

Rules and Regulations for UMA Karate Championships

- Only One Coach/Instructor Per Club, Team or Group will receive Free Entry to the any UMA Championship Event, all other Instructors, Coach's, Assistant Instructors and Assistant Coach's etc, must Pay the Spectator Entry Fee of £5 per person. But If a Coach or Instructor has less than 3 Registered Club, Team or Group Competitors Entered, the Coach must then also Pay the Spectator Entry Fee of £5.
 - If you have long hair it must be tied back etc, please make sure all Competitors have clean short finger nails and toe nails etc. No Jewellery whatsoever is allowed to be worn, also, bring your own **Red** and **Blue** Belts and Kumite Mitts etc.
 - All Competitors and they're Coach's are expected to remain seated during the course of their particular Bracket and Contest etc, until the final announcements are made, this will ensure the smooth running of the Divisions, Brackets, Contests and Championships.
- THERE IS NO COACHING ALLOWED WHILST A CONTEST IS IN PROGRESS.**
- The only Persons allowed to approach or be in the Contest Area and Officials Areas on the Opposite Side of the Contest Area are the Official Competitors who have been called onto the Contest Area or Officials Area.
 - All Competitor Licences and Insurance etc, must be current, up to date and valid as so to allow them to partake and compete in the appropriate Championship Event that you wish to compete in at any of the UMA Open Championships, It is the responsibility of the Competitors and their own Association, Federation, N.G.B., Club, Team, Instructor, Coach and/or Guardian or Parent etc, to make sure the above are all in order as so to allow them to compete etc, if they are not and are found to be invalid or non compliant etc, then the U.M.A., The Organiser, Officials and Referee's and the U.M.A.'s Insurers etc, cannot and will not be held responsible should a breach of our Rules take place. By Entering any of our Open Championship Events you omit to the Fact that you and your Competitors are in compliance with this ruling and are fully insured to compete.
 - Should any Competitor require Optional Member to Member Insurance cover to compete at any UMA Championship Event, the U.M.A. can provide Insurance Cover for the Competitor should a Competitor need Insurance cover to partake and Compete at any of the Open Championship Events, at a small cost of only £5 per Competitor per Event, which must be paid in advance with the Entry Fees, Insurance payments will not be accepted on the Day due to the Registration requirements.
 - Fully Qualified Event First Aid support will be in attendance at all UMA Championship Events.
 - The Venue will be open from 8.30am in the morning on the Day of the Championships for everyone to be able to Sign In and Register.
 - Eliminations Will Begin at approx 9.30am to 10.00am, *(so please don't be late registering in and signing in etc)* and the Championships will finish/end when all Divisions and Brackets etc, are fully completed.
 - UMA Kata and Kumite Rules are as W.U.K.F. but with slight modifications to suit these British Open Championships.
 - All Kata Competitors must wear a **Red** Belt/Obi only.
 - All Kumite Competitors must wear either a **Red** or **Blue** Belt/Obi.
 - All Juniors 9 years old and under Kumite Contests are 1 minute in duration.
 - All Juniors 10 to 15 years old Kumite Contests are 2 minutes in duration.
 - All Cadets 16 to 18 years old Kumite Contests are 3 minutes in duration
 - Juniors 9 years old and under Kumite is Ippon Kumite.
 - Juniors 10 to 15 years old and Kumite is Nihon Kumite.
 - Cadets 16 to 18 years old Kumite is Sanbon Kumite.

- Gumshield, Kumite Mitts and Kumite Foot Protectors must be worn; Head Guard, Groin Guard and Shin Protectors are Optional.
- Kata Judging and Scoring is by way of 3 Kata Judges issuing Points Scored over all 3 Contest Rounds, the 3rd Round being the Final.
- Kumite Refereeing and Scoring is by way of 2 Kumite (*Mirror*) Referee's.
- All Winners Medals will be presented on the Winners Podium once all the Divisions, Brackets and Categories are Completed, Winners Medals are Awarded for;
 - 2 to 8 Players 1st, 2nd and 3rd place only.
 - 9 Players and over 1st, 2nd and Joint 3rd places.
- All Competitors will receive a UMA Certificate/Diploma of Participation for Taking Part/Competing in the Championships.
- All Individual and Team Contests are either by way of Direct Elimination; Elimination with Repechage, Pools or Best of Three.
- When you enter your Division, Bracket and Category on the Registration Form, and the Individual or Team are found to be over the Registered Grade in any Division on the Day, you will be immediately Disqualified without any refund of any Registration and Entry Fees paid.
- Video Recorders: Video Recorders are allowed and can be used, but you must register them and your details on the forms available for each and every Video Recorder and person/s using them, as you will then be issued with a pass on entry to allow you to use Video Camcorders/Recorders etc, and please, do not film in or around the immediate Contest Areas, please film only from the Spectator Areas.
- The Organisers reserve the right to amalgamate, change, add or remove any under subscribed Divisions, Classes or Categories without prior notice.
- All Entry Forms must be sent back to the UMA Event Organiser by either E Mail or Post.
- No Competitor Entry Fees will be Refunded whatsoever should any Competitor or Club/Team Not Turn Up, Not Enter, Not Compete, Get Disqualified or Get Injured or Pulled from a Category, Bracket or Division, Event or Contest for whatever reason etc, or should any Competitor decide not to enter or Compete in any Categories that are either amalgamated, changed or added.
- If a Competitor/s does not turn up for any reason whatsoever etc, no other Individual or Team will be allowed to take the missing Competitor/s place in Any Division or Bracket etc, whatsoever.
- All Entry Forms must be received by the UMA Event Organiser by no later than the Official Closing Date, any Entry Forms received by the UMA after the Official Closing Date will not be accepted and returned to the sender.
- All Entry Fees received must be Cleared Funds in either the UMA's Bank or Paypal Account by no later than the Official Closing Date, any Entry Fees that are not Cleared Funds or are received by the UMA after the Official Closing Date will not be accepted and returned to the sender.
- Any Rules Meeting for Coach's and Competitors start at approximately 09.15am to .9.45am.
- Please be advised, the Only Persons allowed on the immediate Contest Areas are the Competitors, Referee's and First Aid Support Officials only.
- Spectator Entry Fee of £5 for Adults aged 16 years old and over and £3 for Children under 16 years of age.

PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY KNOW AND ABIDE BY THEM.

KATA

1: Junior Boys and Girls Mixed	9 years old and under	4th Kyu and under
2: Junior Boys and Girls Mixed	9 years old and under	3rd Kyu and over
3: Junior Boys	10 to 12 years old	4th Kyu and under
4: Junior Boys	10 to 12 years old	3rd Kyu and over
5: Junior Boys	13 to 15 years old	4th Kyu and under
6: Junior Boys	13 to 15 years old	3rd Kyu and over
7: Junior Girls	10 to 12 years old	4th Kyu and under
8: Junior Girls	10 to 12 years old	3rd Kyu and over
9: Junior Girls	13 to 15 years old	4th Kyu and under
10: Junior Girls	13 to 15 years old	3rd Kyu and over
11: Cadet Female	16 to 18 years old	4th Kyu and under
12: Cadet Female	16 to 18 years old	3rd Kyu and over
13: Cadet Male	16 to 18 years old	4th Kyu and under
14: Cadet Male	16 to 18 years old	3rd Kyu and over
15: Junior Team Kata, Boys, Girls or Mixed	15 years old and under	Open Grade
16: Cadet Team Kata, Male, Female or Mixed	16 to 18 years old	Open Grade

KUMITE

17: Junior Boys and Girls Mixed	9 years old and under	4th Kyu and under
18: Junior Boys and Girls Mixed	9 years old and under	3rd Kyu and over
19: Junior Boys	10 to 12 years old	4th Kyu and under
20: Junior Boys	10 to 12 years old	3rd Kyu and over
21: Junior Boys	13 to 15 years old	4th Kyu and under
22: Junior Boys	13 to 15 years old	3rd Kyu and over
23: Junior Girls	10 to 12 years old	4th Kyu and under
24: Junior Girls	10 to 12 years old	3rd Kyu and over
25: Junior Girls	13 to 15 years old	4th Kyu and under
26: Junior Girls	13 to 15 years old	3rd Kyu and over
27: Cadet Female	16 to 18 years old	4th Kyu and under
28: Cadet Female	16 to 18 years old	3rd Kyu and over
29: Cadet Male	16 to 18 years old	4th Kyu and under
30: Cadet Male	16 to 18 years old	3rd Kyu and over
31: Junior Team Kumite, Boys, Girls or Mixed	15 years old and under	Open Grade
32: Cadet Team Kumite, Male, Female or Mixed	16 to 18 years old	Open Grade