



2022 USA Open Karate Championships & Junior International Cup



Referee Course

USA Karate will host a Referee course on Thursday, April 14th. Attendees will review the latest WKF rules.

USA Karate Referee/Judge Certification

USA Karate will host a Referee/Judge certification course on Thursday, April 14th. Domestic attendees will be issued certifications up to USA Karate Kumite Referee A and Kata Judge A. More information including schedules will be available at usakarateopen.com

Registration is available online and all participating Referees and Judges are required to register in advance.

USA Karate, PKF or WKF officials with Kata and Kumite A licenses, may participate in the course at no cost.

Referee/Judge Certification Fee (Covers both Courses): \$200
Course Audit Fee (no Certification): \$50

On-site course registration fee \$100

Referees who choose not to participate in the certification courses, but are attending the championships, are required to register online at usakarateopen.com

PLEASE NOTE: All domestic Officials must be a current member of USA Karate and have met the conditions of membership (SafeSport Training & NCSI Background Check).

All International Officials are required to complete SafeSport™ Training. To complete this training visit usankf.sport80.com and create an account. From that account you can click on the US Center for SafeSport Training. Training is valid for one year.



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Referee Course Schedule Thursday, April 14, 2022

*USA karate will not allow any official to officiate if they are not in compliance with regulations and/or are not up to date with their membership, SafeSport™ Training, and background screen

*International Officials will be required to complete SafeSport™ Training

*No PKF/WKF officials will be allowed to coach if they want to represent USA Karate at international competitions in 2022 as an official.

* No candidate for license can coach during any signature event regardless of license.

8:30AM – 9:00 AM	Check-in, Submit referee books
9:00 AM – 9:50 AM	Lecture (rules of Kata Competition)
9:50 AM – 10:00 AM	Break
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Lecture (Rules of Kumite Competition)
11:00AM – 11:15 AM	Break
11:15AM – 12:00 PM	Kata & Kumite Written Test (license candidates only)
11:15AM – 12:00 PM	Kumite Video Review analyze/Kata tablet review (AA and Int'l officials only)
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch Break
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM	Kata examination (Video)
1:45 PM- 2:00 PM	Break
2:00 PM- 2:50 PM	Hand and flag signals/Practice matches (Kumite)
2:50 PM - 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Practical Examination (Kumite)
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Result of examination

Important:

Ongoing evaluation throughout the tournament will continue and all of candidates will receive the certification at the end of the championship.

USA Karate Referee A license, PKF/WKF officials are exempt of taking written test to renew their license but must participate at the lecture of the rules of competition.

6:00PM

Briefing (Mandatory for all officials)