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KARATE 1 – PREMIER LEAGUE



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GENERAL OUTLINE

The Karate 1 - Premier League is an open competition where all WKF members are entitled to participate.

However, in order to ensure the correct development of the tournaments and due to the high level of competition of an elite sport, the following basic terms are established for the registration.

- Participation limited to 32 competitors per category.
- Priority access to register given to National Federations.
- Priority for the registration of athletes per categories, as ranked between positions nº 1 and nº 32 (included) of the Event Ranking.
- Participation open to positions 1-100 as per the Event Ranking

The individually registered members don't need the permission of their national federations to participate, but they must be members of an officially recognised WKF National Federation

EVENT RANKING

The Event Ranking is defined as a static file which reflects the ranking on the opening day of the online registration for a given event.

In each tournament there are:

- 1 first place - gold medal
- 1 second place – silver medal
- 2 third places – bronze medals

Competitors of individual categories earn points in every Karate 1 - Premier League event according the official WKF Ranking system.



After the conclusion of the final Karate 1 – Premier League event of a season, those competitors ranked 1st in each category of the Karate 1 – Premier League standing, will be proclaimed the Grand Winners.

The Grand Winner is obliged to participate in at least 3 (three) events per season.

The Karate 1 – Premier League events are a scoring event for the 2024-2025 standing of the WKF Individual Karate Championships.

1 COMPETITION CATEGORIES & FORMAT

[WKF Competitions Rules](#) are applied.

1.1 Competition Categories

The competition categories are the same as the individual categories for World Senior Championships.

KATA

Individual Female/Male

KUMITE

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

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

1.2 Competition Format

Round robin (R-r) system for:

- Elimination Rounds

Elimination system for:

1. Quarterfinals
2. Semifinals
3. Bronze medals and Finals

The video review system will be used during all the phases (including elimination rounds).



1.3 Sport Equipment

Only the [“WKF approved” protections](#) can be used at the Karate 1 - Premier League events

At Karate 1 - Premier League events it is compulsory to use the [“WKF APPROVED” Karategis](#) with the brand **embroidered on the shoulders in red or blue.**

2 APPLICATION, SITE AND DATE

The NF host cities of the events should be major cities within their country or among the first three cities with comparable appeal and infrastructure and international airport with direct connections to most major international airports.

Based on the decisions of the Executive Committee (EC), the WKF HQ will issue a final Karate 1 - Premier League calendar by December 15th of the preceding year. However, a preliminary Karate 1 - Premier League calendar shall be issued as soon as decisions about hosts of Karate 1 - Premier League events have been made.

The Karate 1 season is one calendar year.

A Karate 1 - Premier League tournament should have a duration of three days, which will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

No later than three months before the date of the scheduled event the host must send a bulletin draft (following the template provided by the WKF) to the WKF headquarters with all relevant information about the event. After its approval, the WKF will circulate the final bulletin to all WKF National Federations members the day of the opening of the online registration.

3 COMPETITION VENUE

3.1 Arena Dimensions

The competition area must be large enough to accommodate four (4) matted areas in one line. The medal bouts will be held on one tatami.



During the eliminations round, each competition area measures 8 x 8 meters, and it is surrounded by a further 2 meters wide safety area. Therefore, it is mandatory to have 12 x 12 meters per area.

For medal bouts, a 3 meters wide safety area is required. Therefore, it is mandatory to have 14 x 14 meters per area.

The Tatami must be [WKF Approved](#).

The design of the Competition Area must follow the design provided by the WKF in Annex 1 of the Host agreement.

3.2 Spectator Seating

The spectator seating capacity must be in line with the number of affiliated members of the host National Federation (NF). In this way, at least 2/3 of the capacity should be covered during the bouts for medals, scheduled for Sunday. However, there should be seating for at least 2.000 spectators. Seating must be reserved for WKF VIPs, referees, coaches and competitors.

3.3 Stadium Rooms

There must be adequately spaced, separate rooms for the following:

- **WARM-UP PRACTICE (KUMITE & KATA)**
A room with enough free floor space for a minimum of two competition areas for competitors to practice inside the Stadium must be provided. This area must be provided with Tatami mats. There must be a communication system between this room and the competition area.
- **PRESS & MEDIA**
See point 17. Communication
- **MEDICAL & DOPING CONTROL**
The host must ensure that this room is fully equipped according to the WKF Anti-Doping Rules.
- **CHANGING ROOMS**
There should be large changing rooms with showers, separated for male and for female.
- **VIP LOUNGE**
It must be a lounge-type room of comfortable and spacious proportions, with snacks and refreshment facilities.



3.4 Podium

There will be three separate awarding ceremonies for the gold, silver and bronze medalists.

No national anthems will be played, and no raising of national flags shall happen. During the presentation of awards, the WKF approved anthem will be played.

3.5 Music of the event

The WKF will provide the official music for the event through the software provider and only that music must be played throughout the duration of the event.

3.6 Lighting conditions

The competition venue shall have adequate lighting as expressly approved by the WKF broadcast.

4 ACCOMMODATION

The host must provide a list of official hotels with a sufficient number of rooms and declare one hotel as the headquarters hotel where the organizing committee can be reached permanently and where all the information concerning the event is accessible via a help desk. This must be a non-stop operation from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.

The headquarters hotel and official hotels shall be of a good standard and priced in realistic context with national rates.

The hotel chosen as headquarters should have available a minimum of one hundred (100) rooms for the duration of the Championships.

The headquarters hotel shall have as a priority the accommodation of the following in the order below:

WKF Team

- WKF Supervisor
- WKF Chief Referee
- WKF Protocol
- WKF Press
- WKF TV Commentator
- WKF Speaker
- WKF HQ staff



Referees

The headquarters hotel may also be used for delegation members, provided that all officials mentioned above have been given priority bookings.

WKF Software Provider

5 TRANSPORTATION

- **WKF Team** - Transfers between the airport, the venue and the HQ hotel must be provided by the Host.
- **Official Referees** - Transfers between the HQ and venue must be provided by the Host. The host is not responsible for any transport between the airport and the HQ hotel for referees
- **Athletes or delegations** - The host is not responsible for any transport.

6 ONLINE REGISTRATION, COACH INFORMATION, ONSITE ACCREDITATION & ACCREDITATION CARDS

In order to avoid any possible mismatches between the athletes' registrations and final participation, all registrations will only be accepted online, and they will be completed only after processing the relevant payment of the registration fee through the online payment platform.

No onsite registration and payments will be accepted. Both online registration and payments must be validated through the registration platform.

6.1 Online Registration

The online registration starts two (2) months prior to the event and closes fifteen (15) days before the tournament.

There is no limit of athletes per NF.

The registration is divided into the following three phases:

1st PHASE,

- First Week of Registration → Registration of athletes classified between the positions 1 and 32 (included) in the Event Ranking done only by NFs.
- Second Week of Registration → Open registration for athletes classified between the positions 1 and 32 (included) in the Event Ranking.



2nd PHASE, following week → If vacancies, open registration for athletes ranked between positions 33 and 64 (included) of the Event Ranking.

3rd PHASE, last three weeks → If vacancies, open inscription for competitors ranked between positions 65 and 100 (included) of the Event Ranking.

Once the official online registration has finished, an additional registration period of 48 h may be opened for all athletes ranked between positions 1-100 of the event ranking, until the maximum number of 32 athletes per category has been completed.

The entry fee for WKF Karate 1 - Premier League events is € 150 per each individual category entry.

All competitors, officials (including VIP), referees, coaches and media representatives must be registered during the online registration period, using the online system provided by the approved WKF software partner.

Therefore, each individual participant or National Federation must create a user account. This user account and all entered data can be reused for all the other Premier League events. In case of problems or questions, users can directly contact the software provider.

The online registration of athletes will be openly disclosed from the beginning, allowing consultation by WKF NFs of the competitors that are being registered in real time. Any comment regarding online registration should be addressed to the software provider as soon as possible, with the WKF in copy, in order to allow taking these issues into consideration without altering the smooth running of the process. Fifteen days before the start of the event the online registration will close. Any comments will then have to be notified to the software provider and to the WKF five days before the first day of competition at the latest.

The URL for online registration must be included prominently in all bulletins.

The software provided requires that all necessary registration data for competitors, coaches and referees must be entered during online registration.

This includes the following data:

- Name and surname of the competitor.
- National Federation.
- Date of birth.



- Gender (Female/Male).
- Photograph (size according to software specification).

Users are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data. The registration automatically closes at the end of the online registration period. If changes for athletes, coaches and officials are required during the official accreditation session because of incorrect or missing registration data, a fee of € 50, is charged for each change.

6.2 Coach Information

According to the current WKF Coach Education Programme, the minimum certification required to take part in the Karate 1 - Premier League events is the “Kumite or Kata Coach” certification (level 2). To obtain such certification, coaches must have the “Accredited Coach” level and then pass the corresponding examination either through the WKF Coach platform online or participating in one of the Programmes for Coaches that are being held in WKF official events throughout the year.

6.3 Onsite Accreditation & Accreditation Cards

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

The accreditation of any competitor must be done by the athlete or the athlete’s coach, in person, bringing the athlete’s passport to the accreditation session.

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

The competitor who has not collected his/her accreditation card during the accreditation session will not be included in the event draw.

The official accreditation session will take place the Thursday before the competition, from 10.00 hrs. to 16.00 hrs.

The host must provide a large room of a minimum of 60 sqm and an ample entrance and exit in the Headquarters Hotel for the onsite accreditation.



The host must provide a sufficient number of people to ensure smooth operation of the accreditation session. These persons must be able to communicate in the English language and read English documents.

The registration documents and all paperwork connected with the event must be written at least in English.

At the onsite accreditation session, accreditation cards will be issued bearing the holder's main data, a photograph and information about registered categories.

The accreditation card must be carried at all times during the event.

The generation of accreditation cards for competitors, officials, referees, coaches and media representatives is done by the software provider, including an official layout template for accreditation cards provided by the WKF HQ. This layout must be used for all WKF Karate 1 - Premier League events.

Only competitors and coaches with accreditation cards are allowed to enter the competition area.

Only competitors authenticated by accreditation cards are allowed to participate.

6.4 Non-reported absences

Any cancellation of an online registration must be **due to a justified and duly accredited cause** and must be communicated in writing to the WKF at least **48 hours before the first day of the competition.**

For replacements of these justifiable absences, **a waiting list will be available up to 7 days before the first day of the competition,** in those categories in which the quota of 32 athletes has been completed.

The registration fee for cancellations that have been justified on time and for an accredited cause, will be refunded by the Organizing Federation, after the approval by the WKF, upon completion of the event and through the same means of payment of the registration fee.

In case of unjustified and unaccredited absence, the athlete will not be able to register **at the following TWO Karate 1 - Premier League events.**

If the non-justified 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.**



7 WEIGHING

The weighing will be carried out immediately after receiving the accreditation and according to the WKF rules.

The weighing will be mandatory for athletes to be included in the draw.

The host must provide 2 (two) adjoining rooms, 1 (one) for men and 1 (one) for women in the HQ hotel with separate entrances and exits.

The Weighing of women will be performed separately from the weighing of men.

A larger space will be used for disrobing and a smaller area will be for the actual weighing.

Two (2) accurate electronic scales will be required. One of them will be provided by the Software Provider and the other by the Local Organising Committee (LOC).

8 THE DRAW

The draw will be conducted after the completion of the official accreditation session and weigh-in, through the event software program and by the local software officer in the presence of the WKF Supervisor or a person specifically designated by the WKF Supervisor.

The sporting level of the competition will be established through the draw procedure detailed below, in order to secure the standards of this individual competition and to give an equal chance to all the competitors.

BASIS OF THE DRAW

Entries for the draw will be taken from the online registration database, assigning all athletes a number from 1 to 32.

The draw will be made via the official WKF software.

The Event Ranking that is published on the day of the opening of the online registration will be applied, in order to define the draw seeds.

The assignation criteria in the draw will be:

- Per group: Always maximum 4 athletes and minimum 3 athletes. *
- Random designations in pools from round 2.



- Position in the Event Ranking for the formation of groups.
- No coincidence of athletes of the same nationality in the same group, when possible.

*The number of athletes assigned to each pool is defined in the [ranking rules \(Diagram 5: Round Robin Group Assignment Chart\)](#).

PROCEDURE

The draw will be made by forming 8 pools of 4 athletes, each pool, obtained from 2 rounds of random draws as follows:

Round 1

The 4 registered athletes with the best position in the Event Ranking published for the event (4 seeded athletes) will occupy the 4th place in the pool 2, 4, 6 and 8.

Round 2

The rest of the athletes registered after the eight athletes corresponding to Round 1 will be drawn in a Round 2 in each of the groups, randomly, but without athletes of the same nationality coinciding whenever possible.

Once the draw is finalized and signed by the WKF supervisor, it will be put online to be accessible to the general public.

9 TECHNICAL MEETING

The local organizing director of the event must stage a technical meeting with the WKF Supervisor on the day preceding the first day of the tournament. In this meeting the organizing director shall present a detailed plan for the upcoming event, including a specific timetable and precise information on every single topic of this Premier League manual.

The host must provide at least two (2) interpreters in English for the tournament.

Throughout the tournament, the host must provide a service and information desk (in the headquarters hotel before the start of the tournament and in the sports venue during the tournament days) to deal with issues participating delegations might have. This must be a non-stop operation from 8.00 a.m. until 10.00 p.m.



10 SOFTWARE USAGE & TRAINING

To ensure a high-quality level of all WKF Karate 1 - Premier League events, the approved software must be used for all processes of event management, including during the event execution; online registration, accreditation, results, scoring and video review. Therefore, all competition areas must use the software and be connected with one central database (the installation of hardware and software is done by the software provider). This allows keeping the precise records of winners, points, Kata and results and the computing of repechage and pool winner lists to be done automatically.

Moreover, the software provides public views / screens for referees, coaches and visitors to easily monitor all activities.

Additionally, all activities during the event will be live on the Internet to allow online users to follow the event. Therefore, a dedicated high-speed Internet connection must be available to upload event information to the Internet during the event.

The host must provide at least two (2) software operators for each competition area. These operators must be able to communicate in the English language and read English documents and should also be aware of the WKF competition rules.

The software provider also provides training for operators. This training session must be held not later than the day before the start of the event. The duration of this session will be approximately 1 – 2 hours. An adequate room must be provided by the host for this training session.

11 MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING

11.1 Responsibilities of the Host Country Doctors

A minimum of one doctor per competition area is required for the duration of the Kumite events, plus adequately qualified first aid staff.

A standby ambulance for emergencies must be supplied and be available throughout the duration of the competition.

All the local doctors must be competent in at least one WKF official language (English or French).



11.2 Antidoping

If WKF decides to conduct AD tests in the event, a room with an adjoining toilet and communicating door shall be provided for Anti-Doping testing. The host must arrange the carrying out of doping controls in accordance with the WKF Anti-Doping Rules. The expenses for these controls must be met by the event host.

12 REFEREEING

The following Officials are entitled to officiate at Premier League events:

- Referees with WKF Kata Judge-A and/or Kumite Referee-A.
- Referee Commission members.
- Referees ranked within the top 30 of the WKF Referee Ranking on the opening date of registration for each event.

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

The WKF reserves its right to stop registration once the number of registered Referees with WKF License (that are not RC members nor within the top 30 Referee Ranking) has reached the number of: 75

Note: Number of Referees is 75 + 30 + RC.

If the NF Host anticipates that it cannot meet the above requirements, it shall take the necessary measures to ensure compliance.

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13 PROTOCOL

A person responsible for this task will be appointed by the WKF.

14 PRIZES

The following event prizes should be provided by the host:

14.1 Prizes per Categories

- First prize: Gold medal plus 1.000 €
- Second prize: Silver medal plus 500 €
- Third prizes: Two Bronze medals plus 250 € each



Therefore, the total sum of prize money per event to be paid by the host is 24.000 €.

The prize money must be paid in cash directly to the medalists immediately after the medal awarding ceremony. Any expenses which must be withheld by the host due to mandatory national (tax) regulations must be accepted by the prize winners without exception.

In addition, an accumulated prize money of € 5.000, will be paid by the WKF directly to the Grand Winners of each individual category.

Consistent with the Olympic values, the host will only provide high quality gold, silver and bronze medals. The medals will be inscribed with the WKF logo, Karate 1 -Premier League logo, Category, City and Country, date and final position. The LOC must send the medals' design to the WKF HQ for approval.

15 FOOD REQUIREMENTS

The host is not obliged to provide food for athletes. Any assistance provided in this respect is a courtesy.

The host is required to provide the WKF Team, working referees and doctors with a free meal every four (4) working hours and a continuous supply of free hot and cold drinks during the competition.

16 IMAGE & ADVERTISEMENT

All the TV, video, web casting, photography, Internet, etc. rights are the exclusive property of WKF.

Advertisement space and branding will be performed based on the agreement signed between WKF and host. The host must send the final designs to the WKF HQ for final approval.

17 COMMUNICATION

Effective, well managed communications are essential to the continued success of the Karate 1-Premier League. The WKF's objective is to engage with all target audiences on a local, national and international level in order to establish its properties more solidly and promote Karate globally.



The host will guarantee that adequate Media facilities and personnel are available for journalists covering the event on site. These Media requirements will be formed by at least:

17.1 Host OC Media Manager

The host OC must commit to designating an experienced Host Media Manager for the event, who will work in close cooperation with WKF Media Manager in the promotion of the event.

The duties are:

- Designing a comprehensive local Media Plan in accordance with WKF strategy to distribute the event at local level.
- Assisting the WKF Media Manager and WKF TV team before and during the event.
- Being prepared to oversee the accreditation process of local media.
- Ensuring that journalists on site find the best possible conditions to do their work.

17.2 TV Area

The local organizers will have to provide an area available for the WKF TV Broadcaster.

The hosts will also have to provide the WKF TV Broadcaster with the necessary means for the correct broadcasting of the event. These necessities will be communicated by the WKF TV Broadcaster to the host well in advance.

17.3 Press Tribune

Seating space with easy visual access to the competition area. The Press Tribune will be required to have capacity for at least 20 journalists with enough tables, plugs /, multi sockets and a dedicated high speed WIFI and cabled connection line.

17.4 Mixed-Zone

The Mixed-Zone is a small area located adjacent to the competition area with easy access of competitors from/to the tatamis, warm-up area and dressing rooms, and easy access of journalists from/to the Press tribune.

The Mixed- Zone will present an official backdrop approved by the WKF.

17.5 Photo Area

A specific area for photographers will be available and clearly indicated in the field of play for photographers to take images of the competition.



18 TICKETING

Ticketing may be exclusively provided by a dedicated online ticketing system. The cost for the ticket system is 7.5 % (without credit card expenses) of the ticket price. The distribution of the net revenues of the ticket sales will be for the organizer

The costs for the ticket system include the following services:

- A fully functional online ticket shop
- English language support
- Credit card payment functionality
- Print @ Home functionality
- Support of different price categories and prices
- Integration of online ticketing shop into online registration system

To meet individual needs, the ticketing system provides additional services such as:

- Customizing of online ticket shop layout
- Integration of individual venue seat plans for direct booking by seat numbers
- Usage of ticket system on-site (booking and printing)
- On-site training by a qualified ticketing-officer
- Access control solutions.

Additional services must be directly arranged between the host and ticketing system provider and are not included in system costs.

19 FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Any host which has been successful in bidding and has been awarded the right to host a WKF Karate 1 - Premier League event must pay a flat fee of € 50.000, per hosted event. This fee may be revised from time to time by the WKF.

After the adjudication of the event, the above-mentioned fixed fee must be paid in advance by December 15th of the preceding year to the WKF, strictly net without deduction of any expenses or transfer fees.

In the case of non-payment, the WKF will be free to withdraw the rights of the event in question and award them to another host.



The failing host will in any case remain liable to WKF for the payment of the whole fee. In the case where WKF withdraws the rights or when a host relinquishes its rights to host an event, the WKF Executive Committee, taking into account all of the relevant circumstances, may decide on the period of ineligibility for hosting a WKF Karate 1 event as well as its responsibility regarding any appropriate mitigation measures.

The host also shall pay the above-mentioned prize money directly to the medal winners.

The following costs must be covered by the host:

- WKF Supervisor - transportation from the origin to the destination, accommodation, meals and local transport during the event and a flat fee of € 200 per day (including travel days)
- WKF Chief Referee - transportation from the origin to the destination, accommodation, meals and local transport during the event and a flat fee of € 125 per day (including travel days)
- Software Supervisor - transportation from the origin to the destination, accommodation, meals and local transport during the event.
- 1 additional person designated by the WKF - accommodation and meals.

The entry fees belong to the organizers.

No other costs may be levied by the host on accredited people, which shall be provided with free admission to the events.

WKF is exclusively permitted to choose Karate 1 - Premier League sponsors and to conclude specific contracts with these potential partners. This includes general sponsorship for the whole tournament series. In this context, all tournament organizers must respect any contractual obligations that may be imposed on WKF (e.g., size and layout of logo-placements, trademarks, merchandising partners etc.)

The hosts are permitted to choose local event sponsors as long as they are not in conflict with Premier League sponsorship contracts and following the WKF – Host agreement conditions.

The rights to set up commercial stands shall become property of the host. The priority for this contract will be for the [WKF Approved Brands](#).



20 EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED BY THE HOST

20.1 General LOC Responsibilities

In order to properly fulfill their responsibilities, the Software provider team needs to be able to start the venue technical setup for Timing and Scoring on the morning (before 10:00 am) of the registration day.

This can only be done after the setup of tatamis, tables and power is completed by the LOC.

The equipment listed below, which must be arranged by the LOC also needs to be provided before that time.

A LOC representative must be present on standby or easily reachable during the venue setup so any issues that may arise can be resolved swiftly.

A LOC representative/technician must be present during the competition; this person is responsible for the screens and can resolve screen-related issues.

Task	Who is responsible	Comment	When this needs to be provided
Provided equipment as requested in this document	LOC	In case the equipment to be provided deviates from this specification, it needs to be confirmed with the Software provider	Requested equipment should be confirmed at latest 10 days before the start of the competition
Basic Configuration of laptops	LOC	All laptops need do have a standard configured Windows operation system in English language and should have the latest updates. Any 3rd party antivirus software or other non-standard windows software must be uninstalled. Any private data must be removed.	The day before the onsite accreditation session
HDMI cabling	LOC	Cables need to be tested and taped/covered securely	The day before the onsite accreditation session
Network cabling / internet	LOC	Cables need to be tested and taped/covered securely	The day before the onsite accreditation session



Power cabling	LOC	Cables need to be taped/covered securely	The day before the onsite accreditation session
LED screens setup, configuration and installation	LOC	Sound through HDMI splitter must be tested and additional speakers provided in case of problems	The day before the onsite accreditation session
Setup of registration and weigh-in rooms	LOC		The day before the onsite accreditation session
Removal of equipment	LOC	Staff need to be available at the end of the event to take over the responsibility for LOC equipment and to remove it.	End of event

20.2 General Software Provider Responsibilities

Task	Who is responsible	Comment	When this needs to be provided
Configuration of laptops, routers and tablets for T/S, VR and LS	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session
Setup of video review and live stream cameras	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session
Connect HDMI and network cables to laptops and routers, configure network and test it	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session
Install printers on the Software providers computers and on laptops provided on OVR table	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session
Configuration of video output on screens from the provided laptops	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session
cable management for T/S system and OVR	Software Provider		The day before the onsite accreditation session



20.3 Equipment for registration and accreditation

The host should provide the following materials and equipment for registration:

- One (1) A4 Photocopy machine (fast, professional type).
- Two (2) A4 colour laser printer equipped with a USB and network interface, with support of printing A6 formatted paper
- Additional toner colour cartridges
- Two (2) 3meters USB printer cable.
- Two (2) 5meters CAT 6 network cable
- An adequate number of A4 size paper 80 gr.
- A selection of office supplies e.g. pens, pencils, permanent markers, scissors, staple gun, perforators
- A secured high speed / broadband internet access. At least 20/20MBit dedicated for the Software Provider system – no open hotel WIFI.
- An adequate number of lanyards for the accreditation cards which will be communicated by the WKF the day after the online registration closes.
- Power sockets and extensions: at least 15 power sockets with adequate extensions

All this equipment will have to be transported from the registration area to the competition area (in the O.C. table) during the tournament.

20.4 Equipment for Weigh-In Rooms

The host should provide the following materials and equipment for the weigh-in:

- Power sockets and extensions per room: at least 3 power sockets with adequate extensions
- A secured high speed / broadband internet access per room. At least 20/20MBit dedicated for the Software Provider system – no open hotel WIFI.
- One (1) modern laptop (i7 generation 8 or higher, Dual Core 2.5GHz, SSD) with Windows 10, min. 16GB RAM, Wireless and Network Cable plug, with Mouse, 2x USB 3 Port, HDMI Port
- One (1) accurate electronic scale for the weighing.



20.5 Equipment for OVR TEC Table (Main Table)

- The host should provide the following materials and equipment for registration: One (1) A4 Photocopy machine (fast, professional type).
- Two (2) A4 colour laser printer equipped with a USB and network interface, with support of printing A6 formatted paper
- Additional toner cartridges
- Two (2) 3meters USB printer cable.
- Ten (10) 5meters CAT 6v network cable
- An adequate number of A4 size paper 80 gr.
- A selection of office supplies e.g. pens, pencils, permanent markers, scissors, staple gun, perforators
- A cabled and wireless secured high speed / broadband internet access.
At least 50/50MBit dedicated for the Software Provider system (exclusive Tatami internet connection for live stream).
- A cabled and wireless secured high speed / broadband internet access.
At least 20/20MBit dedicated (exclusive Tatami internet connection for the official scoring system).
- A cabled and wireless secured high speed / broadband internet access.
At least 20/20MBit dedicated (exclusive Tatami internet connection for the WKF Media).
- An adequate number of lanyards for the accreditation cards
- Power sockets and extensions: at least 20 power sockets with adequate extensions
- One (1) Gigabit Wireless Router (2.4/5Ghz) with WAN and 4x LAN ports (no Wireless Access Point, device needs to provide DHCP Server)
- Two (2) 8-port gigabit network switches
- Two (2) modern laptops (i7 generation 8 or higher, Dual Core 2.5GHz, SSD) with Windows 10, min. 16GB RAM, Wireless and Network Cable plug, with Mouse, 2x USB 3 Port, HDMI Port

20.6 Equipment for the FOP (Field of Play)

Each competition/tatami area must have the following minimum equipment:

- Power sockets, for at least fifteen (15) electronic devices on the timing/scoring table
- 3x Power sockets on each side of the FOP for VR cameras, converters and LED Screens
- Two (2) or six (6) 55 – 65 inch TV or Led Screens with HDMI input and speakers for elimination and twelve (12) 55-65 inch tv or Led Screens for finals. In the case of using Led Screens, they must meet the following requirements: 50hz frequency, minimum 80 mm height and the inclination must be 15.
- 3x 20meters HDMI cables, 3x 10meters HDMI cables, 3x 3meters HDMI cables, and 3x 2Port HDMI powered splitter for the LED screens



- 3x 4Port HDMI powered splitter for the Final (12 connected LED Screens)
- 3x USB external Graphic Card for HDMI Full HD
- Three (3) modern laptops (for T/S, VR, LS) (i7 generation 8 or higher, Dual Core 2.5GHz, SSD) with Windows 10, min. 16 GB Ram, Wireless and Network Cable plug, with Mouse, 2x USB 3 Port, HDMI Port
- 2x powered USB 3 Hub with at least 3 Ports
- One (1) Gigabit Wireless Router (2.4/5Ghz) with WAN and 4x LAN ports
- 8 Android tablets (7 or 10 inch, 2GB RAM or higher)
- 1 Cat 6 Network Cable from Timing/Scoring computer to the OVR TEC Table
- Four (4) 5meters CAT 6 network cable
- A cabled secured high speed / broadband internet access. At least 40/40MBit at Bronze/Finals Tatami dedicated for the Software Provider system (connection from the OVR Tec table can be used)

20.7 Equipment for the Warm-Up Screens, LED-Walls and other screens

Signal for the screens will be provided from the OVR Tec table via HDMI Full HD signal. The LOC is responsible for providing cabling from the Warm-Up area to the OVR Tec table in order to receive the HDMI signal and distribute it to the screens.

21 STAFF REQUIRED TO BE SUPPLIED BY THE HOST

In agreeing to host a WKF Karate 1 - Premier League event, the host also guarantees to supply the following:

- Sufficient staff male and female (at least ten (10) persons) to help managing the accreditation session and the weigh-in control.
- Software operators (two (2) per competition area, instructed as explained in Chapter 7)
- Sufficient trained timekeepers / scorekeepers to manage all areas for the entire event.
- Sufficient liaison officers to convey match results promptly to the controllers.
- Sufficient experienced controllers to provide for the full charting of the match in the English language.
- Sufficient stewards and security personnel to prevent the entry of unauthorized people and to provide an uncluttered arena.
- Sufficient stewards and security to control unauthorized filming at the event.
- Sufficient changing rooms and secure locker facilities for a minimum of 300 athletes, divided in female and male.
- Warm-up facilities for competing athletes.



- Waiting and relaxation room for off-duty Referees.

22 LIAISON

The operation of the Championships is the sole responsibility of the local host under the supervision of and direct subordination to the WKF Supervisor.

Four (4) months before the event the local host shall report to the WKF Supervisor. This report will at least address all the points above, Article by Article, as included in these rules.

23 INSURANCE

The host NF / Local Organising Committee (LOC) must ensure, at its own expense, the effective and appropriate insurance coverage for the Championships. Additionally, the host NF / LOC shall provide the WKF Headquarters with the documentation of the liability insurance policy for the event no later than one (1) month prior to its start.

23.1 Liability Insurance Cover

The [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee] is responsible for procuring and maintaining, at its expense, all the necessary insurance policies as required to comply with the laws of its country, to be applicable to its activities and with the requirements set forth below in respect of all risks associated with the planning, organizing, financing, and staging of the [championship/tournament].

Key insurance policies to be procured by the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee]: the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee] shall procure and maintain the insurance policies described in this section.

The list below is not exhaustive and the WKF reserves the right to require the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee] to procure and maintain other types of insurance policies depending upon the outcome of any risk assessment:

- Third party liability insurances
- Public or general liability: this policy shall be written on an “occurrence” basis, or on a “claims-made” basis and for a duration of minimum [...] after the end of the dissolution of the [championship/tournament] or more if it is required by the law. This policy must at least cover the following risks: bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, pure financial loss, advertising liability, premises and operations liability, pollution liability, contractual liability, and independent contractor operations. This insurance must also include cover for acts of terrorism.



- Product and completed operations liability: to cover claims arising in connection with the sale of products specifically bearing the WKF's emblem or other WKF's trademarks or products otherwise licensed or authorized by the WKF.
- Professional liability: to cover costs related to the defense and indemnification of claims in connection with actual or alleged negligent acts/omissions of the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee] in the planning, organizing and staging of the [championship/tournament]. This policy shall include Cyber Liability.
- Medical malpractice: to cover claims arising from the medical activities of all of the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee]'s medical workforce to the extent that such workforce is not already covered by other means (hospital insurance cover and/or by the host country's health system or provider).
- Medical treatment and repatriation insurance: to cover the medical expenses relating to all injuries and illnesses that require treatment before the accredited person is able to return home. This policy must include repatriation. However, if medical treatment is delivered at no cost by the government health service, medical insurance is not required. In such cases, repatriation has to be covered on a stand-alone basis.
- Property insurance: to cover damages to all property owned, leased or in the care, custody and control of the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee], or for which the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee] is contractually responsible, including subsequent financial loss of income.
- Construction of all risk insurance: to cover risks related to the [Hosting NF / Local Organizing Committee]'s responsibility for specific construction projects (including equipment and overlay).
- Personal accident including permanent disability: to provide compensation in the event of death or disability of accredited persons following an accident occurring in connection with their activities at the [championship/tournament] (including terrorism).
- Crime, fidelity and fraud: to cover the loss arising from theft and robbery of assets or fraud (crime).

This liability insurance should cover bodily injury, property damage and consequential loss, up to a minimum sum insured of € 750.000 (or equivalent in local currency).

WKF, its agents and servants, officers, or employees, shall be included in the policy as additional insured.



The host NF / LOC shall provide WKF HQ, one (1) month prior to the start of the Championships, with proof that the above-mentioned liability insurance policy is in place for the respective Championships.

Where such policies are not available, the host NF / LOC shall inform the WKF HQ who will then, if possible, arrange such cover and invoice the host NF.

23.2 Cancellation Insurance Cover

The host NF / LOC should take into consideration possible losses in connection with their costs, expenses, guarantees and other irrecoverable monetary commitments, resulting from cancellation, abandonment, or postponement of the event.

It is therefore recommended that the host NF / LOC take out adequate cancellation insurance cover.

23.3 Insurance of Delegations and Waiver

The Host National Federation (NF) and/or Local Organizing Committee (LOC) must formally notify all registered participants in Premier League events of the requirement to secure adequate insurance coverage. This coverage must include liability, personal accident, and repatriation insurance for all delegation members, including competitors participating in the championships. Furthermore, it will be mandatory for all participants—coaches, athletes, referees, and officials—to present a printed and duly signed waiver of liability form at the onsite accreditation as a condition for participation. The LOC will be responsible for the collection and safe custody of all submitted waivers.