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# WKF KARATE1 PREMIER LEAGUE ORGANIZING RULES

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## PREAMBLE

The WKF Karate1 Premier League (WPL) is the prime league event in the world of Karate. It is a series of world class Karate competitions recognized and supported by the World Karate Federation. Its aim is to bring together the best Karate competitors in the world in a series of open championships of unprecedented scale and quality. In addition to the World Championships, which are biennial events, the WPL provide a platform for staging world Karate events on a regular basis and thus enhances interest of the public and the media, both nationally and worldwide. The hosting countries get the chance to present themselves to a wide audience, while giving their athletes the opportunity of competing at the highest level. Also the top Karate athletes obtain an additional platform on which to compete, improve their skills, attract sponsors and create income.

While maintaining the individual character of each event, all WPL events have to meet certain standards in order to achieve the above-mentioned goals. Therefore it is necessary to follow these organizing rules.

## GENERAL OUTLINE

The WKF Karate1 Premier League consists of a maximum of 8 annual events.

The number of competitors is open. All members of WKF are admitted to participate. These members don't need the permission of their national federation to participate, but they must verify that they are members of their national federation, which is recognized by WKF. The optional WKF ID card can be purchased at the registration session of any Karate1 event.

The competition categories are identical to those of Senior World Championships except for Kumite team. The WKF competition Rules in force will be applied. Any variation has to be expressly authorized, event by event, by the WKF.

The medalists in every individual category receive prize money with minimums of € 500,-- (1st place), € 300,-- (2nd place), and € 100,-- (each of the two 3rd places). The medalists in every team category receive prize money with minimums of € 600,-- (1st place), € 400,-- (2nd place), and € 200,-- (each of the 2 3rd places).

Competitors of individual categories earn ranking points in every WKF Karate1 event according to the official WKF Karate1 ranking system.

The competitor of each individual category with the highest score at the end of the WKF Karate1 season (including Premier League and World Cup events) is called the Grand Winner and receives a prize money of € 1.000. Kata team events have no Grand Winner

## **1 APPLICATION, SITE AND DATE**

Applications for hosting a WKF Karate1 Premier League event must be addressed to the WKF HQ via the relevant national federation before the end of October of the year preceding the WKF Karate1 Premier League season. The WKF will make a decision concerning the application and inform the applicant of its decision by the end of November of the year preceding the WKF Karate1 Premier League season, at the latest.

Based on the decisions of the Executive Committee (EC), the WKF HQ will issue a final WKF Karate1 Premier League calendar by December 15th of the year preceding the WPL season. However, a preliminary WPL calendar shall be issued as soon as decisions about hosts of WPL events have been made.

A WKF Karate1 Premier League tournament should be hosted in a national capital city or in a city with comparable appeal and infrastructure.

The Karate1 season is one calendar year.

A WKF Karate1 Premier League tournament should have in principle a duration of two days. Any change to this must be approved by the WKF.

No later than two months before the date of the scheduled event the host must send out a bulletin with all relevant information to all WKF member countries. Therefore the WKF provided Karate1 template must be used.

## **2 COMPETITION VENUE**

### **2.1 Arena Dimensions**

The competition arena must be large enough to accommodate at least five (5) matted areas.

The total dimensions of the competition area must be at least 50 meters x 35 meters.

Each competition area measures 8 x 8 meters, and is surrounded by a further 2 meters wide safety area. Therefore, it is necessary to allow 12 x 12 meters per area.

The mats must be of a WKF approved type.

### **2.2 Spectator Seating**

The spectator seating capacity is at the discretion of the host National Federation (NF). However, there should be seating for at least 2,000 spectators. Ample seating must be reserved for VIPs, referees, coaches and competitors.

## 2.3 Stadium Rooms

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

- WARM-UP PRACTICE (KUMITE & KATA) (see Appendix 6)
- WEIGHING (MALE & FEMALE) (see Appendix 7)
- PRESS & MEDIA (see Appendix 8)
- MEDICAL & DOPING TESTING (see Appendix 9)
- CHANGING ROOMS (see Appendix 10)
- V.I.P. LOUNGE (see Appendix 11)

## 2.4 National Flag

The National flag of each participating country should be exhibited, together with the official WKF flag.

## 2.5 Podium

A winner's podium must be provided. The host must make proper arrangements for the presentation of prizes. No national anthems are to be played and no raising of national flags shall happen. During the presentation of prizes the anthem of WKF shall be played only.

## 2.6 Lighting conditions

The competition venue must provide appropriate lighting conditions to enable photographers to make high quality photos (preferably TV lighting).

# 3 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 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:

- WKF-SUPERVISOR
- WKF CHIEF REFEREE
- WKF Approved Software Provider
- REFEREES

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

In order to support the organization of the tournament the host may impose a surcharge of up to 100 % of the entry fee for participants who do not book their accommodation in one of the official hotels.

## **4 TRANSPORTATION**

The host is not responsible for any transportation of athletes, referees or delegations (neither airport nor competition venue shuttles).

Transportation must be provided for the WKF-Supervisor, the WKF appointed Chief Referee and the official WKF software support officers, as well as for the referees.

## **5 REGISTRATION**

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

The online registration period starts at 1:00 a.m. on January 1st of the actual WKF karate1-World Cup season until 11:59 p.m. of the Sunday one week before the event (= 6 days before the event). Therefore, each participating authorized club or National federation has to create a user account. This user account and all entered data can be reused for all other World Cup or Premier League events.

The host may request and obtain an event manager account for its online events. With this account it can access all online data and provide information to or easily contact participants. In case of problems or questions, users can directly contact the software provider.

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

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

This includes the following data:

- Name of participating club / team or federation
- Country of participating club / team or federation
- Name
- Date of birth
- Weight (only for competitors)



- Sex
- Nationality
- Photograph (size according to software specification)

Users are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data. Changes of online registration data by users are possible until the end of the online registration period. The online registration automatically closes at the end of the online registration period. If changes are required during the official registration session (see 5.3.) because of incorrect, missing or new registration data, a fee of € 20,- is charged for each change.

All participants must show their official passport for validation at the registration session.

The official registration session will take place the day preceding the first day of the event from 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.

At registration, 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. For details of accreditation, see Chapter 21.

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

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

For details on technical registration requirements, see Appendix 1.

## **6 TECHNICAL MEETING AND COMMUNICATION**

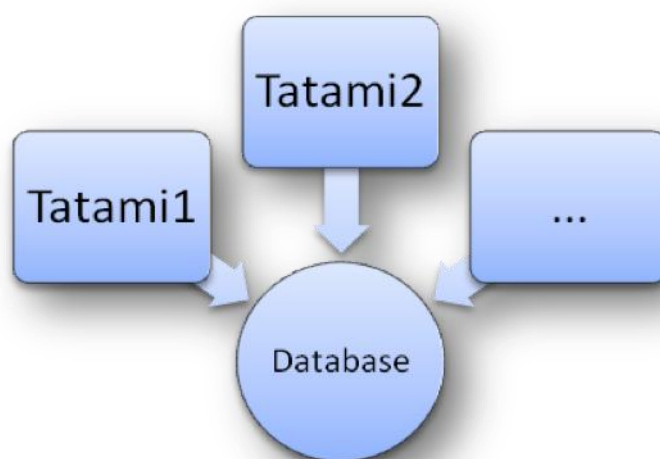
The organizing director of the event must stage a technical meeting with the WKF-Supervisor the day preceding the first day of the tournament. In this meeting the organizing director shall present a detailed plan of the upcoming event, including a specific time table and precise information on every 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.

## 7 SOFTWARE USAGE AND TRAINING

To ensure a high quality level of all WKF Karate1 Premier League events, the approved software must be used for all processes of event management, including online registration, accreditation and during event execution. 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 the keeping of precise records of winners, points, Kata and results electronically and the computing of repechage and pool winner lists automatically.



Picture 1: Connecting competition areas using software



Picture 2: Competition area using software

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

<b>Tatami 1</b> <b>Kumite Individual female Seniors -50</b> <div> <div>Pacull Karen</div> <div>Malavé Karate Do</div> <div>SWEDEN</div> </div> <div> <div>BENMGHAR MERIEM</div> <div>MOROCCO NATIONAL FEDERATION</div> <div>MOROCCO</div> </div> <b>0 : 2</b>	<b>Tatami 2</b> <b>Kumite Individual male Seniors -67</b> <div> <div>Kříž Ondřej</div> <div>Karate Club Dragons Rosice, o.s.</div> <div>CZECH REPUBLIC</div> </div> <div> <div>RAMIREZ GUILLERMO</div> <div>COLOMBIA</div> <div>COLOMBIA</div> </div> <b>2 : 3</b>
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Picture 3: Example of public activity view of four competition areas

Additionally, all activities during the event will be live on the Internet to allow online users to follow the event. Therefore a good Internet connection must be available to upload event information to the Internet during the event. For technical requirements of software usage on the competition area, see Appendix 4.

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 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. For technical requirements of software training, see Appendix 3.

## 8 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).

## 9 REFEREEING

A minimum of 60 % of the referees on each Tatami must possess a WKF or continental federation license. Should a host anticipate being unable to meet this requirement, this problem must be addressed in the original application documents. The EC will evaluate the situation and may come to a decision based on a special regulation.

## 10 THE DRAW

The draw will be conducted directly after the official registration via the software by the local software officer in the presence of the WKF-Supervisor or a person expressly appointed by the WKF Supervisor. Each completed master sheet must be signed by the WKF Supervisor or the appointed person.

The draw must use the random process provided by the software. This process is WKF approved and guarantees random placement of all participants, without separation of competitors from the same countries or teams. This is to express the character of Karate1, which is a tournament series for individual members of WKF and not of National Federations, clubs or teams, and to give all competitors equal chances. Therefore, there will be no seeding of athletes.

Entries for the draw will be those taken from the online registration database.

After the draw is finished and signed by the WKF Supervisor, copies for each participating Club / Federation shall be handed out.

## 11 PRIZES

The event prizes (medals, trophies and event prize money) are to be provided by the host.

In each individual category the first prize will be a gold medal, a trophy and at least € 500,--. The second prize will be a silver medal and at least € 300,--. The third prizes will be bronze medals and at least € 100,--.

All members of placed Kata teams (including the coach) should also receive a gold, silver or bronze medal plus one trophy for each gold medalist team. The prize money for teams is € 600,-- for 1st place, € 400,-- for 2nd place, and € 200,-- for 3rd place.

Therefore, the minimum total sum of prize money per event to be paid by the host is € 14.800,-- .

Consistent with the Olympic ideal, the host will only provide high quality gold, silver and bronze medals and trophies. The medals and trophies will be inscribed with the WKF-Premier League emblem.

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

The additional prize money for every Grand Winner of € 1.000,- per individual category will be paid by WKF at the final Karate1 event directly to the Grand Winners. The Grand Winner is obliged to participate in a certain number of Karate1 events per season. For being eligible for Grand Winner it will be not compulsory to participate in the last event of the year. The number of compulsory events will be published before the start of the new Karate1 season.

## **12 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 working referees, the doctors and the WKF-Supervisor with a free meal every four (4) working hours and a continuous supply of free hot and cold drinks during the competition .

## **13 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND MARKETING CONSIDERATIONS**

Any host which has been successful in bidding and having been awarded the right to host a WKF Karate1 Premier League event must pay a flat fee of € 16.000,- 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 Treasury Office, strictly net without deduction of any expenses or transfer fees.

In the case of nonpayment, 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, will decide on the period of ineligibility for hosting a WKF Karate1 Premier League 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 cost for the WKF Supervisor, including flight, accommodation, meals and transport plus a flat fee of € 140,-- per day for three days shall be paid by the host. This applies also to the software-supervisor (1 person) concerning his flight, his local transport, his accommodation and meals, but not the above-mentioned flat fee. For the WKF appointed Chief Referee and 1 person designated by the WKF accommodation and meals will be provided.

The entry fees for WKF Karate1 Premier League events are € 40,- per individual category entry and € 60,-- per Kata team category entry. The WKF may change this fee from year to year.

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

WKF is exclusively permitted to choose WKF Karate1 Premier League sponsors and to conclude specific contracts with them. This includes the 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 including the right to place additional advertisement in and around the competition venue as long as they are not in conflict with Premier League sponsorship contracts. A written copy of every sponsorship contract concluded by tournament organizers must be forwarded to WKF.

The money earned by WKF through Premier League sponsorship contracts shall be divided as follows: 70 % will remain with WKF, 30 % will be paid to the community of the tournament organizers, equally divided amongst them.

The money earned by tournament organizers through event sponsorship contracts shall be divided as follows: 70 % will remain with the specific tournament organizer, 30 % will be paid to WKF.

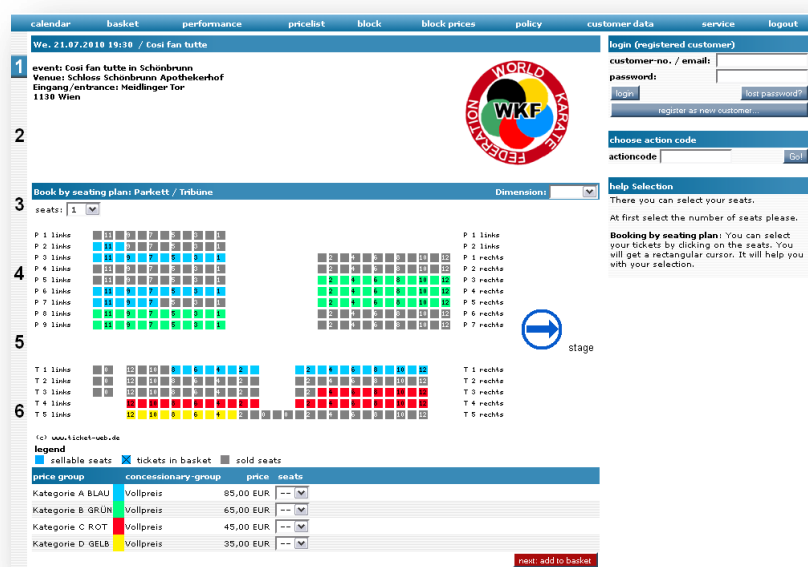
## 14 TICKETING

Ticketing will 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 80 % for the organizer and 20 % for WKF.

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



Picture 4: Example online ticketing shop

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. For more information about the ticketing provider, see Appendix 13.

## 15 SERVICES PROVIDED BY SOFTWARE PARTNER

To guarantee a high quality standard of software supported event management, the software provider provides the following services to the host:

- Online registration and event management services provided by online WKF Karate1 Premier League website (i.e., online registration, advertisement and promotion, communication, etc.)

- Integration of host PayPal account into online system for online payment of entry fees by credit card
- Online system for offering any other expenses and items, like merchandising articles or transfer services
- Software licenses for all software products provided by the software provider such as:
  - core system to manage registrations, draws, results and many other functions
  - scoreboard software
  - system for time schedules
  - generation of accreditation cards
  - views to show event activities and progress
  - live blog of all event activities live on Internet
- Online ranking system
- On-site training for local software operators by a certified software specialist
- Qualified on-site support by a certified software specialist during the whole event
- Providing of the required number of laptop computers for registration, accreditation, training and competition areas.
- Setting up of a local network to connect all competition areas.

For more information about the software partner, see Appendix 12.

## **16 IMAGE AND PUBLICITY**

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

All the publicity rights (competition area, official tables, participants, etc.) shall be the property of the host. However, the host shall respect any contractual obligations that may be imposed on WKF (e.g. size and layout of logo-placements, trademarks, merchandising partners etc.) as stated in Chapter 13.

## **17 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 a minimum address of all those points, Article by Article, included in these rules and affecting the requirements of the event.



## 18 MISCELLANEOUS

In agreeing to host a WKF Karate1 Premier League event, the host also guarantees to supply the following:

- a) Sufficient registration staff (at least eight (8) persons) to help managing the registration session
- b) Software operators (two (2) per competition area, instructed as explained in Chapter 7)
- c) Sufficient trained timekeepers / scorekeepers to manage all areas for the entire event.
- d) Sufficient liaison officers to convey match results promptly to the controllers.
- e) Sufficient experienced controllers to provide for the full charting of the match in the English language.
- f) Sufficient stewards and security personnel to prevent the entry of unauthorized persons and to provide an uncluttered arena.
- g) Sufficient secretarial staff and clerical officers to administer the registration and accreditation.
- h) Sufficient changing rooms and secure locker facilities for a minimum of 500 athletes, 200 of them female and separated from male.
- i) Warm-up facilities for competing athletes.
- j) Waiting and relaxation room for off-duty Referees.

If WKF decided 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 for the carrying out of doping controls in accordance with the National Anti-Doping Agency.

Only WKF approved and homologated protective equipment can be used at the WKF Karate1 Premier League event.

## 19 INSURANCE

The host is responsible at its own cost for effective and appropriate insurance for the event according to local law. In this context WKF must be discharged from any form of liability for damages or harm resulting from the event. The host therefore must indemnify and hold WKF harmless for any and all claims, and this indemnification must be confirmed, whether by the host's National Federation, by a law office or by a licensed insurance agency in written form.

### **19.1 Liability insurance coverage**

The host shall secure a general liability insurance policy for any claims arising out of the host's activities in its capacity as organizer of the event, towards participants in the championship and members of the public.

If, according to local law, WKF may be liable for any damages or harm resulting from the event, appropriate liability insurance coverage also for WKF is compulsory. In this case, the insurance must cover bodily injury, property damage and consequential loss, up to a minimum sum insured of € 500.000,-- (or equivalent in local currency). In addition the host must provide the WKF Supervisor, one month prior to the start of the event, with proof that the above-mentioned liability insurance policy is in effect for the respective event. Where such policies are not available, the host shall inform the WKF Supervisor who will then, if necessary, arrange for such coverage and invoice the host.

If, according to local law, WKF may be under no circumstances liable for any damages or harm resulting from the event, the host must provide the WKF Supervisor, one month prior to the start of the event, with an appropriate written confirmation of this legal status by the host's National Federation, a licensed insurance agency, or a law office.

### **19.2 Cancellation insurance coverage**

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

It is therefore recommended that the host take out adequate cancellation insurance coverage. The above-mentioned indemnification clause and compulsory insurance clause also applies to the cancellation insurance.

### **19.3 Insurance of delegations**

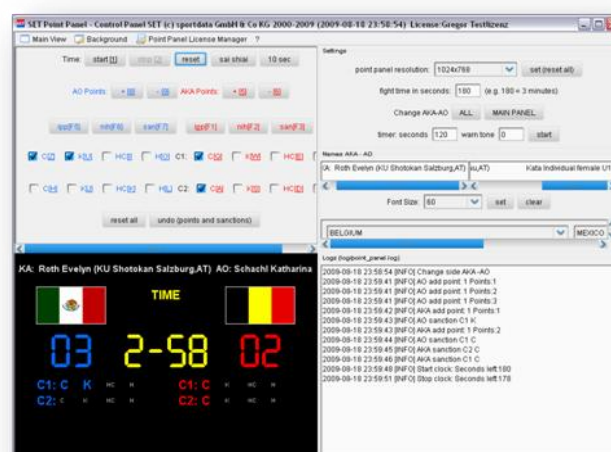
The host shall inform the delegations participating in the event (via the bulletins) that they require proper liability, personal accidents and repatriation insurance coverage for all members of the delegation, including all athletes participating in the event.

## **20 SCORE BOARDS AND COUNTDOWN CLOCKS**

Each of the match areas must be furnished with a scoreboard and countdown clock. For technical competition area equipment, see Appendix 4.



Picture 5: Software scoreboard



Picture 6: Scoreboard control panel

## 21 ACCREDITATION CARDS

Generation of accreditation cards for competitors, coaches, referees, officials (including VIP) and media representatives is done by the software, including an official layout template for accreditation cards. This layout must be used for all WKF Karate1 Premier League events.

Accreditation cards shall be printed and handed out at registration.

Accreditation cards must be worn at all times during the event.

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

Only competitors authenticated by accreditation cards are allowed to participate.

# APPENDICES

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## APPENDIX 1 – EQUIPMENT FOR REGISTRATION

A detailed description of the needed equipment is available in the enclosed document “Karate1\_Technical\_Requirements.pdf”, section “Equipment for registration”.

## APPENDIX 2 – EQUIPMENT FOR ACCREDITATION

A detailed description of the needed equipment is available in the enclosed document “Karate1\_Technical\_Requirements.pdf”, section “Equipment for accreditation”.

## APPENDIX 3 – SOFTWARE TRAINING EQUIPMENT

A detailed description of the needed equipment is available in the enclosed document “Karate1\_Technical\_Requirements.pdf”, section “Software training equipment”.



Picture 7: Example of prepared equipment for software training

## APPENDIX 4 – COMPETITION AREA EQUIPMENT

Each match area must have the following minimum equipment:

- Two (2) large tables and 8 chairs
- Adequate writing material

- 1 small table, 1 chair, 1 buzzer, and 1 red flag or indicator, for use by the Arbitrator
- 5 blue and 5 red flags for judges
- At least one spare pair of red and blue flags.

A detailed description of the additional needed technical equipment is available in the enclosed document “Karate1\_Technical\_Requirements.pdf”, section “Equipment for the competition area” and “Option technical equipment for competition area”.



Picture 8: Example of LCD monitor showing software scoreboard

## APPENDIX 5 – OTHER EQUIPMENT

There should be one (1) extra table and two (2) chairs for the WKF Supervisor and the software-officer, next to the Organizing Committee tables. Power supply for six (6) connections must be provided, together with the following items:

- One (1) A4 photocopy machine (photocopy machine from registration can be used).
- One (1) A4 laser printer (laser printer from registration can be used).
- One (1) high speed Internet access with username and password to synchronize live event data with Internet

## APPENDIX 6 – WARM-UP FACILITIES

A room with enough free floor space for a minimum of two competition areas for competitors to practice inside the Stadium must be provided. There must be a communication system between this room and the competition area.

## **APPENDIX 7 – WEIGHING**

A large room with a separated smaller area and ample entrance and exit must be provided. The larger space will be used for disrobing and the smaller area for the actual weighing.

Two (2) accurate scales will be required. Weighing of women will be performed separately from men.

## **APPENDIX 8 – PRESS & MEDIA**

A large, quiet room with six (6) work stations providing high-speed-WLAN-Internet access and one (1) USB-connectible printer shall be provided.

## **APPENDIX 9 – MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING TESTING**

This room must have washing facilities and a clean water supply. The host must ensure that this room is fully equipped according to the WKF Anti-Doping Rules.

## **APPENDIX 10 – CHANGING ROOMS**

There should be large changing rooms with showers, separated for male and female.

## **APPENDIX 11 – VIP LOUNGE**

It must be a lounge-type room of comfortable and spacious proportions, with snacks and refreshment facilities.

## **APPENDIX 12 – REGARDING THE WKF APPROVED SOFTWARE PARTNER**

Since 2000 sportdata provides powerful and flexible software solutions for professional event management, especially for Karate tournaments and events. The aim is to increase the quality level of events, the satisfaction of the participants and the attractiveness of the event to the public.

SET (Sportdata event technology) software from Sportdata was developed in cooperation with experienced Karate federations, such as the Austrian, German and Swiss Karate Federation, and with qualified technology partners. Since 2009 SET is officially approved and supported by WKF. Together with WKF, Sportdata continuously improves and extends

functionality. In 2012 SET was used in more than 120 countries and federations. More than 500 events every year successfully use SET software.

## **APPENDIX 13 – REGARDING THE TICKETING PARTNER**

The WKF Karate1 Premier League ticketing partner is an experienced provider of successfully tested Internet-based system solutions for the online sale of admission tickets, which can be booked from all over the world. No investments are necessary for the use of the ticket system. This makes it easy for the host to provide ticket sales without difficulty. The only requirements are a computer with Internet access and a printer. The sophisticated online ticket booking system takes care of all business transactions without complications. It gives the host full access to its events. This access

- is available immediately and without restrictions
- is standardized and thus uncomplicated and maintenance-free
- is cost-effective and efficient
- is independent from location restraints
- gives access to real time reports of tickets sales and sales statistics

As stated in Chapter 14, the cost of the ticketing is 7,5 % of the ticket price, without credit card expenses. This cost includes the setup and configuration of the mentioned access for the host and a fully functional multilingual online ticket shop for selling event tickets. This online shop supports

- electronic payment via credit card
- Print @ Home tickets with option to use bar codes on event tickets
- the setup of different price categories and ticket prices
- clear display of the tiers/blocks with the latest seat availability
- protected access and common security mechanism
- order personalization by registration of the address and consecutive numbering

To fit individual needs, the ticketing partner provides additional customizable services, such as

- customizing of your online ticket shop layout (e.g. sponsor logos)
- integration of the online shop into your website (frame solution)
- integration of individual venue seat plans for direct booking of single seats and interactive selection in the seating plan
- on-site ticket sales by usage of on-site ticket system (booking and printing), including on-site training by a qualified ticketing-officer
- access control solutions
- customize able sales report, statistics and exports

Additional services are not included in ticket system costs.

For set up and configuration of the ticketing system for WKF Karate1 Premier League events the host must provide the ticketing partner with all necessary information for ticketing (ticket prices, price categories, seat plan, etc.).

## **APPENDIX 14 - APPLICATION FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF WKF KARATE1 PREMIER LEAGUE EVENTS**

As stated in Chapter 1, hosts wishing to organize a WKF Karate1 Premier League event need to send a letter of application via their National Federation to the WKF HQ before the 31<sup>st</sup> of August of the preceding year. This letter must contain all relevant information concerning the tournament (date, city, sports venue, head quarters hotel) and the express written acceptance of the WKF Karate1 Premier League Organizing Rules.

## **APPENDIX 15 – WKF RANKING CRITERIA**

### ***Basics***

- Ranking will only apply to categories that exist in the official WKF events.
- Ranking points will always round up or down to a maximum of 2 decimal numbers.
- Ranking decay (4 Year Cycle): Each Year (from the day the competitor received the ranking points of an event) a deduction applies to the ranking points equal to 25%
- Ranking will be applied only to categories with a minimum of seven (7) Competitors

### ***Ranked Championships Evaluation***

- Championships are evaluation based on the following facts:
  - Number of competitors (total)
  - Number of competitors participated outside the host country
  - Number of Continental/World Level Judges and Referees
- An event may also be removed from the ranking status by the WKF if none of the WKF level requirements are met.



### ***Ranking Points Base Values***

- 1st place: 70 points
- 2nd place: 50 points
- 3rd place: 30 points
- 5th place: 20 points
- Fight Won: 8 points / per bout won
- Participation: 4 points
- *in the case of a draw with 3rd and 4th place instead of repechage 30 points will be awarded to both these places*

### ***Ranked Championship Values (Event Factor)***

The base values will be multiplied with the Event Factor to have the following final ranking points:

- 1-2 WKF Accredited Competition
- 2-3 Karate1 World Cup / Karate1 Youth Cup
- 3-4 Karate1 Premier League
- 4-6 Continental Senior Championships
- 6-7 Invitational Events (World Games, Combat Games, Continental Games, Med. Games)
- 12 WKF World Championships

### ***Karate 1 - Premier League additional rules***

- The Karate1 ranking starts new by the first event of a Karate1 season.
- In the end of the season, for each category, the competitor with the highest ranking score will be the grand winner of this category.
- Grand winners (Karate1 champions) at the end of the WKF Karate1 season receive extra prize money.
- The results of each Karate1 event will also influence the official continuous WKF Ranking List according to the ranking rules
- The points gained per Championship will be the same as the WKF official ranking
- The Ranked Championship Values in Karate 1 will be 3-4 evaluated the same way as with the WKF Ranking