



WORLD  
**TRADITIONAL  
KARATEDO**  
CHILDREN'S CUP 2026

VRSAR, CROATIA, 21-25 OCTOBER 2026



## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

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

**Date: 24-25 October, 2026**

## II. PARTICIPANTS

1. Participants must actively practice traditional Karate-Do and be able to compete within the categories outlined in this document in accordance with WTKU Competition Rules.
2. The number of participating athletes/teams from any given national federation is unlimited.
3. In case of insufficient number of contestants for a particular category (minimum is 8 athletes in category) the corresponding category shall be merged with another category of similar age or grade.
4. Coaches are responsible for their respective team members and must be able to present a corresponding valid international insurance for each team member.
5. KUMITE A, B, C, D athletes are NOT obliged to have mouth (teeth) guards, breast-protection for women, groin protector for men. Athletes have to control distance. Any contact will be strictly penalized by hansoku.

## III. CATEGORIES

### KATA

FLAG SYSTEM JUDGING: Performed in pairs by flag-system judging (two athletes perform kata given by the main judge at the same time). Main judge announces any HEIAN/PINAN KATA NAME, but not higher than the lowest rank of athlete on tatami (kyu or Dan).

EXAMPLE: 8th kyu athlete competes with 7th kyu athlete → judge is ought to announce Heian Shodan KATA, not higher.

POINT SCORING SYSTEM JUDGING: Athletes perform kata one by one. Order of participants is determined by point scoring. The higher the score, the higher the athlete's placement.

**NEW: 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).**

## KUMITE

For kumite please watch official WTKU online videos with explanation:

KIHON IPPON KUMITE - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPEQzzQbOPc&t=3s>

JIYU IPPON KUMITE - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w6vdxXOtTM&t=99s>

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
born in 2019 and later	born in 2018, 2017	born in 2016, 2015	born in 2014, 2013

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
Boys' Ind. Kata Girls' Ind. Kata All: Kihon Ippon Kumite  in groups: 9 - 8 kyu 7 kyu 6 and higher kyu	Boys' Ind. Kata Girls' Ind. Kata All: Kihon Ippon Kumite  in groups: 9 - 8 kyu 7 kyu 6 kyu 5 - 4 kyu 3 kyu – dan	Boys' Ind. Kata Girls' Ind. Kata Kumite by kyu below.  in groups: 9 - 8 kyu (Kihon Ippon) 7 kyu (Kihon Ippon) 6 kyu (Jiyu Ippon) 5 - 4 kyu (Jiyu Ippon) 3 kyu – dan (Jiyu Ippon)	Boys' Ind. Kata Girls' Ind. Kata Kumite by kyu below.  in groups: 9 - 8 kyu (Kihon Ippon) 7 kyu (Kihon Ippon) 6 kyu (Jiyu Ippon) 5 - 4 kyu (Jiyu Ippon) 3 kyu – dan (Jiyu Ippon)
<b>TEAM CATEGORIES Group A + Group B</b>		<b>TEAM CATEGORIES Group C + Group D</b>	
The Team Kata can be mixed gender.  If the highest kyu in your Team Kata or Enbu belongs to the higher category, your team will have to compete in the higher category.		Girls' Team Kata/Boys' Team Kata  If the highest kyu in your Team Kata or Enbu belongs to the higher category, your team will have to compete in the higher category.	

<p>Team Kata in 3 groups:</p> <p>9 - 7 kyu, 6 - 4 kyu, 3 kyu – dan</p> <p>En-bu in groups:</p> <p>Mixed En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu (girl-boy), Mixed En-Bu 3 kyu - dan (girl-boy) Boys' En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu, Boys' En-Bu 3 kyu – dan Womens' En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu, <b>NEW!</b> Womens' En-Bu 3 kyu – dan <b>NEW!</b></p>	<p>Team Kata in 3 groups:</p> <p>9 - 7 kyu, 6 - 4 kyu, 3 kyu - dan</p> <p>En-bu in groups:</p> <p>Mixed En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu (girl - boy), Mixed En-Bu 3 kyu - dan (girl - boy) Boys' En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu, Boys' En-Bu 3 kyu – dan Womens' En-Bu 6 - 4 kyu, <b>NEW!</b> Womens' En-Bu 3 kyu – dan <b>NEW!</b></p>
<p>KATA A, B</p> <p>Elimination, semi-final, final: HEIAN/PINAN KATA. Flag system judging.</p>	<p>KATA C, D</p> <p>Elimination, semi-final, final for all groups except group "3 kyu – dan": Flag system judging.</p> <p>Elimination for group 3 kyu - dan: Flag system judging. <b>In the elimination round, the athlete may choose their preferred kata from the following list (Shitei kata): Bassai Dai, Jion, Kanku Dai, Enpi, Seienchin, Seipai, Juroku, Matsukaze, Taiji Shodan, Setsu, Kaminari, Washi No Mai.</b></p> <p>Semi-final and Final for Group 3rd Kyu – Dan: TOKUI KATA (Athletes may choose any preferred kata)</p> <p>In the semi-final and final rounds, different katas must be performed.</p>

	Group 3 kyu - dan (C and D) in semi-finals and finals - point scoring system judging.
<p>TEAM KATA A+B</p> <p>Single KATA is required. Flag system judging. NO Repechage system.</p> <p>In finals (9-7 kyu) – bunkai is NOT required. In finals (6-4 kyu) – bunkai is required. In finals (3 kyu - dan) – bunkai is required.</p> <p>ENBU A+B</p> <p>Flag-system judging system. NO Repechage system. There will not be a gong sound at 55th and 65th seconds; there will be a penalty for exceeding the time limit.</p>	<p>TEAM KATA C+D</p> <p>Single KATA is required. Flag system judging. NO Repechage system.</p> <p>In finals (9-7 kyu) – bunkai is NOT required. In finals (6-4 kyu) – bunkai is required. In finals (3 kyu - dan) – bunkai is required.</p> <p>ENBU C+D</p> <p>Flag-system judging system. NO Repechage system. There will not be a gong sound at 55th and 65th seconds; there will be a penalty for exceeding the time limit.</p>

## IV. 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> 40 EUR per first individual category per athlete 20 EUR per second individual category per athlete 50 EUR per team ENBU 60 EUR per KATA TEAM</p>	<p><b>Coaches:</b> One official coach per 10 athletes from 1 team is free of charge. 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. <b>Photographers:</b> One photographer 50 EUR.</p>
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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.**