



**SPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS  
FEDERATION of WADO-KAI EUROPE  
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# 1. Introduction

Terms used in this document as well as titles and functions apply to both sexes.

This concept includes the sport rules and regulations of the Federation of Wado-Kai Europe, hereinafter referred to FWE, it offers a competitive program and determines the qualifications, as well as the right to participate in the championships organized by the FWE.

Focussing on the desire of the karatekas to compete in a high quality competition and to take part in an attractive sports program, it is essential to recall that Karatedo is a martial art form that does not exhaust itself through winning competitions, but takes intensive training and displays the intellectual content of Karatedo.

## 2. General Regulations

### 2.1 Scope

The following provisions shall prevail for the entire sporting procedure of FWE. All not explicitly regulated areas will be governed by instructions from the FWE sport-commission (organizational areas) as well as the FEW referee commission (referee areas).

### 2.2 Responsibilities

The Hosting Countries of the FWE Championships have to adhere to the rules and regulations stated in this concept. For support they may be accompanied by an administrator designated by them. All official FWE tournaments are under the supervision of the FWE sport-commission.

### 2.3 Anti-Doping Regulations

Participants agree to comply with the applicable international doping regulations. With registration, participants confirm that they are subjecting themselves to the doping regulations of FWE. Checks may be conducted at each tournament.

### 2.4 Liability

The participants are themselves responsible for adequate insurance coverage. The organizer and the FWE can under no circumstances be held liable. By registering, the participants and the responsible head of the delegation confirm that they are physically as well as mentally healthy and compete in the tournament with ease.

### 2.5 Official FWE Events

Considered official events:

- FWE WADO-KAI European Cup

## 3. Sportorganization

### 3.1 Tender

For all FWE events, that are covered by these sport regulations, the sport commission of FWE will be in charge of the announcement and invitation.

All official information and documents for the participating countries will be sent by the FEW secretary.

In the case of changes to these rules, they must be published no later than 12 weeks before the tournament.

### 3.2 Registration Deadlines

1 week prior to competition.

### 3.3 Draw

The draw will take place 1 day before the tournament. At the tournament, the finalists of the team events of the previous year will be set automatically.

If less than 8 competitors are registered in a category, the competitors will automatically be reallocated to the next higher weight category. If less than 8 competitors are registered in the highest category, they will automatically be reallocated to the next lower category.

### 3.4 Ceremony

If a medallist cannot attend the ceremony, he or the coach must obtain the authorization of the technical commission. They should decide whether the reason given is sufficient. During the ceremony a correct Dress code is required (karate-gi or training suit). Failure to comply with the regulation can lead to sanctions against the offending athletes. (e.g. withdrawal of medals). In case of recurrence, the athlete will be banned for the next FWE tournament.

### 3.5 Publication on [www.wadokai.eu](http://www.wadokai.eu)

- Invitation to all members (countries) 12 weeks before the championship
- Application deadline 2 week before the championship
- Schedule: 1 week before the championship
- Rankings: 48 hours after the competition

The Organiser is responsible for obtaining the proper charts as well as the distribution of the correct ranking lists to the FWE so they can publish them on the official FWE Website.

### 3.6 Tournament Materials for Shobu competitions

For Shobu competitions, which are held as an official FWE event, the following equipment must be available:

- 6 Tatamis (600 m2)
- electronic billboards (6 pcs)
- red and blue referee flags(30 per each colour)
- 2 calibrated scales
- WADO list of Katas
- writing pads and pens
- Stop clocks
- Forms for Referees
- 2-3 time and score keeper per tatami
- Computer and screen on each tatami for the correct use of „sportdata“.
- Medical Staff: at least 2 doctors and 3-4 paramedics
- Security staff to control access to competition area
- Printer and paper

## 4. Participation conditions

### 4.1 Eligibility for Participation

Only Karatekas who are members of the national Wadokai association, member (or guest ) of the FWE, are allowed to participate in all FWE events.

Per individual category 2 athletes are eligible to compete, as well as 1 team per country. Exceptions : please refer to the chart published at [www.wadokai.lu](http://www.wadokai.lu).

The following items need to be attached to the registration:

- Name, first name and birth date
- Dojoname

The athletes have to compete for the country they were registered by.

### 4.2 Eligibility for Coaches

Only persons with a valid, official FWE coach card are allowed to enter the competition area. Other persons are not allowed in the competition area. Dress code: Karate Gi or track suit. One coach for every 5 participants is permitted, maximum of 6 coaches are allowed. The coach card is to be worn visibly.

### 4.3 Eligibility for Referees

Every country is obliged to provide at least two referees. (An exception may be considered regarding countries attending the tournament with a small team)

To ensure a fair competition at a high level, it is important that the referees are well trained.

The qualifications of the referees must be the following:

At least one referee EKF / WKF, the second referee could be a member of national All-Style Organisation. In Kata referees with high technical experience are required (at least 4th Dan).

Referees must be able to provide an official referee licence of their country if asked by the referee commission.

### 4.4 Age group and minimum grade

For the Shobu Championships the age solely refers to the date of birth.

#### Categories individual kumite and kata

Categories	Gender	Kata	Kumite	Age
U14 Minimes	F+M	X	X	11-13
U16 Cadets	F+M	X	X	14-15
U18 Juniors	F+M	X	X	16-17
U21	F+M	X	X	18+19+20
Seniors +21	F+M	X	X	+21

#### Categories Team Kata and Kumite

Categories	Gender	Team	Age
U14 Minimes	F+M	Kata	11-13
U16 Cadets	F+M	Kata	14-15
U18 Juniors+ U21 +Seniors	F+M	Kata	16+
U18 Juniors	F+M	Kumite	16-17
U21 +Seniors	F+M	Kumite	+18

## 4.5 Dual participations

The following rules & regulations apply for dual participations.

- NO dual participations are allowed in weight or age categories.
- Exception: in Kata (please refer to chart published at [www.sportdata.eu.9](http://www.sportdata.eu.9))

## 4.6 Registration

Registration with weight control finishes at 16 am.

Registration for FWE championships have to include the following:

- Official registration list
- Name and date of birth of the Competitors
- Name and date of birth of the official coaches
- Name and date of birth of the official referees
- Copies of the receipts for the Entry fees. (The fees have to be paid to the host – in case a bank transfer is required a copy of the receipt has to be presented).
- Online registrations of athletes only through [www.sportdata.org](http://www.sportdata.org)

## 4.7 Entry Fees

The Entry Fees have to be paid before registration.

Individual Minimes / Cadets/ Juniors / Seniors	Euro	15.-
Team Kata	Euro	30.-
Team kumite female	Euro	30.-
Team Kumite male	Euro	50.-

Prices can be discussed and changed by sport-commission in agreement with administration committee.

All entry fees for competitors registered through "Sportdata" have to be paid, even if the competitor does not show up.

## 4.8 Penalties

Athletes and accompanying persons who received a shikkaku during an official FWE event, which is confirmed by the technical committee, are automatically banned for FWE championships for the following year. In the case of recurrence, the board will decide, after consultation with the Technical Commission, if a multi-annual ban or exclusion from the FWE is appropriate. The organiser (OC-President) may expel athletes, coaches, escorts and spectators if they do not abide to the instructions of the OC or the security services. In a serious violation case, the ban, if confirmed by the sport-commission can be issued for one year for all tournaments within the FWE. In case of repetition the board will decide on a multi-ban or an exclusion from the FWE. Regarding threats and / or violence towards referees, officials and athletes the FWE reserves the right to take legal measures.

## 4.9 Protests

Protests must be presented in writing and justified towards the referee in charge of the championship. A deposit of 200.-€ has to be paid in advance. If the protest is approved, the amount will be refunded.

## 4.10 Medical certificates

For the FWE tournaments no medical certificate is required. By registering, the athlete and the responsible coach confirm that the participant is physically / mentally healthy and can compete in the tournament with ease.

## 4.11 Photographers

Photographers will need an official authorization from the FWE (for the field of competition areas). They may not hinder the competition at any time, especially organizers, referees, coaches, officials or athletes.

## 5. Sport program

### 5.1 Regulations

The championship is subject to WKF Rules. Nevertheless special regulations are subject to proposals from the FWE sport-commission. Please refer to chart published at [www.wadokai.eu](http://www.wadokai.eu).

### 5.2 Categories

If less than 8 competitors are registered in a category, the competitors will automatically be reallocated to the next higher weight category. If less than 8 competitors are registered in the highest category, they will automatically be reallocated to the next lower category.

#### **FOR AGE AND WEIGHT CATEGORIES THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT ( FWE CATEGORIES) IS VALID**

The weigh tolerance is

+ / - 1000 grams for U14, U16 and U18, Minimes, Cadets and Juniors

+ / - 500 grams, for 18 + seniors.

A re-weighing is permitted if it was announced before the final weighing. The weighing time is observed in accordance with regulations. Competitors, who show up after the final weighing, are not entitled to start. The organiser is responsible for the organisation of the weighing. 2 women and 2 men need to be available. The weighing must be done with a calibrated accurate scale!

An official WKF or EKF Referee must be present at weighing!

If a competitor does not have the correct weight for the registered weight category, he can be transferred in a lower or higher weight category. Transfer cost: 15€ (same as entry fee)

In case the country has already registered 2 competitors in this category (3 competitors for U14 and U16), the countries coach decides who competes.

All transfer costs 10€.

### 5.3 Rules in addition to WKF

Rules in addition to WKF rules in Kata:

The Pinan Katas can be performed.

### 5.4 Tatami chief Referee

The task of the Tatami chief is to ensure that the competition will be conducted on the competition area as fair as possible. So he has to ensure that only referees are used, which are not from the competitor's country. Similarly, with the specific use of the referees, personal interests concerning the competition rounds are not permitted.



## 6. Regulations for the host / organizer

### 6.1 Schedules

The sections and their members are encouraged to schedule their events so that it does not have scheduling conflicts with the events of the EKF and WKF.

If possible the European Wado Cup will be hold on the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of November (highly recommended)

### 6.2 Tournament procedure for the FWE WADO-KAI European Cup

The tournament will be conducted in 1 day (Saturday).

The expiration of the categories is as follows:

One day event
Individual Kata Pre-finals, Repechage and final matches for Minimes, Cadets ,Juniors ,U21and Seniors
Team Kata Pre-finals, Repechage and final matches for Minimes/Cadets and Juniors/Seniors
Kata Medal ceremony ( all categories)
Opening ceremony
Individual Kumite, Pre-finals, Repechage and Final matches Minimes and Cadets
Kumite Medal Ceremony (Minimes and Cadets)
Individual Kumite, Pre-finals, Repechage and Final matches Juniors ,U21 and Seniors
Kumite Medal Ceremonies (Juniors,U21 and Seniors)
Team Kumite Pre-Finals, Repechage and Final matches (Juniors,U21 and Seniors)
Kumite Team Medal Ceremonies for Teams

Due to the number of competitors or other items concerning the good organisation of the competition, the schedule can be changed by the organizing country with the permission of the sport-commission.

### 6.3 WADO-KAI European Cup victory ceremonies

The procedure of the award ceremony is set uniformly by a member of the organization.

People involved in the medal handover must be dressed appropriately.

Competitors must wear karate-gi or national training suit.

### 6.4 Awards

Individual competition: Cup for the winner, medals for 2<sup>nd</sup> +3<sup>rd</sup> ranks

Team Competition: Cup for the winner team, medals for the competitors of the teams, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> +3<sup>rd</sup> ranks