British Karate Federation

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British International Open

Karate Championships

2016

Senior, Junior, Cadet & Children

WORLD WKF KARATE FEDERATION

UKSPORT

TEAM GB

The **British Karate Federation** are recognised by

Ponds Forge International Arena
Sheffield, England
24-25th September 2016

Entries close September 11th

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Terry Connell
BKF President

Dear Friends,

After three consecutive years in Glasgow, may I take this opportunity to welcome you to the British International Open Championships, and to the host city of Sheffield.

The EKF competitors, coaches, and travelling families have shown great loyalty over these past few years in making the journey north at considerable expense. With the Emirates under threat of being reserved for the European Referendum in 2016 we felt it was time to show our gratitude to the support of England, and indeed Wales and Northern Ireland, and centralise the event in 2016.

In June 2015 the European Karate Federation had 38 member nations participating in the inaugural European Games in Baku, Azerbaijan. These games had the patronage of the European Olympic Committee and it was the first time karate had been invited to participate in an Olympic environment. The games went fantastically well from our perspective, and the news that the IOC will consider our application for participation in the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020 in Rio this August should prepare us for full Olympic integration.

On the 3rd August 2016 at the congress in Rio the IOC accepted the WKF application for karate to be included in the Tokyo Olympic Games in 2020. This was the most important announcement ever in the history of Karate and thanks must go to everyone concerned in gaining this recognition. Special thanks must go to the WKF President, Antonio Espinos, for his tireless efforts over the years resulting in the WKF achieving this status.

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Sheffield International Venues — Ponds Forge International Sports Centre

Saturday 24th September

KATA - INDIVIDUAL				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Girls Kata 7-9 yrs	KA01		Boys Kata 7-9 yrs	KA04
Girls Kata 10-11 yrs	KA02		Boys Kata 10 yrs	KA05
Girls Kata 12-13 yrs	KA03		Boys Kata 11 yrs	KA05b
			Boys Kata 12 yrs	KA06
			Boys Kata 13 years	KA06b

DISABILITY KATA – MIXED – ALL AGES				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Disability Kata Able Bodied - all ages	KA07		Disability Kata Wheelchair - all ages	KA08

KATA – PAIR TEAMS				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Girls Pairs Team Kata 7-10 yrs	KAT01		Boys Pairs Team Kata 7-10 yrs	KAT03
Girls Pairs Team Kata 11-13 yrs	KAT02		Boys Pairs Team Kata 11-13 yrs	KAT04

KUMITE - INDIVIDUAL				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Girls Kumite 7-9 yrs	KU01		Boys Kumite 7-8 yrs	KU06
Girls Kumite 10-11yrs -35Kg	KU02		Boys Kumite 9 yrs	KU06b
Girls Kumite 10-11yrs +35Kg	KU03		Boys Kumite 10 yrs -35Kg	KU07
Girls Kumite 12 yrs	KU04		Boys Kumite 10 yrs +35Kg	KU07b
Girls Kumite 13yrs	KU05		Boys Kumite 11 yrs -35Kg	KU08
			Boys Kumite 11 yrs +35Kg	KU08b
			Boys Kumite 12 yrs -45Kg	KU09
			Boys Kumite 12 yrs +45Kg	KU09b
			Boys Kumite 13 yrs -50Kg	KU10
			Boys Kumite 13 yrs +50Kg	KU10b

KUMITE – PAIR TEAMS				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Girls Pair Team Kumite 7-9 yrs	KT01		Boys Pair Team Kumite 7-9 yrs	KT04
Girls Pair Team Kumite 10-11yrs	KT02		Boys Pair Team Kumite 10-11yrs	KT05
Girls Pair Team Kumite 12-13yrs	KT03		Boys Pair Team Kumite 12-13yrs	KT06

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Sunday 25th September

KATA				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Cadet Kata 14-15yrs	KA09		Male Cadet Kata 14-15yrs	KA14
Female Junior Kata 16-17yrs	KA10		Male Junior Kata 16-17yrs	KA15
Female U21 Kata	KA11		Male U21 Kata	KA16
Female Senior Kata	KA12		Male Senior Kata	KA17
Female Veteran All Grades 35yrs +	KA13		Male Veteran All Grades 35yrs +	KA18
Female Team Kata (3) 14yrs+	KAT05		Male Team Kata (3) 14yrs+	KAT06

CADET KUMITE 14-15 YEARS				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs -47Kg	KU11		Male Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs -57Kg	KU14
Female Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs -54Kg	KU12		Male Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs -70kg	KU15
Female Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs +54Kg	KU13		Male Cadet Kumite 14-15yrs +70Kg	KU16

JUNIOR KUMITE 16-17 YEARS				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Junior Kumite 16-17yrs -53Kg	KU17		Male Junior Kumite 16-17yrs -61Kg	KU20
Female Junior Kumite 16-17yrs -59Kg	KU18		Male Junior Kumite 16-17yrs -76Kg	KU21
Female Junior Kumite 16-17yrs +59Kg	KU19		Male Junior Kumite 16-17yrs +76Kg	KU22

UNDER 21 KUMITE				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Kumite U21 – Open Weight	KU23		Male Kumite U21 -75Kg	KU26
			Male Kumite U21 +75Kg	KU27

KUMITE SENIORS				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Senior Kumite 18yrs+ -55Kg	KU29		Male Senior Kumite 18yrs+ -75Kg	KU32
Female Senior Kumite 18yrs+ -68Kg	KU30		Male Senior Kumite 18yrs+ -84Kg	KU33
Female Senior Kumite 18yrs+ +68Kg	KU31		Male Senior Kumite 18yrs+ +84Kg	KU34

VETERAN OPEN KUMITE				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Veteran 35yrs +	KU35		Male Veteran 35yrs +	KU36

KUMITE – TEAMS (3) – CADET, JUNIOR, SENIOR				
Category	**Code**		**Category**	**Code**
Female Cadet Team	KT07		Male Cadet Team	KT10
Female Junior Team	KT08		Male Junior Team	KT11
Female Senior Team	KT09		Male Senior Team	KT12

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IMPORTANT NOTES

Photography and Recording
The BKF plan to engage a photographer who will take action/podium shots of the competitors. Photographs will be taken at the event for promotional purposes, however should anyone have a concern please contact the event organiser prior to the event.

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR COACHES:
Only NGB accredited coaches are permitted in the tatami area.

Following a BKF Refereeing Commission meeting it was decided that anyone wishing to coach at the tatami during a BKF event would have to have NGB accreditation to prove they were aware of the required rules, responsibilities and expected conduct. **Without this accreditation a coach pass will not be issued by the event organiser.** All coaches must register via Sportdata.

Coach: Dress code:
Coaches must be in association tracksuits and clearly display their coaching ID badge. Inappropriate dress, as deemed by the chief referee, will be refused access to the competition area. Only coaches adhering to the correct dress code and in possession of a coaching pass will be allowed on the competition area.

We fully intend to have Repechage for CADETS, JUNIORS and SENIORS Individual Kumite and Kata.
However the chief referee has the authority to withdraw repecharge if the time frame becomes critical.
Competitors can only compete in their own categories and cannot move up to compete in another category.
In the unlikely event of low category entries the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate categories.

Insurance: It is the responsibility of each individual, or parent / guardian of a competitor if under 18 years of age, to have their own insurance cover for the event. Please advise your competitors accordingly regarding insurance cover. It is the responsibility of the clubs/coaches to ensure that all competitors are aware of this and have been advised of adequate cover. Association/club parental consent to compete is also required. This is the responsibility of the association.
Health and Safety issues have been discussed and we try to plan for every eventuality. However this is a busy tournament and due care an attention is required in all areas. Would all coaches/parents ensure their children are properly chapparoned. Karate matches are perfromed in bare feet, please ensure proper footwear is used in the arena and surrounding areas, especially approaching the mats.

Disclaimer: Karate is a martial art and contact sport. People can and do get injured and we cannot accept responsibility for any such injury, loss or accident arising from your participation in our training, competitions or associated activities and ask that you are aware, agree and accept this by entering or giving permission to enter this event. We should also be notified, in writing, of any medical condition that may have relevance to their participation in karate.

If you require any further information or assistance then please contact robert.w.morton@btinternet.com

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All Competitor & Coach Registration is via Sportdata

Please note these championships are open to WKF affiliated members only

The British Karate Federation are pleased to announce that "***SportData***" is a major sponsor of BKF events. "***SportData***" allows for "on-line" registration. Many major championships around the world are now using "SportData". You will be able to see all the entries for the contest as well as the draw sheets once they have been generated. ***This is the ONLY METHOD for registration for the British Karate Federation Events.***

All entries are online only: For registration please visit: www.sportdata.org
For help on how to register online visit: http://www.sportdata.org/set-online/faq_en.php?active_menu=faq

It is the responsibility of coaches to ensure that all competitors are registered and are in the correct categories. Competitors are only allowed to compete in their own age/weight category and are not allowed to move up a category. Entries will only be accepted via your coach/association and not from individuals.

Should certain categories fail to meet an acceptable number of entries, or indeed an excess of entrants, the BKF event team reserve the right to alter/merge these categories to maintain the integrity of the competion.

Coach Registration: All coaches must register on-line via Sportdata before the closing date. Coach passes will only be issued to coaches who are NGB accredited and registered via SportData.

ENTRY FEES

Competitor		**Spectator Entry Fees**	
Indivudual Events	£22	Adults	£10
Team Events	£30	Children -16yrs / Concession	Free

Closing Date for entries is 11th September 2016.
No late entries permitted. Any amendments requested to entries will be subject to an administration fee of £10 per entry.

Cheques to be made out to British Karate Federation and not to BKF.

BACS details: Barclays Bank: Sort Code: 20-33-70 Account No: 60542687

Please ensure that if paying by BACS you have an identifying reference against your payment i.e. Club/Association Name. Please also provide a receipt or confirmation of your BACS payment to the organiser.

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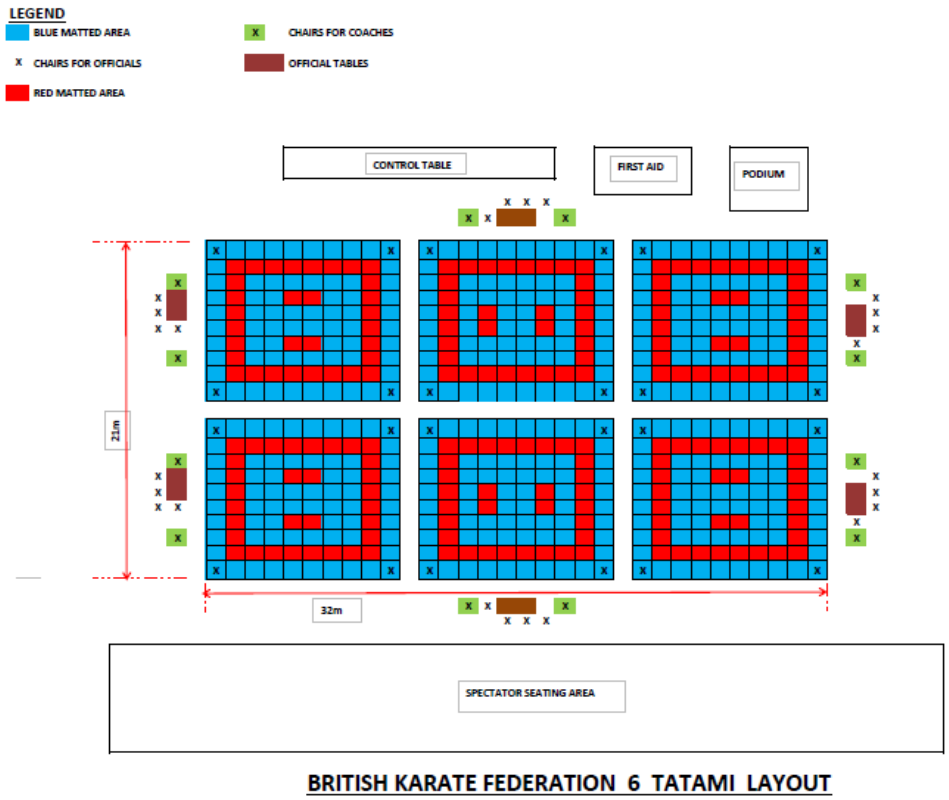
Venue lay out and Rules of the day



BRITISH KARATE FEDERATION 6 TATAMI LAYOUT

The BKF would like to thank Robert McQueen for his assistance with regard to the tournament floor plan.

Both days will start at 9am prompt with kata. Kumite will have staggered start times through the day. A full event schedule confirming start times will be published on Sportdata a week prior to the event.

Kata 7 – 9 years may alternate katas (performing a minimum of 2 different katas).
Kata 10 -13 years may alternate katas (performing a minimum of 3 different katas.).

Kata 7-13 years. Dependent on category numbers and in order to minimise any time constraints AKA and AO will perform their kata simultaneously i.e on an area at the same time.

Kata and Kumite for 14/15 years and above will be held under WKF rules. WKF rules will be strictly applied in all categories for 14 years and above **with the exception of face masks which are not compulsory, no bunkai required for team kata.**

Competitor check-in will be carried out prior to each category starting. If competitors are not checked in at this point they will automatically be disqualified and not allowed to compete. Please ensure your competitors are checked in on time prior to their category starting.

BKF Chief Referee: Mr Dale Gamble: REFEREES BRIEFING 8.30am

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