

USA Karate National Office
1631 Mesa Avenue, Suite A
Colorado Springs, CO 80906



Where Olympic Journeys Begin

USA KARATE ANTI DOPING POLICY

As the National Governing Body for the sport of Karate in the United States, USA KARATE adopts the following Anti-Doping Policy.

1. Jurisdiction. Any athlete, coach, athlete support personnel, or other person included within the scope of the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (“Protocol”), who participates in the activities or affairs of USA KARATE, is subject to the rules, policies, and procedures set forth in the USADA Protocol, and will submit, without reservation or condition, to the jurisdiction of USADA for the resolution of any alleged violations of those rules, policies, or procedures, as they may be amended from time to time.

2. Duties Associated with Anti-Doping. It is the duty of all Athletes, Athlete Support Personnel and other Persons (as those terms are defined in the World-Anti Doping Code), by virtue of their participation in the Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American, Parapan American or Youth Olympic Games, participation in an event or competition organized or sanctioned by USA KARATE, participation on a national team, utilization of a USOPC Training Center, receipt of benefits from the USOPC or USA KARATE, inclusion in the Registered Testing Pool, or otherwise subject to the World Anti-Doping Code to comply with all anti-doping rules of WADA, World Karate Federation, the USOPC, and of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), including the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (USADA Protocol) and all other policies and rules adopted by WADA, World Karate Federation, USA KARATE and USADA. If it is determined that an Athlete, Athlete Support Personnel, or other Person may have committed a doping violation, the individual agrees to submit to the results management authority and processes of USADA, including arbitration under the USADA Protocol, or to the results management authority of World Karate Federation, if applicable or referred by USADA. In addition, Athletes agree to submit to drug testing by USA KARATE, the World Karate Federation and/or USADA or their designees at any time and understand that the use of methods or substances prohibited by the applicable anti-doping rules make them subject to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and suspension.

3. Enforcement of an Anti-Doping Sanction. In the event that WADA, World Karate Federation, USA KARATE or USADA or any other anti-doping organization with jurisdiction over the athlete, coach, athlete support personnel, or other person issues a determination of an anti-doping violation, USA KARATE shall enforce the sanction imposed by such determination. USA KARATE shall ensure that such athlete, coach, athlete support personnel, or other person has been adequately notified of such determination and that the terms and conditions of the sanction are enforced at all levels under the jurisdiction of USA KARATE in accordance with the sanction.