

Where Olympic Journeys Begin

USA National Karate-do Federation National Championships & Team Trials Referee Course and Evaluation Schedule



Wednesday, July 12, 2023

8:30am - 9:00am	Officials check-in and submission of referee books to Referee Certification Committee
9:00am – 10:00am	Kumite lecture
10:00am - 10:10am	Break
10:10am - 10:40am	Kata lecture
10:40am - 11:00am	Time reserved for Questions and Answers
11:00am - 11:15am	Break
11:15am - 12:00pm	Officials gestures/flags training (for all Officials under USA AA)
11:15am – 12:00pm	USA AA and International Officials video review & Kata tablet training. Tatami Manager Training
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Lunch break
1:00pm - 2:00pm	USA Sr. National Team & USA Coaching Staff collaborative training with ALL officials
2:00pm - 4:00pm	Kumite and Kata Practical Examinations – Certification Committee
4:00pm - 5:50pm	MANDATORY for all committee members, officials and coaches: USOPC Training
5:50pm - 6:00pm	Break
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Briefing: MANDATORY for all officials

Important:

All officials who are testing must complete their written exams online. Please make sure to bring a copy of your test results to be presented to the Certification Committee. If you are testing for a license at any signature event, you need to be available at all times for evaluation and, therefore, coaching during the event is not permitted. The results for those who tested will be given upon the conclusion of the tournament.

USA Karate Kata Judge A and Kumite Referee A, PKF, and WKF officials are exempt from taking the written test(s). To maintain a national license, Officials are required to attend one seminar per year and must attend and participate as an Official in at least one signature event a year.

All Officials wishing to participate at PKF or WKF events on behalf of USA Karate must participate in the prior two signature events or they will not receive authorization from USA Karate. Exemptions are available for good cause, with documentation.

PKF and WKF officials who will be officiating at the Nationals are not permitted to coach during this event.





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NOTE All Officials participating in the Nationals MUST:

- Have a current USA Karate Membership
- Be current with their Safe Sport Training (annually)
- Have a current Background Screening (valid for two years)
- Must review and sign Official's Code of Conduct (annually as well as at the tournament)
- Must review and sign Conflict of Interest Disclosure (annually)