



WORLD  
**TRADITIONAL  
KARATEDO**  
CHAMPIONSHIPS

VRSAR, CROATIA, 21-25 OCTOBER 2026



## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

**Sanctioned by: World Traditional Karate-Do Union (WTKU)**

**Tournament venue: VRSAR SALT HALL, Petalon 1F, 52450 Vrsar, Croatia**

**Date: 22-23 October, 2026**

## II. PARTICIPANTS

All athletes that are selected by the respective WTKU member National Federations to compete must fulfil the following conditions:

**WTKU member, an international organization and representative national federation has the right to send their own competitors to each category. If national federation is for example member of more WTKU members, only 1 team based on limits in categories (2 individual athletes, 1 kata team etc...) is allowed.**

1. In pre cadets, cadets and juniors categories competitors must have brown belt, issued by national federation or registered black belt (Shodan or higher).  
**Brown belts are ONLY allowed for pre cadets, cadets and juniors. In order to compete in youth and senior groups black belt is required.**
2. Age in agreement with their competition category.
3. Competitors must know, fully understand and be able to compete in accordance with the WTKU competition rules.
4. Competitors must be free of any physical or mental handicap that might cause a breach of the WTKU rules.
5. KUMITE (KO-GO and JIYU) and FUKU-GO athletes are obliged to have mouth (teeth) guards  
(breast-protection for women, groin protector for men are optional, but recommended safety equipment).
6. Competitors must have his/her own international traveling insurance and also personal accident insurance issued by their respective national federations.
7. Competitors must present Medical Release and international health insurance to medical emergencies.

### III. COMPETITION RULES

#### WTKU COMPETITION RULES

##### NEW - 2026:

a) Due to the presence of multiple karate styles in the competition, whose kata do not always begin and end at the same position, the so-called ENBUSEN will not be applied in judging (this also applies to Shotokan competitors), except for the compulsory KITEI kata, where adherence to the enbusen will be required.

b) Pre cadets kumite (inc. teams categories): In the event of a tie (hikiwake), no extension bout (ketteisen) will be held in any elimination or semifinal matches. An extension bout (ketteisen) will be applied only in the final match.

### IV. CATEGORIES & NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

AGE DIVISIONS				
Pre cadets	Cadets	Juniors	Youths	Seniors
born in 2014, 2013	born in 2012, 2011	born in 2010, 2009	born in 2008, 2007, 2006	born in 2005 and earlier

PRE CADETS		
CATEGORIES	Number of athletes/teams per national federation	Remarks
<b>Men's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	In the eliminations and semifinals round, the athlete may choose their preferred kata from the following list (Shitei kata): Bassai Dai, Jion, Enpi, Kanku Dai, Seienchin, Juroku, Matsukaze, Seipai, Taiji Shodan, Setsu, Kaminari, Washi No Mai

		In the final rounds, different kata (Tokui -any kata) must be performed.
<b>Women's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	In the eliminations and semifinals round, the athlete may choose their preferred kata from the following list (Shitei kata): Bassai Dai, Jion, Enpi, Kanku Dai, Seienchin, Juroku, Matsukaze, Seipai, Taiji Shodan, Setsu, Kaminari, Washi No Mai  In the final rounds, different kata (Tokui - any kata) must be performed.
<b>Men's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite
<b>Women's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite
<b>Men's kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite
<b>Women's kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite
<b>Men's Synchronized Kata NEW!</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team Single KATA is required. Bunkai in finals.
<b>Women's Synchronized Kata NEW!</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team Single KATA is required. Bunkai in finals.
<b>Men's En-Bu NEW!</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>Women's En-Bu NEW!</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>Mixed En-Bu NEW!</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team

<b>Men's Team Kumite NEW!</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Ko-Go Kumite
<b>Women's Team Kumite NEW!</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Ko-Go Kumite

NOTE1: PRECADETS CANNOT BE MEMBERS OF TEAMS IN THE CADETS OR JUNIORS CATEGORIES!

<b>CADETS</b>		
<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Number of athletes/teams per national federation</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>Men's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	
<b>Women's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	
<b>Men's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
<b>Women's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
<b>Men's kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
<b>Women's kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
<b>Men's Synchronized Kata</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team
<b>Women's Synchronized Kata</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team
<b>Men's En-Bu</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>Women's En-Bu NEW!</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team

Mixed En-Bu	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>JUNIORS</b>		
CATEGORIES	Number of athletes/teams per national federation	Remarks
Men's Individual Kata	2 athletes	
Women's Individual Kata	2 athletes	
Men's Individual Kumite	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
Women's Individual Kumite	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
Men's Fuku-Go	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
Women's Fuku-Go	2 athletes	Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
Men's Synchronized Kata	1 team	3 athletes in team  Team can be composed of at least one junior athlete, others can be cadets.  <b>REMARK:</b> cadet/junior athletes can participate <b>ONLY ONCE in the same competition category</b> . For example: if an athlete participates in cadets team kata, she/he cannot participate in youth team kata.
Women's Synchronized Kata	1 team	3 athletes in team

		<p>Team can be composed of at least one junior athlete, others can be cadets.</p> <p><b>REMARK:</b> cadet/junior athletes can participate <b>ONLY ONCE in the same competition category</b>. For example: if an athlete participates in cadets team kata, she/he cannot participate in youth team kata.</p>
<b>Men's En-bu</b>	1 team	<p>2 athletes in team</p> <p>Team can be composed of at least one junior athlete, others can be cadets.</p> <p><b>REMARK:</b> cadet/junior athletes can participate <b>ONLY ONCE in the same competition category</b>. For example: If athlete participates in En-Bu man/man CADET's category he cannot participate in En-Bu man/man YOUTH category.</p>
<b>Women's En-bu NEW!</b>	1 team	<p>2 athletes in team</p> <p>Team can be composed of at least one junior athlete, others can be cadets.</p> <p><b>REMARK:</b> cadet/junior athletes can participate <b>ONLY ONCE in the same competition category</b>. For example: If athlete participates in En-Bu man/man CADET's category he cannot participate in En-Bu man/man YOUTH category.</p>

<b>Mixed En-bu</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team  Team can be composed of at least one junior athlete, others can be cadets.  <b>REMARK:</b> cadet/junior athletes can participate <b>ONLY ONCE in the same competition category</b> . For example: If athlete participates in mixed En-Bu CADET's category she/he cannot participate in mixed En-Bu YOUTH category.
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### COMBINED COMPETITION CADETS + JUNIORS

CATEGORIES	Number of teams per national federation	Remarks
<b>Men's Team Kumite</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>
<b>Women's Team Kumite</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Ko-Go Kumite, <b>in the final: JIYU KUMITE.</b>

### YOUTHS

CATEGORIES	Number of athletes/teams per national federation	Remarks
<b>Men's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	
<b>Women's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	

<b>Men's Individual Kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Women's Individual Kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Men's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Women's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite

### SENIORS

CATEGORIES	Number of athletes/teams per national federation	Remarks
<b>Men's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	
<b>Women's Individual Kata</b>	2 athletes	
<b>Men's Individual Kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Women's Individual Kumite</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Men's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Women's Fuku-Go</b>	2 athletes	Using Jiyu Kumite

### COMBINED COMPETITION YOUTHS + SENIORS

<b>Men's Synchronized Kata</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team
<b>Women's Synchronized Kata</b>	1 team	3 athletes in team
<b>Men's En-Bu</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>Women's En-Bu <span style="color: red;">NEW!</span></b>	1 team	2 athletes in team
<b>Mixed En-Bu</b>	1 team	2 athletes in team

<b>Women's Team Kumite</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Jiyu Kumite
<b>Men's Team Kumite</b>	1 team	3 athletes + 1 Using Jiyu Kumite

## V. APPLICATIONS & REGISTRATION

### A. Registration

All registrations are to be done ONLINE. **We will provide the link on September 15, 2026.**

For proper registration all application forms MUST include:

1. Details of all officials, coaches, judges, photographers.
2. Details of all athletes including respective competing categories.
3. **Deadline!!!** All registrations must be completed by October 4, 2026.

Important Notes: Any application sent after the deadline above shall still be processed, however with double athlete participation fees applied.

### B. Participation Fee

All fees must be paid only via bank transfer **until October 8, 2026**. Based on your payment we will issue an invoice.

#### Bank account:

World Traditional Karatedo Union, Osowska 82, 04351 Warsaw, Poland

Account number: PL98105019531000009032890510

Swift: INGBPLPW

<p><b>Athletes:</b></p> <p>70 EUR per first individual category per athlete</p> <p>20 EUR per second individual category per athlete</p> <p>20 EUR per third individual category per athlete</p> <p>60 EUR per team</p>	<p><b>Coaches:</b></p> <p>One official coach per 10 athletes from 1 team is free of charge.</p> <p>For each additional coach the respective national delegation is obliged to pay 50 EUR registration. Only registered coaches shall be allowed on the competition floor.</p>
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	<b>Photographers:</b> One photographer per national team is allowed and is free of charge.
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## VI. JUDGES

We kindly ask all national federation to provide **min 5 judges** for all days of competitions.

1. **Selection of the Judges will be made during the WTKU Judges´ Refresher Course held right before the event.**
2. Each judge candidate must submit the online registration by **October 4, 2026**.
3. All Judges must bring their own HAKAMA (black), whistle and clean KARATE-GI including white KARATE-GI top.

## VII. CONTACT INFORMATION

If we could be of any further assistance or if you have any further questions, please don´t hesitate and contact us through e-mail [secretary@wtku.org](mailto:secretary@wtku.org). Updated information regarding the Championships can also be found on <https://www.wtku.org/>

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

**We are looking forward to seeing you in Croatia.**