

# 3rd Bulletin



International Karate-do  
Goju-Kai Association (I.K.G.A.)



Japan Karate-do  
Goju-Kai Association (J.K.G.A.)

## The 8th Karate-do Goju-kai Global Championships Japan 2025

Unity by Friendship, Appreciation and Peace.





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### **•Notes**

We have decided to prohibit the uploading of Global Championships news to SNS/Facebook.  
The latest information will be posted on the Gojukai official website, so please check the website.

I.K.G.A Official website

<https://gojukaikaratedo.com/>



# 1. Dates & Timetables

Date: Thursday, August 7 - Monday, August 11, 2025

Date	Time	Championship Venue at Chiba Port Arena	Time	Championship HQ (Hotel)
06 August 2025			10:00~ 16:00	Group reception registration
Wednesday			16:00~	IKGA Congress
The day before			19:00~	Official Reception
07 August 2025	8:30	Venue Setup		
Thursday Day1	15:00~	6/7 8/9 10/11 Boys and Girls Kata ①~⑥ 1st and 2nd Round (Japanese contestants only)	~13:00	Team Registration
		6/7 8/9 10/11 Boys and Girls Kumite 1~16 1st and 2nd Round (Japanese contestants only)	17:00~ 19:00	Referee & Coach Meeting
				Weigh-In for Athletes from Each Country
08 August 2025	9:00~	Opening Ceremony		
Friday	9:30~	6/7 8/9 10/11 Boys and Girls Kata ①~⑥		
Day2		12/13 Boys and Girls kata⑦、⑧ Cadet Male and Female Kata⑨、⑩		
	13:00	Ceremony & Attraction		
	14:00~	6/7 8/9 10/11 Boys and Girls Kumite 1~ 9		
		6/7 8/9 1/10/11 Boys and Girls Kumite10~16		



		12/13 Boys and Girls Kumite 17 ~ 25		
		Cadet Male and Female Kumite 26 ~ 34		
09 August 2025	9:00~	Junior Male and Female Kata⑪、⑫		
Saturday		U21 Male and Female Kata⑬、⑭		
Day3		Veteran Male and Female Kata ⑰ ~ ⑳		
		Shihan Male and Female Kata㉑ ~ ㉒		
	14:30~	Junior Male and Female Kumite 35 ~ 44		
		U21 Male and Female Kumite 45 ~ 49 / 50 ~ 54		
		Veteran Male and Female Kumite 67 ~ 70		
10 August 2025	9:00~	Senior Male and Female Kata ⑮~⑱		
Sunday		Team Kata Female 1~6		
Day4		Team Kata Male 7~12		
		Senior Male and Female Kumite 55 ~ 66		
		Jiyu Kumite Male -80kg age +18		
		Jiyu Kumite Male +80kg age +18		
		Jiyu Kumite Female -60kg age +18		
		Jiyu Kumite Female +60kg age +18		
	15:00~	Kata Bunkai Kumite 1・2・5・6		
		Kata Bunkai Kumite 3・4 / 7・8		
		Team Kumite Male & Female 1・2		
	18:00~	Closing Ceremony		
		Venue Dismantling		



11 August 2025	10:00	Joint JKGA-IKGA Seminar		
Monday (National Holiday)	13:00~	IKGA Examination		
Final Day			18:00~	Farewell Party

\*The schedule is subject to change.



## 2. Schedule Details

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Host Hotel IKGA Group Reception, IKGA Conference, Official Reception

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Day 1 Venue setup and partial category qualifying (JKGA only)

Main Hotel IKGA Group Reception, Referee & Coach Meeting

Friday, August 8, 2025

Day 2 Opening Ceremony, Ceremonies, Competitions, Attractions

Saturday, August 9, 2025

Day 3 Competitions

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Day 4 Competition and Withdrawal

Monday, August 11, 2025

Day 5: JKGA-IKGA Joint Seminar, IKGA Review Meeting

Host Hotel Farewell Party



### 3. Venue

Chiba Port Arena



Address 1-20, Tonyacho, Chuo-ku, Chiba, Japan

#### Train

A 15-minute walk from JR Keiyo Line Chiba-minato Station, 16 minutes on foot from JR Chiba Station  
• A 12-minute walk from Keisei Chiba Chuo Station, An 8-minute walk from Chiba Monorail City Office Front Station

#### BUS

Take the Kominato Railway Chiba Minato Loop Bus from Platform 26 at the West Exit of JR Chiba Station and get off at “Port Arena” stop on the Machinaka Course

Take the Chiba Kaihin Kotsu bus from Platform 11 at JR Chiba Station East Exit. Look for a bus going to Yukicho Danchi, Inagekaigan Station, or Kaihin Hospital. Get off at “Port Arena” .



## 4. Competition

※The regulations will generally follow those of the 2017 Canada Karate Championships, with some weight class specifications adjusted to meet the 2024 WKF standards.

Kata	Kumite		
6/7 Girls - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Seinchin	①	6/7 Girls - Kumite -22kg	1
		6/7 Girls - Kumite +22kg	2
6/7 Boys - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Seinchin	②	6/7 Boys - Kumite -24kg	3
		6/7 Boys - Kumite +24kg	4
8/9 Girls - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Seinchin	③	8/9 Girls - Kumite -30kg	5
		8/9 Girls - Kumite +30kg	6
8/9 Boys - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Seinchin	④	8/9 Boys - Kumite -27kg	7
		8/9 Boys - Kumite -32kg	8
		8/9 Boys - Kumite +32kg	9
10/11 Girls - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Sanseiru	⑤	10/11 Girls - Kumite -32kg	10
		10/11 Girls - Kumite -40kg	11
		10/11 Girls - Kumite +40kg	12
10/11 Boys - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Sanseiru	⑥	10/11 Boys - Kumite -34kg	13
		10/11 Boys - Kumite -40kg	14
		10/11 Boys - Kumite -47kg	15
		10/11 Boys - Kumite +47kg	16
12/13 Girls - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Sanseiru	⑦	12/13 Girls - Kumite -42kg	17
		12/13 Girls - Kumite -47kg	18
		12/13 Girls - Kumite -52kg	19
		12/13 Girls - Kumite +52kg	20
12/13 Boys - Kata Note - 2 kata needed - Highest Sanseiru	⑧	12/13 Boys - Kumite -40kg	21
		12/13 Boys - Kumite -45kg	22
		12/13 Boys - Kumite -50kg	23
		12/13 Boys - Kumite -55kg	24
		12/13 Boys - Kumite +55kg	25
14/15 Female - (Cadet) Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Seipai	⑨	14/15 Female - Kumite -47kg	26
		14/15 Female - Kumite -54kg	27
		14/15 Female - Kumite -61kg	28
		14/15 Female - Kumite +61kg	29
14/15 Male - (Cadet) Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Seipai	⑩	14/15 Male - Kumite -52kg	30
		14/15 Male - Kumite -57kg	31
		14/15 Male - Kumite -63kg	32
		14/15 Male - Kumite -70kg	33
		14/15 Male - Kumite +70kg	34
16/17 Female - (Junior) Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Kurarufa	⑪	16/17 Female - Kumite -48kgs	35
		16/17 Female - Kumite -53kgs	36
		16/17 Female - Kumite -59kgs	37
		16/17 Female - Kumite -66kgs	38
		16/17 Female - Kumite +66kgs	39





16/17 Male - (Junior) Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Kurarufa		16/17 Male - Kumite -55kgs	40
		16/17 Male - Kumite -61kgs	41
	⑫	16/17 Male - Kumite -68kgs	42
		16/17 Male - Kumite -76kgs	43
		16/17 Male - Kumite +76kgs	44
U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi		U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -50kgs	45
		U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -55kgs	46
	⑬	U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -61kgs	47
		U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -68kgs	48
		U21 Female (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite +68kgs	49
U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi		U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -60kgs	50
		U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -67kgs	51
	⑭	U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -75kgs	52
		U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite -84kgs	53
		U21 Male (18-20 yrs old) - Kumite +84kgs	54
Senior Female (16 yrs old & above) - Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi		Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -50kgs	55
		Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -55kgs	56
	⑮	Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -61kgs	57
		Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -68kgs	58
		Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite +68kgs	59
		Senior Female (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite Open	60
Senior Male (16 yrs old & above) - Kata Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi		Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -60kgs	61
		Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -67kgs	62
	⑯	Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) -75kgs	63
		Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite -84kgs	64
		Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite +84kgs	65
		Senior Male (18 yrs old & above) - Kumite Open	66
Female Veteran - Kata (40-49 years) Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi	⑰	Female Veteran - kumite (40-49 yrs old) -60kg	67
		Female Veteran - kumite (40-49 yrs old) +60kg	68
Male Veteran - kata (40-49 years) Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi	⑱	Male Veteran - kumite (40-49 yrs old) -80kg	69
		Male Veteran - kumite (40-49 yrs old) +80kg	70
Female Veteran - Kata (50 years & up) Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi	⑲	Female Veteran - kumite (50 yrs old & above) -60kg	71
		Female Veteran - kumite (50 yrs old & above) +60kg	72
Male Veteran - Kata (50 years & up) Note - 3 kata needed - Highest Superimpi	⑳	Male Veteran - kumite (50 yrs old & above) -80kgs	73
		Male Veteran - kumite (50 yrs old & above) +80kg	74
Shihan Mele - Kata Note - Genkaku.Chikaku can be done	㉑		
Shihan Female - Kata Note - Genkaku.Chikaku can be done	㉒		



Team Kata		Team Kumite	
Team Kata 6-9 yrs old Girls	1	Male - 16 yrs old & above (5 contestants + 3 reserves)	1
Team Kata 10-13 Girls	2		
Team Kata 14/15 Feame (Cadet)	3	Female - 16 yrs old & above (3 contestants + 2 reserves)	2
Team Kata 16/17 Female (Junior)	4		
Team Kata U21 Female (18-20 yrs old)	5		
Team Kata Senior Female (16 yrs old & above)	6	<b>Bunkai</b>	
		Cadet 14/15 Male - Bunkai	1
Team Kata 6-9 yrs old Boys	7	Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Sanseiru	
Team Kata 10-13 Boys	8	Junior 16/17 Male - Bunkai	2
Team Kata 14/15 Male (Cadet)	9	Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seisan	
Team Kata 16/17 Male (Junior)	10	U21 Male - Bunkai	3
Team Kata U21 Male (18-20 yrs old)	11	Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seipai	
Team Kata Senior Male (16 yrs old & above)	12	Senior 16 & above Male - Bunkai	4
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Superimpi	
		Cadet 14/15 Female - Bunkai	5
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Sanseiru	
		Junior 16/17 Female - Bunkai	6
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seisan	
		U21 Female - Bunkai	7
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seipai	
		Senior 16 & above Female - Bunkai	8
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Superimpi	
<b>JYUKUMITE</b>			
Jiyu Kumite Male -80kgs (age +18 Dan rank holder)	1	Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Sanseiru	
Jiyu Kumite Male +80kgs (age +18 Dan rank holder)	2	Junior 16/17 Female - Bunkai	6
Jiyu Kumite Female -60kgs (age +18 Dan rank holder)	3	Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seisan	
Jiyu Kumite Female +60kgs (age +18 Dan rank holder)	4	U21 Female - Bunkai	7
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Seipai	
		Senior 16 & above Female - Bunkai	8
		Note - 2 Bunkai needed - Highest Superimpi	

## Special Rules and ammendments

### General

1. Only Registered IKGA members may take part
2. Only Gojukai kata and Official Bunkai may be performed
3. A competitors age is determined by the competitors age as of August 7, 2025
4. All individual categories unlimited entries
5. Individual events need minimum of 5 contestants from 3 different contries to constitute a division  
If the requirement is not met, the category will be integrated into the higher (heavier) class (category)
6. For male and female Masters divisions kata and kumite, we will merge divisions if less than 5 competitors



## Medals

1. Two bronze medals will be awarded for all categories with 8 or more competitors
2. If less than 8 competitors athletes who lost to the silver and gold medalist will fight for one bronze

## Team Events

1. A member 16 years and older may compete in any team event but ONLY one team event - they must choose
2. A maximum of two (2) teams per country is allowed to enter for Team Kata and Kata Bunkai Kumite in all categories [U14 (6-9 yrs old, 10-13 yrs old), Cadet (14-15 yrs old), Junior (16-17 yrs old), U21 (18-20 yrs old) and Senior (16 yrs old & above)].
3. Only one (1) team per country is allowed to enter for Team Kumite [Senior (16 yrs old & above)].
3. Team events need a minimum of 4 teams from 3 different countries to constitute a division
4. In Team Kata, NO bunkai is required
5. No mixing of male and female in any team event

※Categories are subject to change.



## 5. Nearby Hotels

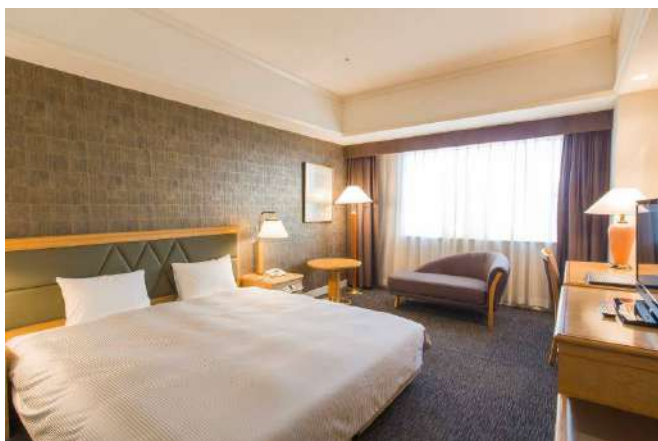
We are pleased to provide information regarding both the host hotels and the secondary accommodations located in the vicinity of the competition venue. Reservations for these accommodations should be made individually or through your respective national federations. Please note that transportation to the competition venue, Chiba Port Arena, is not included in the provided services. Consequently, attendees are kindly requested to arrange their own transportation. Accommodation rates may fluctuate depending on the booking period. For the most up-to-date pricing information, please refer to the detailed web pages of each hotel.

### •host hotels The QUBE Hotel Chiba

The QUBE Hotel Chiba is located within the Chiba Port Arena complex and will be used for athlete registration, weight-ins, and referee/coach meetings. Please make your reservations directly with the hotel by phone (English-speaking staff available). For detailed information on rate, please contact the hotel directly.



Location	1-45 Tonyacho, Chuo-ku, Chiba-shi, Chiba Prefecture, Chiba Port Square
Inquiries	TEL: 043-246-1887 FAX: 043-246-1889
Access	13-minute walk from Chiba-minato Station on the JR Keiyo Line / 7 minute walk from City Office Front Station on the Chiba Urban Monorail / 15-minute walk from JR Chiba Station
Website	<a href="http://thequbehotelchiba.com/">http://thequbehotelchiba.com/</a>





Secondary Hotel ・Area Chibaminato Station

## Toyoko INN Chiba Minato Ekimae (in front of Chiba-minato Station)

The competition venue, Chiba Port Arena, is approximately a 20-minute walk from the hotel. Alternatively, the venue can be reached within 13 minutes by combination of train and foot. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel. Please be advised that room rates may fluctuate depending on the time of year. For the most current rates, kindly refer to the following web site.



Location	1-23-1, Chuominato, Chuo-kku, Chiba-shi, Chiba
Inquiry	TEL: 043-301-1045 FAX: 043-301-1046
Access	1-minute walk from Chiba-minato Station (JR, Monorail) Approx. 1 hour from Narita Airport by train Approx. 1 hour from Haneda Airport by bus and train Approx. 40 minutes from Tokyo Station by train
Website	<a href="http://www.toyoko-inn.com">http://www.toyoko-inn.com</a>





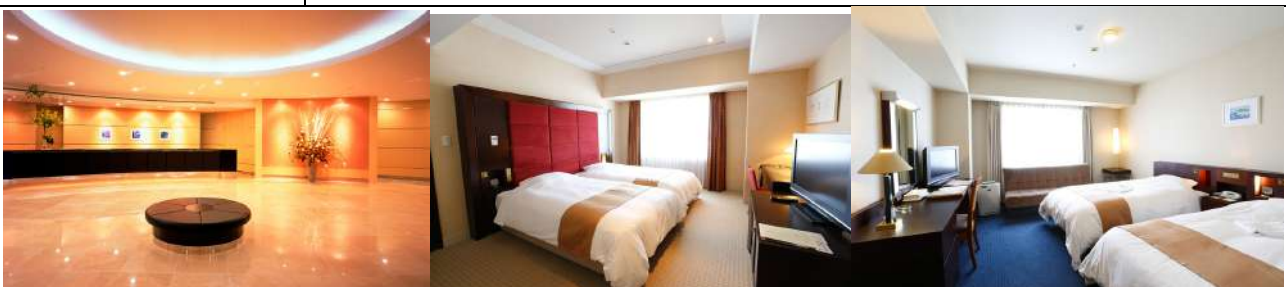
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## Keisei Hotel Miramare

The ompetition venue, Chiba Port Arena, is approximatel a 14-minute walk from the hotel. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel. Please be advised that room rates may fluctuate depending on the time of year. For the most current rates, kindly refer to the following website.



Location	15-1, Honchibacho. Chuo-ku, Ciba-shi, Chiba
inquiry	TEL: 043-222-2111 FAX: 043-222-3510 E-mail : <a href="mailto:stay@miramare.co.jp">stay@miramare.co.jp</a>
Access	<p>Directory connected to Chiba Chuo Station on the Keisei Line. An 8-minute walk from JR Chiba Station.</p> <p>Access time from major transportation hubs:</p> <p>Narita Airport: 75 minutes by limousine bus to Chiba Chuo Station, or 45 minutes by JR Narita Line rapid service. Change to the Keisei Line at Chiba Station or walk.</p> <p>Haneda Airport: 70-100 minutes by limousine bus to Chiba Chuo Station.</p> <p>Tokyo Station: 38 minutes by JR Sobu Rapid Line. Change to the Keisei Line at Chiba Station or walk to Chiba Chuo Station</p>
Website	<a href="http://www.miramare.co.jp">http://www.miramare.co.jp</a>





Secondary Hotel ・Area Chiba Chuo Station

## Hotel Shuranza CHIBA

The competition Venue, Chiba Port Arena, is approximately an 11-minute walk from the hotel. Please be advised that J.K.G.A. does not provide transportation for this event. Guests are requested to make their own travel arrangements. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel. Kindly note that room rates may fluctuate depending on the time of year. For the most current rates, please refer to the following website.



Location	2-6-18, Shinjuku, Chuo-ku, Chiba-shi, Chiba
Inquiry	TEL : 043-216-2201 FAX : 043-216-2223 E-MAIL : <a href="mailto:info@hotelshuranza-chiba.jp">info@hotelshuranza-chiba.jp</a>
Access	2-minute walk from Chiba Chuo Station and a 10-minute walk JR Chiba Station.
Website	<a href="https://hotelshuranza-chiba.jp/">https://hotelshuranza-chiba.jp/</a>







Secondary Hotel ・Area Chiba Station

## Daiwaronet Hotel Chiba Ekimae

It takes approximately 19 minutes to reach the competition venue (Chiba Port Arena) by train and on foot from the hotel. Please make a reservation directly with the hotel. Rates vary depending on the season, so please check the following website for details.



Location	1-1-14, Fujimi, Chuo-ku, Chiba-shi, Chiba
Inquiry	TEL:043-202-4755 FAX:043-202-4756
Access	A 3-minute walk from the East Exit of JR Chiba Station, a 3-minute walk from the central Exit of Chiba Urban Monorail Chiba Station, and a 5-minute walk from the West Exit of Keisei Chiba Station
Website	<a href="https://www.daiwaroynet.jp/chibaekimae/">https://www.daiwaroynet.jp/chibaekimae/</a>





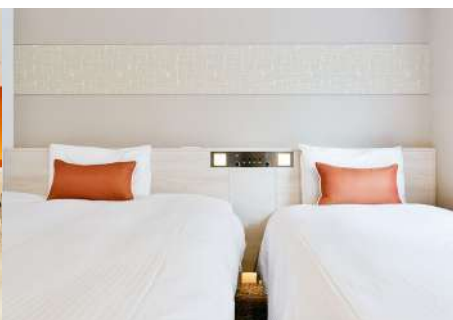
Secondary Hotel ・Area Chiba Station

## Vessel Inn Chiba

It takes approximately 18 minutes to reach the competition venue (Chiba Port Arena) by train and on foot from the hotel. Please make a reservation directly with the hotel. Rates vary depending on the season, so please check the following website for details.



Location	1-12-3, Fujimi, Chuo-ku, Chiba-shi, Chiba
Inquiry	TEL:043-306-1181 FAX:043-306-1182
Access	4-minute walk from the East Exit of JR Chiba
Website	<a href="https://www.vessel-hotel.jp/inn/chiba/">https://www.vessel-hotel.jp/inn/chiba/</a>





## 6. Miscellaneous

### Mascot Character Introduction

#### “Reinya”

Introducing the mascot character.

Reinya, a white cat karateka who loves Goju-ryu karate, values the fundamentals and principles of karate. Her specialties include paw block and cat stance!



Gogen Yamaguchi Shihan who teaches Nekoashidachi

#### •Mascot Character Concept:

In preparation for “The 8th Karate-do Goju-Kai Global Championship Japan 2025,” it was decided to base the mascot character on a cat. This decision stemmed from the fact that the founder, Master Gogen Yamaguchi, was often referred to as “The Cat” due to his agility reminiscent of a feline. Hence, the mascot character was determined to be a cat.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or need further information.

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New

## 7. Participation Fees

### ● Individual Events

(Kata, Kumite) . . . . . 1 event USD120

※if participating in two or more events, the fee is \$55 per event

### ● Team Events

(kata, kumite) . . . . . 1 event USD230    ·    2 events USD340

● Katabunkaikumite . . .    USD175

### ● SAYONARA Party:

USD55 for ages 13 and over,

USD35 for ages 5 to 12,

free for children under 4 years old

● IKGA · JKGA Technical Seminer . . . . . USD50

● Admission to supporters, etc.: Free



## 8. Competition Regulations of IKGA Championships

*\*Amended on 1st January 2025*

### **General Regulations:**

1. The latest World Karate Federation (WKF) Competition Rules shall be applied.  
In addition, the following arrangements for IKGA Championships shall be done.
2. The qualification for each of the age group (U14, Cadet Junior, U21, Senior and Veteran) shall be based on the first day of the championships. This means that contestants must have the eligible age on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025.
3. A maximum number of contestants per category per country:
  - 1) Individual KATA: Unlimited.
  - 2) Team KATA: Two (2) teams.
  - 3) Individual KUMITE: Unlimited.
  - 4) Team KUMITE: One (1) team.
  - 5) KATA BUNKAI KUMITE: Two (2) teams.
4. Repechage shall be applied to Individual Kata, Team Kata, Individual Kumite and Team Kumite.
  - 1) Repechage shall be applied to 14 years old & above (Cadet, Junior, U21, Senior, Veteran and Shihan).
  - 2) As for 13 years old & below (U14), Repechage shall be applied to only the quarter finalists.
5. Each country will be encouraged to provide, at the country's expense, a minimum of four (4) referees/judges who are qualified by WKF or one of five (5) Continental Federations (AKF, EKF, OKF, PKF & UFAK).  
IKGA referees/judges recommended by the Country Director may be acceptable.
6. Gi and belts for Contestants:
  - 1) Contestants shall wear a white Karate Gi and red and blue (Aka and Ao) belts as defined in the latest WKF Competition Rules.



- 2) Any white Gi and belt approved by WKF, Continental Federations, National Federation (NF) and/or local made is acceptable.
- 3) Embroideries such as names of person, Dojo, country, association, embroidered brands/stripe on the shoulders in respectively red/blue are allowed.
- 4) The “Goju-kai Fist Logo” must be worn on the breast or sleeve of the Gi jacket.

#### 7. Individual Events:

- 1) An individual event needs a minimum of five (5) contestants from three (3) different countries to constitute a category. In case the requirement is not met, the category will be integrated into the higher class (heavier category).
- 2) A contestant who is 16-17 years old may enter for a maximum of three (3) categories; Kata Junior (16-17 yrs old), Kata Senior (16 yrs old & above) and Kumite Junior (16-17 yrs old).
- 3) A contestant who is 18-20 years old may enter for a maximum of five (5) categories; Kata U21 (18-20 yrs old), Kata Senior (16 yrs old & above), Kumite U21 (18-20 yrs old), Kumite Senior (18 yrs old & above) and Jiyu Kumite.
- 4) A contestant who is 40-49 years old and above excluding Shihan may enter for a maximum of five (5) categories; Kata Senior (16 years old & above), Kata Veteran (40-49 years old), Kumite Senior (18 years old & above), Kumite Veteran (40-49 years old) and Jiyu Kumite.
- 5) A contestant who is 50 years old & above excluding Shihan may enter for a maximum of five (5) categories; Kata Senior (16 years old & above), Kata Veteran (50 years old & above), Kumite Senior (18 years old & above), Kumite Veteran (50 years old & above) and Jiyu Kumite.
- 6) A Shihan who is 39 years old & below may enter for a maximum of four (4) categories; Kata Senior (16 years old & above), Kata Shihan, Kumite Senior (18 years old & above) and Jiyu Kumite.
- 7) A Shihan who is 40-49 years old may enter for a maximum of six (6) categories; Kata Senior (16 years old & above), Kata Veteran (40-49 years old), Kata Shihan, Kumite Senior (18 years old & above), Kumite Veteran (40-49 years old) and Jiyu Kumite.
- 8) A Shihan who is 50 years old and above may enter for a maximum of six (6) categories; Kata Senior (16 years old & above), Kata Veteran (50 years old & above), Kata Shihan, Kumite Senior (18 years old & above), Kumite Veteran (50 years old & above) and Jiyu Kumite.



#### 8. Team Events (Team Kata, Team Kumite, Kata Bunkai Kumite):

- 1) No mixing of male and female in any Team event is allowed.
- 2) Team events need a minimum of four (4) teams from three (3) different countries to constitute the category. In case the requirement is not met, the category will be integrated into the higher class.
- 3) A contestant who is 16-17 years old may enter for only one (1) age category, either Junior (16-17 yrs old) or Senior (16 yrs old & above) in Kata and Kata Bunkai Kumite respectively.
- 4) A contestant who is 18-20 years old may enter for only one (1) age category, either U21 (18-20 yrs old) or Senior (16 yrs old & above) in Kata and Kata Bunkai Kumite respectively.
- 5) Only one (1) team per country is allowed to enter for Team Kumite (16 yrs old & above).
- 6) In medal matches for Team Kata, No Bunkai is required.

#### 9. Medals:

- 1) Two (2) bronze medals will be awarded for all categories with eight (8) or more contestants/teams in a category.
- 2) In case there are less than eight (8) contestants/teams in a category, one (1) bronze medal will be fought by the contestants who lost to finalists.

10. All participants; contestants, coaches, team managers, referees and judges and officials must wear the prescribed uniforms as defined of the IKGA Rule.



## **KATA Regulations:**

1. Only IKGA Katas are allowed. No variation is allowed.
2. Children 6-9 years old:
  - 1) Contestants need to prepare at least two (2) Katas and the highest is Seienchin.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→A→B).
  - 3) Two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time through 1<sup>st</sup> round to the final round.
3. Children 10-13 years old:
  - 1) Contestants need to prepare at least two (2) Katas and the highest is Sanseiru.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→A→B).
  - 3) Two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time through 1<sup>st</sup> round to the final round.
4. Cadet (14-15 years old):
  - 1) Contestants need to prepare at least three (3) Katas and the highest is Seipai.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→C→A or B).
  - 3) Contestants perform one (1) person at a time in principle. In case there are many entries, it will be consulted that two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time in elimination rounds and medal bouts will be performed one (1) person at a time.
5. Junior (16-17 years old):
  - 1) Contestants need to prepare at least three (3) Katas and the highest is Kururunfa.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→C→A or B).
  - 3) Contestants perform one (1) person at a time in principle. In case there are many entries, it will be consulted that two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time in elimination rounds and medal bouts will be performed one (1) person at a time.
6. U21 (18-20 years old), Senior and Veteran:





- 1) Contestants need to prepare at least three (3) Katas and the highest is Suparimpei.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→C→A or B).
  - 3) Contestants perform one (1) person at a time in principle. In case there are many entries, it will be consulted that two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time in elimination rounds and medal bouts will be performed 1 person at a time.
7. Shihan:
- 1) Contestants need to prepare at least three (3) Katas including two (2) Tokutei Kata; Genkaku and Chikaku.
  - 2) Contestants cannot repeat same Kata two (2) times in a row (must perform A→B→C→A or B).
  - 3) Contestants perform one (1) person at a time in principle. In case there are many entries, it will be consulted that two (2) contestants (Aka and Ao) perform Kata at same time in elimination rounds and medal bouts will be performed one (1) person at a time.



## **KUMITE Regulations:**

1. Protective equipment:
  - 1) Helmet is not worn.
  - 2) 13 years old & below:
    - a) Gum Shield, Mitts (red and blue), Shin Pads & Foot Protection (red and blue) are compulsory.
    - b) Body Protector and Groin Guards may be worn (optional). The O.C. strongly recommend to wear both Body Protector and Groin Guards for contestants' safety.
    - c) External Chest Protector may be worn.
  - 3) 14 years old & above: WKF rule shall be applied.
  - 4) In accordance with the WKF Competition Rule, contestants are recommended to wear red and blue color Mitts and Shin Pads & Foot Protection in principle. However, by taking each NF's competition rule into consideration, any color of Shin Pads & Foot Protection prescribed by each NF is allowed.
  - 5) Any equipment approved by WKF/Continental Federations and local made is allowed and must be WKF type.
  - 6) All contestants must provide their own protective equipment. The O.C. is not responsible for providing belts and protective equipment for contestants.
2. Duration of Kumite bouts:
  - 1) 13 years old & below: 1.5 minutes.
  - 2) 14 years old & above: WKF rule shall be applied.
3. Ending of a Kumite bout in case of a clear lead:
  - 1) 13 years old & below: When a contestant obtained a clear lead of six (6) points during the bout, the bout is ended at this point.
  - 2) 14 years old & above: WKF rule shall be applied.



### **KATA BUNKAI KUMITE Regulation:**

1. Flag system for Hantei is applied.
2. One contestant performs only attack side, the other performs only Kata side.
3. Contestants must to prepare at least two (2) Kata Bunkai. Round one and round two must be different Kata Bunkai, thereafter Kata Bunkai may be repeated for reminder of rounds (A→B→A, A→B→B, A→B→C).
4. Kata Bunkai selection:
  - 1) Cadet ... the highest is Sanseiru
  - 2) Junior ... the highest is Seisan
  - 3) U21 ... the highest is Seipai
  - 4) Senior ... the highest is Superimpei

※The Competition Regulations are subject to change.

### **Additional Information**

※We will inform you about the application in the next tournament guidelines.