category are presented with the "Grand Winners" award. In order to be eligible to receive the "Grand Winners" award, competitors have to participate in at least 3 events.

### 3. INTRODUCTION KARATE 1-PREMIER LEAGUE PARIS 2025

The Karate 1 – Premier League Paris 2025 will be held from 24th to 26th of January in 2025

### 4. COMPETITION INFORMATION

### 4.1 Categories

The competition categories are identical to the divisions of the Senior Individual World Championships.

#### **KATA**

Individual Female/Male

#### **KUMITE**

Female -50 kg, -55kg, -61 kg, -68 kg, +68kg

Male -60 kg, -67 kg, -75 kg, -84 kg, +84 kg

#### 4.2 Prizes

For individual categories (Kumite and Kata):

Gold Medalist: 1.000 €
 Silver Medalist: 500 €
 Third Places: 250 €





#### 5. CONTACT INFORMATION

#### 5.1 Organizers contact details



French Karate Federation: www.ffkarate.fr

39 rue Barbès, 92120 MONTROUGE

info@ffkarate.fr

### 5.2 Local Organising Committee contact details

Event Manager: Mrs. Célia SAMSON / opendeparis@ffkarate.fr

### 5.3 WKF Event Supervisor contact

The WKF Event Supervisor for this Premier League event is Mr. Esteban Perez. His contact details are as follows:

Email: esteban@wkf.net

Telephone: +34 679336867

#### **5.4** Safe Sport contact

WKF events must be safe for all athletes and participants and entirely free from any form of non-accidental violence, namely, harassment and abuse. Any such behaviour will not be tolerated.

If you or someone you know has been the victim of abuse or harassment in Karate, get help and report it.

Your first point of contact for any incident at this event is the WKF Event Supervisor, whose contact information you can find detailed above.

Otherwise, any other incident can be reported via the <u>WKF Official Complaint Form</u> and sent to: <u>safekarate@wkf.net</u>





### 6. WKF APPROVED PROTECTIONS, KARATEGIS & TATAMIS

The Karate 1 - Premier League complies with the highest level of presentation. In order to guarantee the correct delivery of the event, and to ensure the suitable quality of the tournament, exclusively the following brands are WKF Approved for use in the 2025 Karate 1 - Premier League season.

### **"WKF Approved" SPORT PROTECTIONS(\*)**

























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<u>IMPORTANT:</u> The Sport Protections with "WKF Approved" license during the period 2020 - 2024, will be accepted until June 30th, 2025.

CHECK THE COMPULSORY PROTECTIONS FOR THIS COMPETITION



### OFFICIAL KARATEGI KARATE 1 – PREMIER LEAGUE(\*)

The use of Kumite and Kata karategis with the brand name embroidered on the shoulders in RED or BLUE is mandatory in Karate 1- Premier League tournaments.

The authorized companies to use these karategis models are:

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ADIDAS	ARAWAZA	<u>BESTSPORT</u>	BUDO-NORD
DAEDO	<u>HAYASHI</u>	<u>PUNOK</u>	МООТО
SMAI	TOKAIDO	WACOKU	WESING
FUJIMAE	<u>KO</u>	<u>KUROBUSHI</u>	SHUREIDO
TUSAH			

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#### "WKF Approved" TATAMIS











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# 7. EVENTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 23/01/25	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium					
	REGISTRATION FOR PREMIER LEAGUE EVENT					
	Timeslots by alphabetic order of Countries will be applied to ensure a smooth onsite registration process. Such timeslot will be established once finished the online registration.					
4 00 10 h	ENTRY: 2 team representatives	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium				
10:00 h – 16:00 h	1) Waivers, Passport & Accreditation Check 2) System Check (Sportdata) 3) Back Number & Lanyard Pick Up 4) Accreditation Pick Up 5) Athlete Weigh-in	(Court n°3)				
	Weigh In	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°3)				
17:00 h	COACHES MEETING	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°2)				
19:00 h	DRAW AND DEFINITIVE SCHEDULE (PUBLISHED ONLINE)	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°3)				
20:00 h - 21:30 h	REFEREES BRIEFING	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°2)				



WKF COACH COURSE					
10:00 – 12:00 h	Onsite Accreditation Session por the Coach Programme  STATIONS  1) Waiver, Passport & Accreditation Check 2) Sportdata Check	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°2)			
13:00 – 14:30 h	ACCREDITED COACH BRIEFING				
14:30 – 15:15 h	KUMITE COACH EXAMINATION	Pierre de Coubertin			
15:15 – 16:00 h	KATA COACH EXAMINATION	Stadium			
16:00 h – 17:00 h	COACH EXAMINATIONS RESULTS  &  ACCREDITATIONS DELIVERY FOR THOSE COACHES WHO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION	Room nº 1			



## **COMPETITION PROGRAMME**

PREMIER LEAGUE 2025: ROUND ROBIN SYSTEM

	FRIDAY 24/01/2025				
	Kata Individual – Round Robin				
9:00 Female					
	Kumite Individual – Round Robin				
10:30	Male -60 Kg				
12:00	Female -50 Kg				
13:30	Male -67 Kg				
15:00	Female -55 Kg				
16:30	<u> </u>				
	Kata Individual – Quarter Finals & Semi Finals				
18:15 Female					
	Kumite- Quarter Finals				
18:45	Male & Female -60kg/ -50kg/ -67kg/ -55kg/ -75kg				
Kumite-Semi Finals					
19:35	Male & Female -60kg/ -50kg/ -67kg/ -55kg/ -75kg				
20:30 End of the Friday's Competition					

SATURDAY 25/01/2025				
	Kata Individual – Round Robin			
9:00 Male				
	Kumite Individual – Round Robin			
10:30	Female -61 Kg			
12:00	Male -84 Kg			
13:30	Female -68 Kg			
15:00	Male +84 Kg			
16:30 Female +68 Kg				
	Kata Individual – Quarter Finals & Semi Finals			
18:15	Male			
	Kumite – Quarter Finals			
18:45	Female & Male -61kg/ -84kg/ -68kg/ +84kg/ +68kg			
	Kumite – Semi Finals			
19:35	Female & Male -61kg/ -84kg/ -68kg/ +84kg/ +68kg			
20:30 End of the Saturday's Competition				



# PREMIER LEAGUE 2025: MEDALS BOUTS

	SUNDAY 26/01/2	024	
10:00	TV Broadcast		
10:05	Female Kata	Bronze Medals	
10:27	Female Kata	Final	
10:39	Male -60 Kg	Bronze Medals	
11:01	Male -60 Kg	Final	
11:13	Medals	award	
11:23	Female -50 Kg	Bronze Medals	
11:45	Female -50 Kg	Final	
11:57	Male -67 Kg	Bronze Medals	
12:19	Male -67 Kg	Final	
12:31	Medals	award	
12:41	Female -55 Kg	Bronze Medals	
13:03	Female -55 Kg	Final	
13:15	Male -75 Kg. Bronze Medals		
13:37	Male -75 Kg. Final		
13:49	Medals award		
14:00	Lunch Break		
15:00	TV Broadcast		
15:05	Male Kata Bronze Medals		
15:27	Male Kata	Final	
15:39	Female -61 Kg	Bronze Medals	
16:01	Female -61 Kg	Final	
16:13	Medals	award	
16:23	Male -84 Kg	Bronze Medals	
16:45	Male -84 Kg	Final	
16:57	Female -68 Kg.	Bronze Medals	
17:19	Female -68 Kg.	Final	
17:31	Medals	award	
17:41	Male +84 Kg.	Bronze Medals	
18:03	Male +84 Kg.	Final	







18:15	Female +68 Kg	Bronze Medals		
18:37	Female +68 Kg Final			
18:49	Medals	award		
18:59	Clossing			

The detailed competition schedule will be fixed after closing the online registration in order to adequate it to the final number of athletes.

Only the categories appointed will be allowed to stay in the stadium during the authorized timetables.

Detailed information will be communicated at due time.

#### VENUE

#### Pierre de Coubertin Stadium

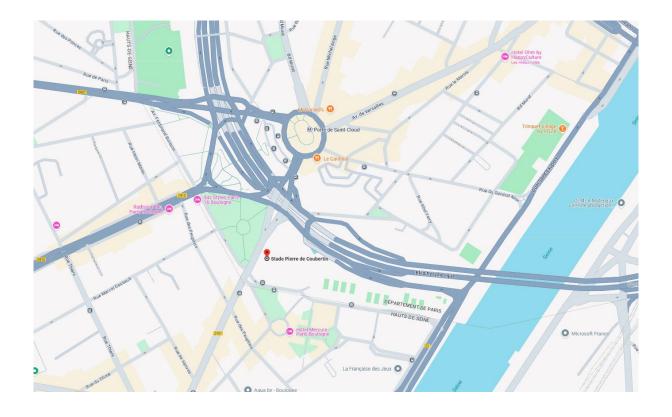
The event will take place at the Pierre de Coubertin Stadium, located at: 82, avenue George Lafont, 75016 PARIS.

#### Access:

Metro: line 9

• Bus: 175, 189, 42, 62

• Train: L, N

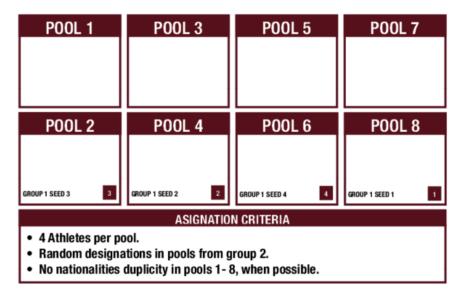




### 7.1 Competition System

The competition system consists of two different phases:

#### **Round Robin Phase**



<sup>\*</sup>Pools of 3 athletes will be draw following the same assignation and order criteria that athlete's seed

The number of pools and athletes per pool depends on the number of competitors registered. This information is detailed in the **WKF World Ranking Rules**.

#### **Elimination Phase**

### **FINAL ROUND**





#### 8. EVENT RANKING

Competitors can earn ranking points in every Karate 1 event according to the official WKF Ranking as can be seen in Section 2 (Points per Place) and Section 4 (Points Calculating System) of the WKF Ranking Rules.

The participation will be limited to the first 100 competitors of the WKF Event Ranking.

The <u>Event Ranking</u> is defined as a static file which reflects on the ranking on the opening day of the online registration for a given event: 24/11/2024

**EVENT RANKING** 

### 9. ONLINE REGISTRATION & OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

Registration starts two (2) months prior to the event, on 24/11/2024 at 12:00 h GMT +0 and close fifteen (15) days before the tournament, on 09/01/2025 at 12:00 h GMT +0

All registration in a Premier League event must be processed ONLINE.

No registration will be accepted after the official online registration deadline and all requests will be declined.

#### Onsite registrations will NOT be accepted.

Registrations subjected to the payment of a registration fee will not be validated until the payment is completed through the online payment platform.

#### Onsite payments will NOT be accepted.

Individuals and National Federations are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data.

The online registration will be openly disclosed for everyone from the beginning, allowing consultation by WKF NFs of the events participants registered in real time.

Any issue regarding online registration has to be notified to the software provider and to the WKF, latest five days before the first day of competition, in order to allow taking them in consideration without altering the smooth running of the process.

#### **Technical Support for Online Registration**

In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the Sportdata software team via the email address; karate1@sportdata.org





### 9.1 Athletes Registration

Athletes registration is divided in the following three phases (all phases will open and close at the 12:00 h GMT +0 of the listed day);

#### PHASE 1

<u>From 24/11/2024 to 01/12/2024</u> (first week for registration)

Registration only by NFs for athletes classified between the positions 1 and 32 (included) in the Event Ranking

No limit of athletes per NF

<u>From 02/12/2024 to 09/12/2024</u> (second week for registration)

Open registration for athletes classified between the positions 1 and 32 (included) in the Event Ranking

No limit of athletes per NF

#### PHASE 2

From 10/12/2024 to 17/12/2024 (next two weeks of registration)

If vacancies, open registration <u>for athletes ranked between positions 33 and 64</u>
(included) in the <u>Event Ranking</u>

No limit of athletes per NF.

#### PHASE 3

From 18/12/2024 to 09/01/2025 (last two weeks of registration)

If vacancies, open inscription <u>for competitors ranked between positions 65 and 100</u>
(<u>included</u>) in the <u>Event Ranking</u>

No limit of athletes per NF.

All competitor registrations must be made ONLINE

ATHLETES REGISTRATION





### 9.1.1 Entry Fee

The entry fee is € 150 per each individual entry.

#### 9.1.2 Payment

All payments must be processed through the ONLINE PAYMENT PLATFORM. Onsite payments will NOT be accepted.

#### 9.1.3 Non-Reported Absences

- Any cancellation of an online registration must be <u>for a justified and duly accredited cause</u> and must be communicated in writing to the WKF (<u>wkf@wkf.net</u>) at least <u>48 hours before the first day of the competition</u>. <u>Title</u>: PL Absence + (event) + (WKF ID)
- 2. In case of an unjustified absence, the athlete will not be able to register in the following TWO (2) Karate 1 Premier League events.
- 3. If the unjustified absence occurs at the last Karate 1 Premier League event of the year, the athlete in question will not be eligible for the Grand Winner title either.

### 9.1.4 Replacement List

- 1. You may sign up for the <u>Replacement List</u> when a category is full (32) by selecting your desire category during the normal registration process, after which payment will not be request and your entry will be listed as Replacement List 'Category'.
- 2. The Replacement list is **only** to as a means of contacting the athlete if and entry declares their absence prior to the event. It does in **NO WAY** imply or suggest that you have been registered for the event, or that you have been promised a place in the event.

#### **Contacting a Replacement**

- 1. If an absence is confirmed via WKF, then, the first registered athlete will be contacted immediately **by email** with instructions to complete the entry fee payment within a strict 24 hours.
- 2. Failure to complete the registration within the 24 hours will lead to the complete removal of the entry and the next person on the replacement list will be contacted.
- 3. After the registration closes, you can still be put your name onto the replacement list manually by writing the WKF (<a href="wkf.net">wkf@wkf.net</a>) up to 7 days before the competition. **Title**: PL Replacement List + (event) + (WKF ID)





#### 9.2 Referees Registration

Only Referees with a WKF Kata Judge-A and/or Kumite Refere-A license are entitled to officiate at Premier League events.

### REFEREE REGISTRATION

After accessing the registration page, you will need to choose your registration group;

- Referees with a WKF Kata Judge-A and/or Kumite Refere-A license: <u>Limited to</u>
   75.
- Referee Commission members
- Referees ranked within the top 30 of the WKF Referee Ranking

The Referee Ranking applicable for Paris 2025 PL will be the one of the opening day of the online registration, 24/11/2024.

TOP 25

All **referee** registrations must be made **ONLINE** 







### 9.3 Coaches Registration

All coach must be in possession to the WKF Kumite o Kata Coach Certification (Coach level 2) to officiate at Premier League events.

### COACH REGISTRATION

All coach registrations must be made ONLINE

Onsite registrations will **not** be accepted.

#### 9.4 Official Onsite Accreditation

The official onsite accreditation will take place on Thursday, 23/01/2025, from 10.00 h to 12.00 h at the Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Court n°3)

If changes are required during the official registration session, due to incorrect or missing registration data, a fee of € 50 is charged for each change.

The athlete's accreditation must contain an updated photograph that allows the athlete to be identifiable throughout the event.

Accreditation cards will be issued at registration, displaying the participants' main data, photograph and information about registered categories. The accreditation card must be carried at all times during the event.

Only members of national federations recognized by WKF are admitted participating, as per the Karate 1 - Premier League Organising Rules

All participants must submit an official passport for the WKF identification and validation at the accreditation session.

The accreditation of all the competitors must be done by the athlete or the athlete's coach, in person bringing the athlete passport at the accreditation session.

Any competitor who may not have collected their accreditation during official registration, either personally or through their delegate, <u>will not be included in the Draw</u>.

The weighing will be carried out immediately after receiving the accreditation, those athletes who will not attend the weighing <u>will not be included in the Draw</u>.







### **10. MANDATORY DOCUMENTS**

#### MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

At the onsite registration, all participants (Coach, Athletes, Referees, Officials) must submit a printed and signed Waiver of Liability form.

There are 3 types, one is for the Club/Team Representative, while the other 2 are for all other participants (Over 18 years old and under 18 years old). Find the links below.

#### **Waiver of Liability Forms:**

- i. NF/Team Representative Waiver (link)
- ii. Individual +18 Form (link)
- iii. Individual 18 Form (Parental Consent) (link)
- The NF/Team Representative takes full responsibility for the validity of all signatures and information provided.

### 11. ANTI DOPING EDUCATION

As a participant in karate, it is your responsibility to follow the WKF Anti-Doping Rules.

Click the <u>here</u> to take an Anti-Doping Education & Learning Course and learn more about your responsibilities. Also, you can visit our website.



#### **Course Recommendations**

International-level Athletes Education
High Performance Coach Education
Medical Professionals Education
Parents of Elite Athletes Education



### 12. BACK NUMBERS

The use of back numbers is compulsory for all categories and modalities in Karate 1 – Premier League events.

The Backnumber for the Karate 1 – Premier League 2025 edition is the following:



WKF will give new backnumbers to those athletes that didn't compete in previous Karate 1 – Premier League events in 2025.

In case of lost or breakage, please contact 15 days before the competition to:

Iván Delfino

WKF Marketing Manager

Email: idelfino@wkf.net

All competitors are required to properly saw the back number on the back of their karategi's jacket.

If the back number is not properly sewn, it can be a reason for disqualification.





### 13. WKF COACH PROGRAMME

According to the WKF Coach Educational Programme, the minimum certification required to take part in Karate 1 – Premier League events is the "Kumite or Kata certification" (level 2). To obtain such certification, coaches must pass the corresponding Kumite or Kata examination.

The Kumite or Kata coach licence can be obtained

- through the WKF E-learning platform for Coaches; <a href="https://www.elearning-wkf.net/">https://www.elearning-wkf.net/</a>
- or by attending to one of the Programmes for Coaches that the WKF held in official events.

A WKF Programme for Coaches will be held in all Karate 1 - Premier League events 2025.

Only coaches in possession of the "WKF Accredited Coach" level have access to the "WKF Kumite or Kata certification".

### 13.1 WKF Programme for Coaches, Paris 2025

Please find below the Coach schedule and the details for the registration process:

#### 13.1.1 Schedule

Accredited Coach Briefing				
Thursday	23/01/2025	from 13:00 h	to 14:30 h	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium
	Contifica	l Vermita Canala I		Room no 1
	Certified	I Kumite Coach E	examination	
Thursday	23/01/2025	from 14:30 h	to 15:15 h	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium
				- Room nº 1
	Certifie	ed Kata Coach Ex	camination	
Thursday	23/01/2025	from 15:15 h	to 16:00 h	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium -
				Room no 1
Exams Results				
Thursday	23/01/2025	from 16:00 h	to 17:00 h	Pierre de Coubertin Stadium
				Room no 1

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Please note that it is possible to take part in both the "Accredited Coach Briefing" and the "Certified Kata and/or Kumite Coach Exams".\*\*\*





### 13.1.2 Online Registration

Those coaches who wish to attend to the "WKF Coach Programme" in Paris must be registered online with deadline **09/01/2025** 

# COACH PROGRAMME REGISTRATION

Should you have any difficulties when registering, please contact <u>karate1@sportdata.org</u> for technical support.

#### 13.1.3 Fees

We would like to remind you that the fees for the Program for WKF Coaches are as follows:

Briefing for "Accredited Coach" level (new application or license renewal) 300 EUR

Examination for "Certified Kumite Coach" (new application or license renewal) **350 EUR** 

Examination for "Certified Kata Coach" (new application or license renewal) **350 EUR** 

### 13.1.4 Payment

All payments must be made through Sportdata platform.

No other methods of payment will be accepted.

Registrations and payments onsite will not be accepted.





### 14. MEDIA

#### 14.1 TV Production

All the events of the 2025 Karate 1 - Premier League will be produced for international distribution on TV. The Sunday competition will be available to a worldwide audience through high-quality TV production provided to TV networks around the world following the agreements of the WKF.

Due to these agreements, <u>VIDEO RECORDING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED UNDER ANY</u> CIRCUNSTANCE.

#### 14.2 YouTube Streaming

The eliminations of the 2025 Karate 1 – Premier League will be available by streaming on WKF YouTube Channel.

Additionally, the medal bouts will be available to stream on the WKF YouTube Channel. However, they will be limited to countries without TV rights.

In the countries where TV networks have acquired the rights to distribute the events, the medal bouts will be available only on the <u>listed TV channels</u>.

#### 14.3 Press

Press accreditation can only be given to professional journalists working for a media and having proof of their credentials.

Media professionals can request press accreditations through the online registration form which can be found here:

PRESS REGISTRATION

Should you need more information about press or media related issues, please contact the World Karate Federation's office: press@wkf.net





# **15. THE VENUE**

Iconic and historic place of French Karate, the Pierre de Coubertin Stadium has hosted the Paris Open Karate since 1996. It is also the stage of many sports events (fencing, badminton, basketball...). It is the home venue of the Paris Saint-Germain Handball team.

The stadium is located at: 82, avenue George Lafont, 75016 PARIS.

#### Access:

Metro: line 9

• Bus: 175, 189, 42, 62

• Train: L, N









### OFFICIAL TATAMI FOR THIS TOURNAMENT

#### 15.1 Lunch services at the Venue

There will be two concession stands catering to the spectators' culinary needs. These stands will offer a variety of delicious food and beverage options, ensuring that everyone can enjoy their favourite snacks and refreshments while they immerse themselves in the event's excitement.

### **16. TICKETS FOR SPECTATORS**

The Karate 1 - Premier League Paris 2025 ticket office will be put online on December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024 at the following link: <a href="https://www.ffkarate.fr/paris-open-karate-2025/">https://www.ffkarate.fr/paris-open-karate-2025/</a>

The prices are the following:

	ADULTS (> 12 years old)	CHILDREN (5-12 years old)
Friday 24/01	12€	8€
Saturday 25/01	16€	10€
Sunday (finals) 26/01	20€	15€
Week-end pass	30€	22€
Three days pass	38€	34€

The entry is free for children under 5 years old.

For groups (more than 10 people):

	PERSON
Week-end pass	24€
Three days pass	30€



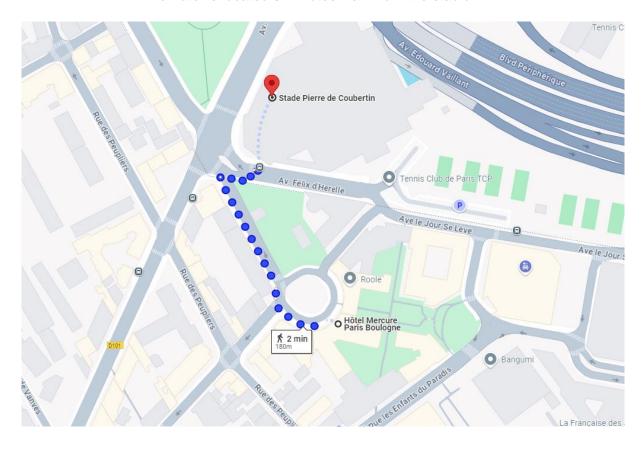


# 17. OFFICIAL HOTELS

### 17.1 Headquarter Hotel

HÔTEL MERCURE PARIS BOULOGNE 37 Pl. René Clair, 92100 Boulogne-Billancourt + 33 (01) 49 10 49 00

The hotel is located 3 minutes walk from the stadium.





#### 17.2 Official Hotels



The website for booking hotels will be available on the 26th november 2024 at the following link:

http://www.accommodation-karatepremierleagueparis.com





### 17.3 Reservation, payment and cancelation

The hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis.

- Please make your accommodation reservation using the following link: http://www.accommodation-karatepremierleagueparis.com
- 50% of the total amount of the booking must be paid at the date of the booking after the reception of a proforma invoice which will confirm the reservation. If the requested hotel is no longer available, a solution of substitution will be proposed, without any obligation of reservation.
- The remaining balance will be due at the very latest 10 days before the arrival

#### FROM THE DATE OF THE BOOKING TO 30 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL:

- Guests can release 40% of its total number of rooms free of charge. Beyond that, 50% of the total amount will be forfeited.
- Guests can release 100% of their transportation booking free of charge.

#### FROM 29 DAYS TO 15 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

- Guests can release 20% of its total number of rooms free of charge. Beyond that, 100% of the cancellations will be forfeited.
- Guests can release 50% of their transportation booking free of charge. Beyond that, 50% of the total amount will be forfeited.

#### FROM 14 DAYS TO 8 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

- Guests can release 10% of its total number of rooms free of charge. Beyond that, 100% of the cancellations will be forfeited.
- Guests can release 50% of their transportation booking free of charge. Beyond that, 100% of the total amount will be forfeited.

#### FROM 7 DAYS TO ARRIVAL

No refunds will be possible.





### **17.4 Transport Services**

Transportation is also proposed from the airport tot he venue and from hotels to the venue.



Booking and more details (from November 26<sup>th</sup>):

http://www.accommodation-karatepremierleagueparis.com





### **18. VISA**

For any information regarding Visa requests, go to www.france-visas.gouv.fr

Contact the EMAIL opendeparis@ffkarate.fr to request an invitation.

### 19. CITY / COUNTRY INFORMATION

#### 19.1 About Paris

Paris, often referred to as the "City of Light," is one of the most iconic and enchanting cities in the world. Nestled along the banks of the Seine River, Paris is renowned for ist rich history, stunning architecture, and a vibrant culture that has left an indelible mark on art, fashion, and cuisine. From the iconic Eiffel Tower that graces its skyline to the world- famous Louvre Museum housing masterpieces like the Mona Lisa, Paris is a treasure trove of cultural and artistic wonders. The city's charming neighborhoods, each with its own unique character, offer a delightful blend of quaint cafes, bustling markets, and historic landmarks. With its timeless beauty, Paris has an irresistible allure that beckons visitors from around the globe to explore its streets and savor the joie de vivre that permeates this remarkable metropolis.

#### Top 15 things to do in Paris

#### 19.2 How to get to Paris

#### By Air:

Most international travelers arrive in Paris via Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) or Orly Airport (ORY). These airports have excellent connections to the city center by train, bus, or taxi.

#### By Train:

The Eurostar high-speed train connects Paris to major European cities, including London, Brussels, and Amsterdam, making it a convenient option for travelers coming from these destinations.

#### By Car:

If you're already in Europe and prefer driving, you can reach Paris by car. Be aware of parking restrictions and consider traffic conditions, especially during peak hours.

#### By Bus:

Several long-distance bus companies offer services to Paris from various European cities. It's usually a budget-friendly option, but the journey may take longer than by train or plane.





#### From Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) to the center of Paris

#### **RER B Train:**

The RER B train is a popular and cost-effective option. The CDGVAL shuttle train connects the airport terminals to the RER B station. From there, you can take the RER B train to various central locations in Paris, including Gare du Nord, Châtelet-Les Halles, and Saint-Michel-Notre-Dame. The journey takes approximately 30-40 minutes. Trains run regularly, typically every 10-15 minutes.

#### Airport Shuttle Bus:

Various shuttle bus services operate between CDG and central Paris. These buses have multiple stops in the city, including popular locations like Gare de Lyon, Porte Maillot, and the Eiffel Tower. The travel time may vary based on traffic conditions but typically takes around 45 minutes to an hour.

#### Taxi:

Taxis are readily available at CDG. The journey to the city center by taxi can take around 30-45 minutes, depending on traffic. Be sure to use licensed taxis and make sure the meter is running.

#### **Private Transfer:**

You can also book a private transfer in advance. This can be a more comfortable and hassle-free option, especially if you have a lot of luggage or are traveling with a group.

#### Ridesharing Services:

Uber and other ridesharing services are available at CDG. They offer a convenient door-to-door option to reach the city center.

#### From Orly to the center of Paris

#### Orlyval Light Rail + RER B Train:

Take the Orlyval light rail from Orly Airport to the Antony station. From Antony, transfer to the RER B train, which will take you to various central locations in Paris, including Gare du Nord, Châtelet-Les Halles, and Saint-Michel-Notre-Dame. This journey typically takes around 30-40 minutes by train.

#### Orlybus:

Orlybus is a dedicated shuttle bus service that connects Orly Airport to central Paris. It runs from Orly to Denfert-Rochereau station, which is well-connected to other parts of the city. The journey usually takes about 20-30 minutes.





#### <u>Tramway T7 + Metro:</u>

The T7 tram connects Orly Airport to the Villejuif - Louis Aragon metro station on Line 7. From there, you can take Line 7 of the Paris Metro to reach central locations in the city. The entire journey may take around 30-40 minutes.

#### Taxi:

Taxis are available at Orly Airport. The travel time by taxi to the city center typically ranges from 30 to 45 minutes, depending on traffic conditions.

#### **Private Transfer:**

Consider booking a private transfer in advance if you prefer a more comfortable and hassle-free option, especially if you have a lot of luggage or are traveling with a group.

#### **Ridesharing Services:**

Ridesharing services like Uber are also available at Orly Airport, offering a convenient door-to-door option.

#### 19.3 Practical Information

#### Language:

The official language of France is french.

#### **Currency:**

The official currency of France is Euro (€)

#### Weather:

Temperature: Daytime temperatures are generally cool, hovering around 6°C (43°F) on average. Nighttime temperatures can drop to around 2°C (36°F) or lower.

Rainfall: January is one of the wetter months in Paris, with an average of 50-60 millimeters of rainfall. Be prepared for occasional rain showers and drizzle.

Daylight: Days are quite short, with limited daylight hours. You can expect around 8 hours of daylight in January.

Sunshine: While there will be some sunny days, it's common to have overcast and gray skies during this month.

Wind: Paris can experience some blustery days, so it's a good idea to dress warmly and wear layers.

#### Paris Time Zone:

The time zone in Paris in January is UTC+1.

<u>Important phone numbers in Paris:</u>





#### **Emergency Services:**

- Police: 17

- Medical Emergency (SAMU): 15

- Fire Department (Pompiers): 18

- European Emergency Number (works in Paris and throughout the European

Union): 112

#### **Medical Assistance:**

SOS Médecins (non-emergency medical assistance at home): 01 47 07 77 77

#### **Pharmacies:**

To find an open pharmacy outside regular business hours, call 01 45 45 57 55 or check for signs on the nearest pharmacy indicating the closest one that's open.

#### Lost or Stolen Credit Cards:

- Visa: 08 00 90 11 79

- MasterCard: 08 00 90 13 87

- American Express: 01 47 77 72 00

#### **Embassies and Consulates:**

Contact your country's embassy or consulate for assistance in case of emergencies or other issues.

#### **Tourist Information:**

• Paris Tourist Office: 08 92 68 30 00

• Gare du Nord Tourist Information: 01 53 31 50 00

• Gare de Lyon Tourist Information: 01 40 02 34 15

#### **Public Transportation:**

For information on public transportation, you can call the RATP (Régie Autonome des Transports Parisiens) hotline: 32 46 or visit their website for updates and schedules.

#### Taxis:

While there isn't a single emergency number for taxis, you can find taxi services in Paris through various taxi companies. Taxis G7 is one of the well-known taxi services in Paris.

### 20. MERCHANDISING

There is an opportunity for Vendors to have a stand in the arena. Please contact <a href="mailto:opendeparis@ffkarate.fr">opendeparis@ffkarate.fr</a>







### 21. MISCELLANEOUS

The local sponsors of the event are:

- Région Île-de-France
- Noris





Follow the French Karate Federation and Paris Open Karate account to have all the information regarding the event :

Facebook: @ParisOpenKarate

Instagram: @ParisOpenKarate

Twitter: @ffkarate

YouTube: Fédération Française de Karaté

### 22. OMISSIONS

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.



















