

2026 WUKF SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS & AFRO-ASIA OPEN



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1. Introduction to WUKF

Since its inception in 2009 WUKF has grown to become one of the most recognised, progressive, professional, and highly regarded all-styles karate sports Federations in the World.

WUKF's success can largely be attributed to the legacy of past president Mr Osvaldo Messias de Oliveira (Brasil) and the tireless work done by his successor Prof. Dr Liviu Crisan (Romania). They, together with their Executive Committee have created a Federation which strives toward inclusivity, mutual-respect, transparency, and integrity. This ethos has been cultivated in a friendly, harmonious, and cooperative working relationship with affiliates from across the globe.

Prof. Dr Liviu Crisan and his Executive Committee are passionate karate practitioners and their motto "Karate For All" is the essence which binds all WUKF Affiliates into a formidable and successful World Federation.

2. A Message from the Organiser

It is my privilege to invite South African and International WUKF affiliated Federations to the 2026 WUKF South African National Championship & Afro-Asia Open. The Championship carries the full-support and endorsement of WUKF President, Prof. Dr Liviu Crisan and his Executive Committee.

Building on the success of previous years, the Championship will return to the splendid Boardwalk Hotel and International Convention Centre in Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) which is situated on Marine Drive directly opposite the iconic Hobie Beach and Shark Rock Pier.

Not only will the Championship consolidate the friendship and camaraderie between WUKF affiliates in South Africa and abroad, but it will also serve as an excellent showcase event for WUKF Karate & Kobudo in this Country. The Championship will play a pivotal role in assisting selected competitors in their preparations for the 14th WUKF World Championship in Romania in July 2026.

The luxurious championship venue (2000 square metres) will comprise eight tatami floors, each with comfortable seating for spectators and air-conditioning. In addition, the championship experience will provide the opportunity for competitors, officials, their families, and supporters of WUKF Karate & Kobudo to enjoy an unforgettable experience at this incredible destination. With the Kihapp Online Management System competitors and spectators will have real time access to drawsheets, category results and other data. In addition, all categories will be streamed live to YouTube.

East Cape Shotokan-Ryu's Organising Committee has decades of experience in staging large scale championship events, and we are committed to delivering an enjoyable and professional Championship. We look forward to welcoming you to the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa.



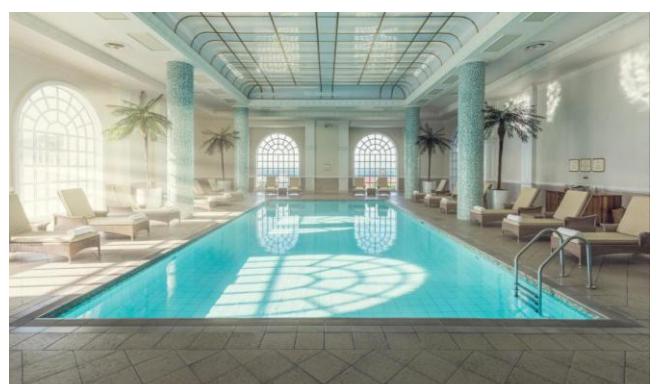
Gary Grapentin
WUKF President for Africa
Organiser - 2026 WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open

3. Championship Venue and Official Hotel

The Boardwalk Hotel, International Convention Centre, Casino and Entertainment World in Gqeberha offers premier luxury hotel accommodation only a few minutes away from the Blue Flag awarded Hobie Beach. Not only popular for its premier luxury hotel, The Boardwalk is also a unique entertainment, casino, dining and conference venue. Adjacent to the hotel is the newly upgraded and refurbished Boardwalk Mall, which provides shoppers with a thrilling retail experience, numerous restaurants, coffee shops as well as a cinema complex.

Overlooking the Indian Ocean, this sprawling casino hotel is 5km from both the Humewood Golf Club and the Chief Dawid Stuurman International Airport. Each of the luxuriously appointed sea-facing hotel rooms at The Boardwalk enjoy uninterrupted ocean views, and offer sumptuous premier luxury comfort for guests visiting South Africa's Friendly City. The Boardwalk Hotel is ideally positioned along the Golden Mile where a host of family-friendly and outdoor activities are available. But if you'd prefer to stay in for the day, relax at the indoor and outdoor pools or at the pool deck overlooking the beachfront.

Breakfast is included, and dining options range from casual to haute international fare. An airport shuttle is also available at a fee. Please see page 10 of this document for booking details as well as Appendix 1.



4. Eastern Cape Province and Surrounds

The Boardwalk Hotel provides the perfect base from which to explore the Eastern Cape Province. Near to the hotel, is a selection of some of South Africa's most beautiful, pristine, and iconic beaches. Gqeberha also has a rich history dating back to the 1800's with several landmarks, museums, and places of interest within easy reach of the hotel.

The Eastern Cape is home to the Big Five and offers some of the best game viewing opportunities in South Africa. World class game lodges and parks can be found within 60 to 90 minutes' drive of the city. These include the internationally acclaimed Addo National Park, Amakhala, Pumba, Sibuya, Kariega and Shamwari Game Reserves. The area is also malaria free.

Gqeberha also offers an amazing shopping experience with the newly refurbished Boardwalk Mall (adjacent to the Hotel), Walmer Park Shopping Centre and Baywest Mall rating among the top shopping destinations in the city.

Slightly further afield is Jeffrey's Bay - this legendary surfers' paradise is considered to have one of the very best right-hand point breaks in the world.

Inland, the frontier towns of Bathurst and Makhanda (previously Grahamstown) are situated within 90 minutes' drive of the hotel. Both towns are steeped in history and charm harking back to the 1800's. The picturesque coastal resort towns of Kenton on Sea and Port Alfred lie to the East of Gqeberha.

Opportunities to participate in adventure sports and activities abound, including bungee jumping at Bloukrans Bridge (one of the highest jumps in the world), scuba diving, mountain biking, hiking, and others.

Gqeberha is considered the gateway to the spectacularly scenic Garden Route (N2), which offers an exquisitely beautiful coastal road trip to Cape Town via Storms River, Plettenberg Bay, Knysna, Sedgefield and Wilderness.

As an inland alternative to Cape Town, Route 62 is the longest wine route in the world and passes through the Klein Karoo which features several historic South African towns.

For those visitors who would prefer to just relax and focus on the weekend's karate activities, the good news is that once you arrive at The Boardwalk Hotel, there is no further need to travel.



5. Closing Date for Entries, Corrections, and payments



Kihapp

The Kihapp Online Tournament Management System will be used to register all competitors, coaches, and referees. A link and instructions will follow in early February 2026. It is recommended for each federation to appoint one team

manager to register their federation's competitors for the Championship. The team manager may share the link with his/her dojo-heads.

Entry forms for officials attending the Cocktail Evening (open to referees, jury table judges, coaches, competitors, and partners) and the VIP & Federation Heads' Dinner will be available to download from Kihapp as from February 2026.

Federation Heads are requested to ensure that this invitation along with the relevant entry forms are timeously distributed to their affiliates.

Closing date: Monday, 30th March. This is the final date for the submission of all entries via Kihapp as well as the return of forms for the Cocktail Evening and VIP & Federation Heads' Dinner. The organisers will invoice each Federation on Wednesday, 1st of April. The final date for payment will be Friday, 3rd April. Each Federation is required to make a single payment on behalf of their members. Regrettably no late entries will be accepted thereafter.

Entry fees for competitors:

First two individual events (individual kata and kumite): ZAR 300 per category.

Third or additional individual events: ZAR 120 per category per competitor.

Team events:

Team events: ZAR 120 per team member.

Coaches

Registration is ZAR 100 per coach. One coach for every 10 competitors per Federation will be allowed.

Entry fees for spectators:

ZAR 70 per day: Adults and Children. Children under 5: Free. Payment may be made on arrival either via cash or card (card facilities will be available at the entrance to the venue).

Corrections: Kihapp will reopen from Tuesday, 7th April until Thursday, 9th of April for any corrections.

The team manager is responsible for ensuring that all his/her competitors have been placed in the correct categories. Inaccurate information pertaining to weight, age, gender or belt will result in the athlete being disqualified from his/her respective category/categories. Spot weight checks may be conducted at the Championship.

Bank details for all payments:

Account name: ECSR Karate

Standard Bank Account Number: 28 406 2596

Account type: Business

Reference: Federation/dojo name

Please email proof of payment to Gary Grapentin at garyg@geenet.co.za.

6. Championship Programme

Courses for Officials: Wednesday, 29th April

Referees', judges', coaches', and jury table judges' courses will be conducted by senior referees, coaches, and officials via Zoom. Dates will be communicated to all federation heads in due course. For referees, judges and coaches who can attend, a course will be held in the championship venue on Wednesday, the 29th of April at The Boardwalk Hotel. Time 14:00 to 18:00. Referees and judges must wear their official attire and coaches a tracksuit.

WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open: Day 1: Thursday, 30th April

07:00: Venue doors open to the public and competitors.

07:00: Referees', judges', coaches', and table officials' briefings.

07:30: Competitors and officials assemble at a designated area outside the venue.

07:50: Competitors' and Officials' Procession.

08:10 - 08:40: Opening Ceremony.

08:50: First categories

All Individual Kata and Shobu Nihon Kumite categories for Children 12yrs and younger.

WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open Day 2: Friday, 1st May

07:15: Venue doors open to the public and competitors.

07:20: Referees', judges', coaches', and table officials' briefings.

08:00: First categories

All Inclusive Categories (all ages).

All Individual Kata Categories for Mini Cadets (13yrs), Cadets, Juniors, Seniors and Veterans.

All Kobudo Long and Short Weapon Categories for Children, Cadets, Juniors, Seniors and Veterans.

19:00: Cocktail Evening for VIP guests, federation-heads, referees, judges, competitors and partners (all attendees must be 18yrs+). Cost: R300 per person. Venue: Pre-Assembly (entrance to championship venue).

WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open Day 3: Saturday, 2nd May

07:15: Venue doors open to the public and competitors.

07:20: Referees', judges', coaches', and table officials' briefings.

08:00: First categories

All Shobu Sanbon Kumite Categories (13yrs to veterans).

19:00: VIP & Federation-Heads' Dinner at Kipling's Brasserie (at the Boardwalk Hotel): By invitation.

WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open Day 4: Sunday, 3rd May

07:15: Venue doors open to the public and competitors.

07:20: Referees', judges', coaches', and table officials' briefings.

08:00: First categories

All Team Kata, Team Kumite and Individual Shobu Ippon Kumite Categories.

7. Medical assistance

Trained medical personnel will be on hand to provide medical assistance in the event of injuries.

8. Restaurants

There is a restaurant in the Hotel as well as numerous restaurants and fast-food outlets at the Boardwalk Mall which is adjacent to the venue.

9. Photography

Professional photographers will be available to capture action and podium shots. These will be available for download, free of charge after the championship

10. Rules and Guidelines

The Championship rules will be based on the WUKF rules with amendments. It is the responsibility of the team manager and/or coach to be familiar with the rules and to inform their competitors accordingly. Please click on the following link to download the WUKF rules: [WUKF Rules – World Union of Karate-Do Federations \(wukf-karate.org\)](http://WUKF%20Rules%20-%20World%20Union%20of%20Karate-Do%20Federations%20(wukf-karate.org))

11. Equipment

Compulsory equipment for WUKF South African National Championships & Afro-Asia Open:

- Mitts (Shobu Ippon, Shobu Nihon and Sanbon kumite). Competitors may use bubble mitts (with or without thumb protector) for both Shobu Sanbon and Shobu Ippon kumite (alternatively competitors may use WUKF approved Shobu Ippon mitts).
- Except for Children, Cadet, Junior, Senior and Veteran elite (red to black belt) categories, competitors will only be required to have one pair of mitts (red or white).
- Exception to the above: Competitors (irrespective of belt level) competing in team kumite must have both a red and white pair of mitts.
- Gum shields must be worn for all kumite. May be any colour (preferably clear) except for red.
- Groin protectors for male cadets, juniors, seniors, and veterans. Highly recommended for all male kumite age categories including children.

Optional

- Chest protectors (Female Kumite).
- Body protectors (Children Nihon Kumite).
- Helmets (Children Nihon Kumite).

Allowed Equipment

- Sport glasses and contact lenses at own risk during kata.
- Groin protectors (Nihon Kumite).
- Shin protectors (Sanbon Kumite).
- White shin/instep protectors. May wear red if aka in nihon or sanbon kumite.

Forbidden Equipment:

- Spectacles (glass or hard plastic) for kumite.
- Shin protectors for Ippon kumite.
- Instep and shin protectors for Ippon Kumite
- Blue mitts, instep, and shin protectors.
- WKF labels on all equipment (including karate dogi) must be removed or taped over.

Provided equipment:

Red and white belts will be provided at each floor.

12. Determining the age of a Competitor

The age of the competitor will be determined by his/her age as on the 30th April 2026.

13. Combining of Categories

A minimum of four competitors must register for a category for it to be considered valid. If the threshold is not met, competitors will be moved into the next most suitable category. The organisers reserve the right to combine or divide categories according to the competitors' height/weight/belt/age.

14. Medals

Medals will be awarded to the top three individual competitors/teams in each kumite, kata and kobudo category.

15. Provincial and National Colours

Members from WUKF SA/MASA affiliated dojos may be considered for provincial colours and/or further awards.

16. Coaches

One coach for every 10 competitors per Federation will be allowed. Only coaches who attend the official course/s will be accredited to coach at the Championship. Coaches must wear a tracksuit. A tracksuit top may however be substituted with a golf shirt. Registration is ZAR 100 per coach.

17. Draw Sheets

- The knockout drawsheet system will be implemented for all kumite categories.
- The points system will be used for all kata and kobudo categories.

18. Dress code for referees and judges

The official referees' uniform for the Championship comprises:

- A navy-blue blazer bearing two silver buttons
- A WUKF badge
- A white short sleeve shirt
- A red WUKF / continental tie.
- Light grey trousers
- Black socks covering 2/3rd of the shin.
- Black soft sole shoes.

19. Disclaimer/indeemnity form

The disclaimer/indeemnity form must be correctly completed and returned to the organisers prior to, or on the day of the Championships. The disclaimer/indeemnity will be available for download from Kihapp.

20. Championship Organiser's Contact Details

Gary Grapentin Cell: 073 3460 059 (also available on WhatsApp). Email: garyg@geenet.co.za

21. Travel and Accommodation Bookings' Advisement

Federation-Heads are requested to caution all competitors and competitors' families to thoroughly check refund policies pertaining to all flight, shuttle, and accommodation bookings. The organisers will not be held responsible for any losses or reimbursements in this regard.

22. Acknowledgements of images used in this invitation

The organisers acknowledge that they do not own the rights to all images used in this invitation.

23. Accommodation Bookings

Special rates have been secured for the Championship at the following Hotels:

Boardwalk Hotel (5 star)

Luxury Twin Room: ZAR 2 893 per night double occupancy.

Luxury King Room: ZAR 2 583 per night single occupancy.

Please note:

- Rates applicable per room, per night, including breakfast.
- Rates exclude spectator access to the event.
- Accommodation is on a limited and thus first-come, first serve basis, subject to availability.



Contact: boardwalk.reservations@suninternational.com or 011 780 7800 Please quote: **WUKFSA26PB**

To book online: [Book now - 2026 WUKF SA & Afro-Asia Championships - Boardwalk](#)

For group bookings Email: grpresv@suninternational.com

Please see accompanying document for further details.

Beach Hotel (4 star): (situated next door to the Boardwalk Hotel)

Standard Non-Sea facing Rooms:

Single Room - 1 person: R1,325.00 per room per night.

Double Sharing - 2 people: R1,575.00 per room per night.

Superior Side Sea facing Rooms:

Single Room – 1 person: R1,405.00 per room per night.

Double Sharing – 2 people: R1,705.00 per room per night.

Superior Front Sea facing Rooms:

Single Room – 1 person: R1,550.00 per room per night.

Double Sharing- 2 people: R1,815.00 per room per night.

Rates are inclusive of luxury 4-star accommodation & breakfast.

Please quote: **WUKFKARATE**.

Contact: reservations@pehg.co.za or 041 502 3050.

Brochure & website: <https://brochure.pehotels.co.za/pehggroupbrochure>, <https://www.thebeachhotel.co.za>



City Lodge Hotel Group:

The Courtyard Hotel, City Lodge, Town Lodge and Road Lodge are all situated on Marine Drive and within easy walking distance of the Boardwalk Hotel and International Convention Centre. Guests staying at Road Lodge Port Elizabeth Airport would need to consider transport to and from the Championship. The City Lodge Group of Hotels provides a selection of accommodation establishments to suit most budgets.

To book a City Lodge Hotel, please use or quote the booking code "KARATE" when contacting the City Lodge Hotel Group at:

<https://citylodgehotels.com/>



24. Categories

Individual Kata: Male Children, Mini Cadets, Cadets, Juniors, Seniors, and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Individual Kata
001	Children 7yrs and under Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
002	Children 7yrs and under Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
003	Children 7yrs and under Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
004	Children 8yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
005	Children 8yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
006	Children 8yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
007	Children 9yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
008	Children 9yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
009	Children 9yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
010	Children 10yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
011	Children 10yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
012	Children 10yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
013	Children 11yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
014	Children 11yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
015	Children 11yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
016	Children 12yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
017	Children 12yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
018	Children 12yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
019	Mini Cadets 13yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
020	Mini Cadets 13yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
021	Mini Cadets 13yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
022	Cadets B 14-15yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
023	Cadets B 14-15yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
024	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
025	Cadets A 16-17yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
026	Cadets A 16-17yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
027	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
028	Juniors 18-20yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
029	Juniors 18-20yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
030	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
031	Seniors 21-35yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
032	Seniors 21-35yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
033	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
034	Veterans 36-49yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
035	Veterans 36-49yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
036	Veterans 50yrs+ Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
037	Veterans 50yrs+ Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
038	Veterans 36-40yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
039	Veterans 41-50yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
040	Veterans 51-60yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
041	Veterans 61yrs+Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles

Individual Kata: Female Children, Mini Cadets, Cadets, Juniors, Seniors, and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Individual Kata
051	Children 7yrs and under Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
052	Children 7yrs and under Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
053	Children 7yrs and under Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
054	Children 8yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
055	Children 8yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
056	Children 8yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
057	Children 9yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
058	Children 9yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
059	Children 9yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
060	Children 10yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
061	Children 10yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
062	Children 10yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
063	Children 11yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
064	Children 11yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
065	Children 11yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
066	Children 12yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
067	Children 12yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
068	Children 12yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
069	Mini Cadets 13yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
070	Mini Cadets 13yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
071	Mini Cadets 13yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
072	Cadets B 14-15yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
073	Cadets B 14-15yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
074	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	All-Styles
075	Cadets A 16-17yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
076	Cadets A 16-17yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
077	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
078	Juniors 18-20yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
079	Juniors 18-20yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
080	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
081	Seniors 21-35yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
082	Seniors 21-35yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
083	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
084	Veterans 36-49yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
085	Veterans 36-49yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
086	Veterans 50yrs+ Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	All-Styles
087	Veterans 50yrs+ Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	All-Styles
088	Veterans 36-40yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
089	Veterans 41-50yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
090	Veterans 51-60yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles
091	Veterans 61yrs+Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	All-Styles

Shobu Nihon Kumite: Male Children 7yrs and under – 12yrs

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
201	Children 7yrs and under Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
202	Children 7yrs and under Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
203	Children 7yrs and under Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
204	Children 8yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
205	Children 8yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
206	Children 8yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
207	Children 9yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
208	Children 9yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
209	Children 9yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
210	Children 10yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
211	Children 10yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
212	Children 10yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
213	Children 11yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
214	Children 11yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
215	Children 11yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
216	Children 12yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
217	Children 12yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
218	Children 12yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open

Shobu Nihon Kumite: Female Children 7yrs and under – 12yrs

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
251	Children 7yrs and under Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
252	Children 7yrs and under Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
253	Children 7yrs and under Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
254	Children 8yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
255	Children 8yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
256	Children 8yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
257	Children 9yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
258	Children 9yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
259	Children 9yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
260	Children 10yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
261	Children 10yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
262	Children 10yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
263	Children 11yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
264	Children 11yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
265	Children 11yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open
266	Children 12yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Open
267	Children 12yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Open
268	Children 12yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Open

Shobu Sanbon Kumite: Male Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
301	Mini Cadets 13yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
302	Mini Cadets 13yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
303	Mini Cadets 13yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
304	Cadets B 14-15yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
305	Cadets B 14-15yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
306	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon -65 kg
307	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon +65kg
308	Cadets A 16-17yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
309	Cadets A 16-17yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
310	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -65kg
311	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +65kg
312	Juniors 18-20yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
313	Juniors 18-20yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
314	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -65kg
315	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -75kg
316	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -85kg
317	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +85kg
318	Seniors 21-35yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
319	Seniors 21-35yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
320	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -65kg
321	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -75kg
322	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -85kg
323	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +85kg
324	Veterans 36-49yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
325	Veterans 36-49yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
326	Veterans 50yrs+ Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
327	Veterans 50yrs+ Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
328	Veterans 36-40yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
329	Veterans 41-50yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
330	Veterans 51-60yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
331	Veterans 61yrs+Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open

Shobu Sanbon Kumite: Female Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
351	Mini Cadets 13yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
352	Mini Cadets 13yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
353	Mini Cadets 13yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
354	Cadets B 14-15yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
355	Cadets B 14-15yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
356	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon -55 kg
357	Cadets B 14-15yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Red to Black	Shobu Sanbon +55kg
358	Cadets A 16-17yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
359	Cadets A 16-17yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
360	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -55kg
361	Cadets A 16-17yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +55kg
362	Juniors 18-20yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
363	Juniors 18-20yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
364	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -55kg
365	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -60kg
366	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -65kg
367	Juniors 18-20yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +65kg
368	Seniors 21-35yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
369	Seniors 21-35yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
370	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -55kg
371	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -60kg
372	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon -65kg
373	Seniors 21-35yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan	Shobu Sanbon +65kg
374	Veterans 36-49yrs Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
375	Veterans 36-49yrs Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
376	Veterans 50yrs+ Novice	9 th to 7 th Kyu / White to Orange	Shobu Sanbon Open
377	Veterans 50yrs+ Intermediate	6 th to 4 th Kyu / Green to Purple	Shobu Sanbon Open
378	Veterans 36-40yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
379	Veterans 41-50yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
380	Veterans 51-60yrs Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open
381	Veterans 61yrs+Elite	3 rd Kyu to Dan / Brown to Black	Shobu Sanbon Open

Shobu Ippon: Male Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
101	Mini Cadets 13yrs	All belts	Open
102	Cadets B 14-15yrs	All belts	Open
103	Cadets A 16-17yrs	All belts	Open
104	Juniors 18-20yrs	All belts	Open
105	Seniors 21-35yrs	All belts	-70kg
106	Seniors 21-35yrs	All belts	+70kg
107	Veterans 36-40yrs	All belts	Open
108	Veterans 41yrs & over	All belts	Open

Shobu Ippon: Female Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
151	Mini Cadets 13yrs	All belts	Open
152	Cadets B 14-15yrs	All belts	Open
153	Cadets A 16-17yrs	All belts	Open
154	Juniors 18-20yrs	All belts	Open
155	Seniors 21-35yrs	All belts	Open
156	Veterans 36-40yrs	All belts	Open
157	Veterans 41yrs & over	All belts	Open

Kobudo: Male Individual

Category	Age Group	Weapons	Belt level
KB001	Children 10 and under	Long Weapons	Open
KB002	Children 10 and under	Short Weapons	Open
KB003	Children 11-12yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB004	Children 11-12yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB005	Children 11-12yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB006	Children 11-12yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB007	Cadets 13-15yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB008	Cadets 13-15yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB009	Cadets 13-15yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB010	Cadets 13-15yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB011	Cadets 16-17yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB012	Cadets 16-17yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB013	Cadets 16-17yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB014	Cadets 16-17yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB015	Seniors 18-35yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB016	Seniors 18-35yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB017	Seniors 18-35yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB018	Seniors 18-35yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB019	Veterans 36-49yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB020	Veterans 36-49yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB021	Veterans 36-49yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB022	Veterans 36-49yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB023	Veterans 50yrs+	Long Weapons	Open
KB024	Veterans 50yrs+	Short Weapons	Open

Kobudo: Female Individual

Category	Age Group	Weapons	Belt level
KB050	Children 10 and under	Long Weapons	Open
KB051	Children 10 and under	Short Weapons	Open
KB052	Children 11-12yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB053	Children 11-12yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB054	Children 11-12yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB055	Children 11-12yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB056	Cadets 13-15yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB057	Cadets 13-15yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB058	Cadets 13-15yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB059	Cadets 13-15yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB060	Cadets 16-17yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB061	Cadets 16-17yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB062	Cadets 16-17yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB063	Cadets 16-17yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB064	Seniors 18-35yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB065	Seniors 18-35yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB066	Seniors 18-35yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB067	Seniors 18-35yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB068	Veterans 36-49yrs	Long Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB069	Veterans 36-49yrs	Short Weapons	10 th Kyu to 6 th Kyu
KB070	Veterans 36-49yrs	Long Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB071	Veterans 36-49yrs	Short Weapons	5 th Kyu to Dan
KB072	Veterans 50yrs+	Long Weapons	Open
KB073	Veterans 50yrs+	Short Weapons	Open

Notes on Kobudo Categories:

- For the WUKF Kobudo Kata List: [WUKF-Kobudo-Kata-List-2025.pdf](#)
- There are no obligatory or forbidden kata from the list of Kobudo kata for the specific rounds.
- In Open Categories and 10th kyu to 6th kyu Categories competitors may repeat the same kata in all rounds and in the event of a tie.
- In 5th Kyu to Dan level Categories competitors must perform a different kata in each round but may repeat in the event of a tie.

Team Kata: Male Children 8-10yrs, 11,12yrs Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
TK001	Children 8-10yrs	All belts	N/A
TK002	Children 11-12yrs	All belts	N/A
TK003	Mini Cadets, Cadets B and Cadets A	All belts	N/A
TK004	Juniors, Seniors & Veterans (21yrs+)	All belts	N/A

Team Kata: Female Children 8-10yrs, 11,12yrs Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
TK011	Children 8-10yrs	All belts	N/A
TK012	Children 11-12yrs	All belts	N/A
TK013	Mini Cadets, Cadets B and Cadets A	All belts	N/A
TK014	Juniors, Seniors & Veterans (21yrs+)	All belts	N/A

**Rotational Shobu Nihon/Sanbon Team Kumite:
Male Children, Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans**

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
R001	Children 8-10yrs (Shobu Nihon)	All belts	Open
R002	Children 11-12yrs (Shobu Nihon)	All belts	Open
R003	Mini Cadets 13yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R004	Cadets B 14-15yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R005	Cadets A 16-17yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R006	Juniors 18-20yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R007	Seniors 21-35yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R008	Veterans 36+ (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open

**Rotational Shobu Nihon/Sanbon Team Kumite:
Female Children, Mini Cadets, Cadets B, Cadets A, Seniors and Veterans**

Category	Age Group	Belt Level	Weight
R011	Children 8-10yrs (Shobu Nihon)	All belts	Open
R012	Children 11-12yrs (Shobu Nihon)	All belts	Open
R013	Mini Cadets 13yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R014	Cadets B 14-15yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R015	Cadets A 16-17yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R016	Juniors 18-20yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R017	Seniors 21-35yrs (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open
R018	Veterans 36+ (Shobu Sanbon)	All belts	Open

Rotational Shobu Ippon Team Kumite: Male Seniors

IT001	Seniors 21-35yrs	All belts	Open
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Rotational Shobu Ippon Team Kumite: Female Seniors

IT011	Seniors 21-35yrs	All belts	Open
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Inclusive Categories: Male Kata

Category	Age group	Belt	Weight
IK001	6-12yrs	Open	Open
IK002	13-17yrs	Open	Open
IK003	18yrs+	Open	Open

Inclusive Categories: Male Combat

Category	Age group	Belt	Weight
ICK001 Kihon (basic)	6-12yrs	Open	Open
ICK002 Kihon (basic)	13-17yrs	Open	Open
ICK003 Kihon (basic)	18yrs+	Open	Open

Inclusive Categories: Female Kata

Category	Age group	Belt	Weight
IK011	6-12yrs	Open	Open
IK012	13-17yrs	Open	Open
IK013	18yrs+	Open	Open

Inclusive Categories: Female Combat

Category	Age group	Belt	Weight
ICK011 Kihon (basic)	6-12yrs	Open	Open
ICK012 Kihon (basic)	13-17yrs	Open	Open
ICK013 Kihon (basic)	18yrs+	Open	Open

The final inclusive categories offered at the Championships will be determined by the entries received. Team managers must submit a video of their inclusive competitors demonstrating a kata to the organiser at garyg@geenet.co.za ahead of the Championships. Coaches must be in possession of hard copy documentation of medical reports at the Championships.

25. Official WUKF Kata Schedule

If your federation is competing at the Championships and practices a style recognised by WUKF but not listed below, please inform the organisers prior to the Championship.

Shotokan-Ryu	Shito-Ryu	Goju-Ryu	Shorin-Ryu
SHITEI	SHITEI	SHITEI	SHITEI
Heian 1-5	Pinan 1-5	Gekisai Dai Ichi Gekisai Dai Ni Saifa	Pinan 1-5 Fukyu Gata 1-2 Naihanchi Shodan
SENTEI	SENTEI	SENTEI	SENTEI
Tekki Shodan	Matsumura no Rohai	Seisan	Wankan
Bassai Dai	Naihanchi Shodan	Seipai	Rohai
Empi	Saifa	Seiunchin	Passai Sho
Kanku Dai	Jiuroku	Shisochin	Passai Dai
Jion	Bassai Dai		Wanshu
Hangetsu	Kosokun Dai		Naihanchi Nidan
	Tomari No Wanshu		Naihanchi Sandan
	Ji'in		Unsu
	Seiunchin		Niseishi
	Wanshu		Jion
	Aoyagi		Jitte
	Miojio		Tomari Passai
			Koryu Passai
			Anaku
TOKUI	TOKUI	TOKUI	TOKUI
Ji'in	Jion	Kururunfa	Gojushiho
Tekki Nidan	Kosokun Sho	Suparimpai	Seisan
Tekki Sandan	Ciatanyara No Kushanku	Sanseru	Kusanku Sho
Gankaku	Sochin (<i>Aragaki ha</i>)		Chinto
Bassai Sho	Matsumura No Bassai		Kushanku Dai
Sochin	Tomari Bassai		Chinti (Chinte)
Kanku Sho	Niseichi		Sochin
Nijushihyo	Sanseiru		Chatanyara Kusanku
Gojushiho Sho	Chinto		Mastsumura Kusanku
Gojushiho Dai	Shisochin		Gorin (additional)
Chinte	Nipaipo		
Unsu	Kururunfa		
Meikyo	Seipai		
Wankan	Seisan		
Jitte	Gojushiho		
	Unshu		
	Suparimpei		
	Anan		
	Jitte		
	Pacho		
	Haiku		
	Paiku		
	Papuren		
	Chibana Kushanku		

26. Summary of Kata Rounds: Children

Category	Belt	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Observation
		Elimination Round	Semi Final Round	Final Round	
Children 7yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 7yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 7yrs	Elite	Shitei	Shitei	Sentei	Must not repeat a kata
Children 8yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 8yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 8yrs	Elite	Shitei	Sentei	Sentei	Must not repeat a kata
Children 9yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 9yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 9yrs	Elite	Shitei	Sentei	Sentei	Must not repeat a kata
Children 10yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 10yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 10yrs	Elite	Shitei	Sentei	Sentei	Must not repeat a kata
Children 11yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 11yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 11yrs	Elite	Shitei	Sentei	Sentei	Must not repeat a kata
Children 12yrs	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Children 12yrs	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Children 12yrs	Elite	Shitei	Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata

The term "Tokui" does not restrict to but also allows competitors to select a kata from the shitei or sentei group of kata on the Official Kata Schedule.
The meaning of "Tokui" is a kata not performed previously.

Summary of Kata Rounds: Mini Cadets, Cadets, Juniors, Seniors, and Veterans

Category	Belt	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Observation
		Elimination Round	Semi Final Round	Final Round	
Mini Cadets	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Mini Cadets	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Mini Cadets	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata
Cadets B	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Cadets B	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Cadets B	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata
Cadets A	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Cadets A	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Cadets A	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sensei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata
Juniors	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Juniors	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Juniors	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata
Seniors	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Seniors	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Seniors	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata
Veterans	Novice	Shitei	Shitei	Shitei	May repeat the same kata in all rounds
Veterans	Intermediate	Shitei	Shitei or Sentei	Shitei or Sentei	May only repeat a kata in a tie situation
Veterans	Elite	Shitei/Sentei	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Shitei/Sentei/Tokui	Must not repeat a kata

The term “tokui” does not restrict to, but also allows competitors to select a kata from the shitei or sentei group of kata on the Official Kata Schedule.

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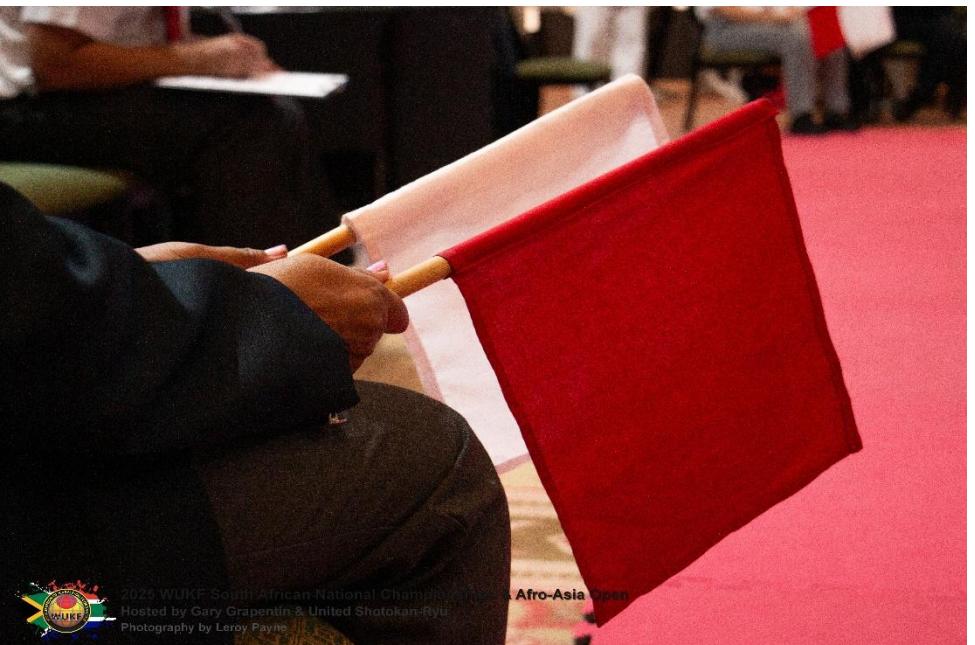
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