Championship Events

National Championships 2018-Stage 1 (China) 11-16 April 2018 EAKF Cadet, Junior & Snr Championships (Korea) 21-22 April 2018 17th AKF Cadet, Junior & U21 Championships (Japan) 10-13 May 2018 15th AKF Senior Championships (Jordan) 10-14 July 2018 24th WKF Senior Championships (Spain) 6-11 November

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Selection 1 will be a single selection for both events will be held at HKSI on Sun 11 March

- Athletes have be placed into 3 groups:
- Group 1 Optional Elite A+, A, B+ & B Athletes
- Group 2 Elite C, Senior & Junior Athletes
- Group 3 Open to Potential, Preliminary and Feeder Athletes

The winner of each category will be selected for both events

#### 15th AKF Senior Championships (Jordan) 10-14 July 2018

Selection 2 for the Senior AKF will be held at HKSI on Sun 29 April

Athletes will have to qualify for selection 2:

Elite A+, A, B+ & B Athletes (automatic entry)

Top 3 athletes/teams in groups 2 & 3 from selection 1 (including Snr male/female team kata)

Selected individual athletes for the Okinawa AKF championships will also be eligible to select for senior places

# 24th WKF Senior Championships (Spain) 6-11 November

Selection 3 for the Snr WKF will be held at HKSI on Sun 9 Sept

Athletes will have to qualify for selection 2:

**Eligible Athletes** 

Elite A+, A & B+ athletes will be eligible for selection for event 3

Top 2 athletes from groups 2, 3 & Elite B from selection event 2

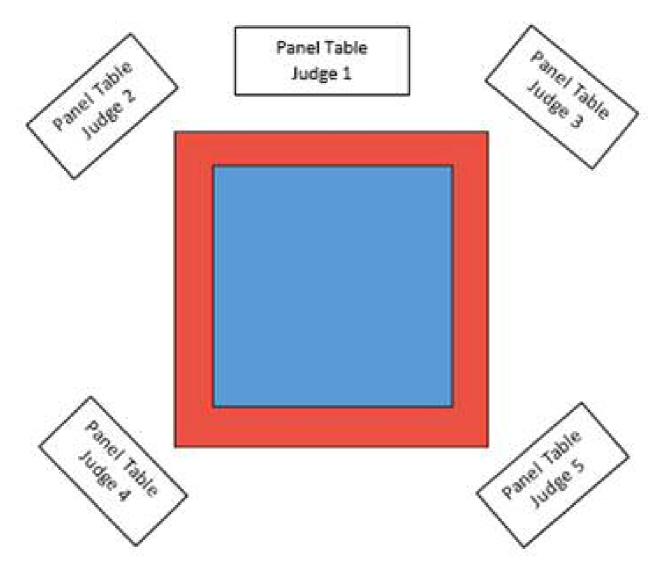
#### **Kata Selection**

Kata will be judged according to the WKF judging criterion:

- of stances, technique, transitional movements, timing, synchronization (team kata), correct breathing, focus, difficulty of techniques performed.
- > Athletes will select two Kata's from the official WKF Kata list that they intend to perform.
- > They must inform the official table prior to the start of their selection Category.
- The judging panel will consist of 1/2 coaches and 3/4 referees
- 'The Chief Judge will sit in the centre position facing the contestants and the other four Judges will be seated at the corners of the competition area'.
   WKF Rules 2018
- The score sheets will then be collected at the end of each individual Kata by a designated person who will add up the scores
- The athlete with the highest score will be selected

#### Team Kata

- > Team Kata will follow the same criteria as individual athletes
- Selection event 1 is open to All NSA members/Teams (both new and existing)
- Athletes who have individual ETG scholarship status are eligible to take part in the team kata selection but their individual status cannot transfer to the team status.
- > Therefore, to progress to the second selection event (Snr AKF) they would have to finish in the top 3
- Then to be eligible for the WKF World Championship selection event they would have to finish in the top 2



#### Kumite Weight Control

All kumite athletes will be weighed prior to selecting. A weight allowance of 2kg over the weight of the category being selected for.

Example:

- Male kumite -67kg male kumite. Lower limit 60kg / Upper limit 69kg (69.1kg will fail the weigh-in and athlete given 1 hour to lose 0.1kg)
- Note: athlete cannot be lighter than weight class selecting for.
- All kumite matches will follow the latest WKF Kumite rules and regulations
- The kumite selection will be based on the round robin system
- > In the event of two athletes drawing, one extra match will decide the winner.
- > If 3 athletes draw then a further 3 match round robin will decide the winner.
- In the rare occasion of a draw at the end of the extra bouts the winner will be selected by the total amount of points scored

Name	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Total points	Total wins	Results
Athlete A Group 3	Lose	Lose	Lose	Lose	3	0	5 <sup>th</sup> place
Athlete B Group 2	Win	Win	Win	Win	16	4	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Eligible for selection event 2
Athlete C Group 2	Win	Lose	Win	Lose	2	2	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Eligible for selection event 2
Athlete D Group 3	Lose	Lose	Win	Lose	4	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Place Eligible for selection event 2
Athlete Group 1	Win	Win	Lose	Win	18	3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Eligible for selection event 2

# Kumite selection Two athletes are present

- The two competitors will compete in a 'best of 3' match decision. The athlete with two wins will be selected.
- > i.e. the first athletes to two wins two matches will be selected.

# Example

Athlete A	WIN	LOSE	WIN	2 wins - Selected
Athlete B	LOSE	WIN	LOSE	

- In the event only one athlete is present in a given category, they will compete against two athletes in the next category who are closest to their 'actual' weight.
- > They must win at least one match to be selected.
- In the event of narrowly losing close scoring matches the head coach/selecting panel may elect to see a third match before making a final decision. (performance will be considered, i.e. scoring many points)

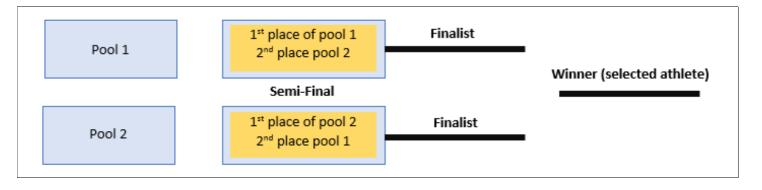
#### **Kumite Selection**

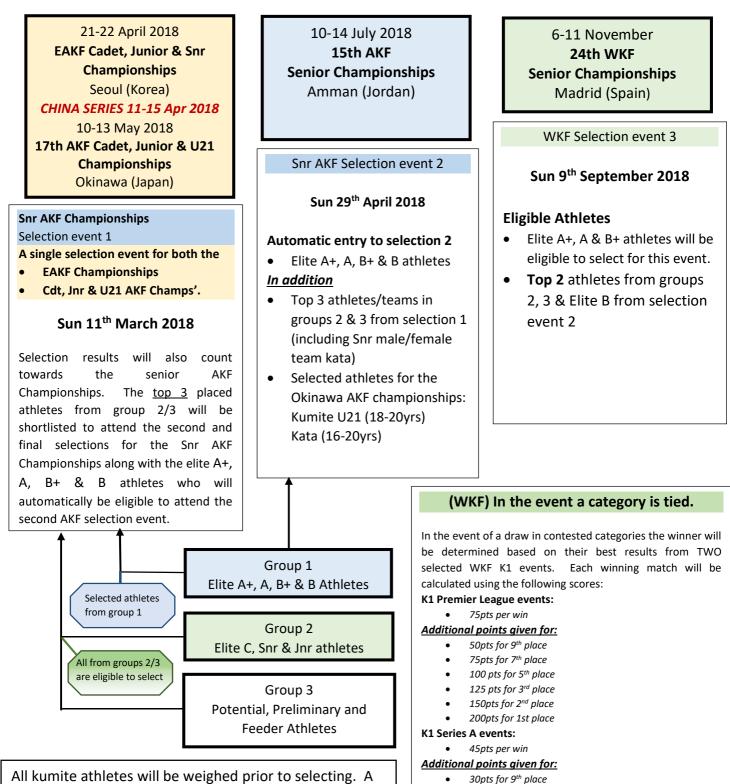
Example of who will be chosen to compete against the single -84kg athlete

Athlete name	Actual weight	Category selecting for	Chosen athletes to compete
Lαυ	83kg	Male -84g	Single athlete
Tang	75kg	Male -75kg	Chosen to compete
Wong	<del>69kg</del>	Male -73kg	Not chosen
Yip	<del>72kg</del>	Male -74kg	Not chosen
Tung	90kg	Male +84kg	Chosen to compete

#### Kumite Selection Six or more athletes present

- In the event of six or more athletes the athletes will be randomly placed into two pools to compete in a round robin event.
- The top two in of each pool will proceed to a semi-final and the winner of the final will become the selected athlete.





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#### Example:

Male kumite -67kg male kumite. Lower limit 60kg / Upper limit 69kg (69.1kg fail weigh-in and 1 hour to lose) *Note:* athlete cannot be lighter than weight class selecting for.

# 45pts for 7<sup>th</sup> place 75 pts for 5<sup>th</sup> place

- 100 pts for 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 100 pts for 3° place
   125pts for 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- 125pts for 2 place
   175pts for 1st place

**Note:** If one or both of the tied athletes have not attended at least two WKF K1 events then one extra deciding bout will be used to select the final place.

# Appeal Mechanism (For Selection)

# Purpose

The Karate Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. ("KFHKCL") provides an appeal channel for the athletes who disagreed the outcome of the selection to ensure fairness and justice during the selection.

# Composition of the Appeals Panel

The Appeal Panel consists of three persons: NSA General Committee member, HK Referee Council member and Representative of HKSI Coaches who has not participated in the original selection and deliberation before. The Appeal Panel may overthrow the original selection result or resolve the result through re-selection.

# Appeal Procedures

- 1.) If the athlete has any objection to the selection result, the athlete must lodge an appeal in written petition and submit to Federation via his/her dojo's decision maker within 14 days after the result of the selection is announced.
- 2.) The appeal petition should be clearly stated the grounds. The member concerned may only appeal on the grounds that:
  - a) The finding or judgement was unreasonable.
  - b) There is evidence that could not reasonably have been considered when the judgement was made and could have materially affected the outcome of the decision.
  - c) There was a serious breach of the procedures set out in Memorandum and Articles of Federation which could have materially affected the outcome of the decision.
- 3.) After the petition is received by Federation, the Appeal Panel will be composed immediately and deliberate the appeal. The documents for the appeal should be given to the person(s) conducting the appeal as soon as practicable after they have been appointed to conduct the appeal hearing.
- 4.) The Appeal Panel first examines the grounds for appeal. If "Declined", the appeal is overruled and the appellant will be notified by a memorandum.
- 5.) If the grounds for appeal are "Accepted", the Appeals Panel members will convene the evaluation process formally.
- 6.) The Appeal Panel review all related documents, including selection procedures, selection results, selection agreements and athlete agreements. Any evidence that the member concerned wishes to submit in support of his or her appeal that they wish to be considered.
- 7.) Method of deliberation: by means of paper evaluation or hearing/video review.
- 8.) If the hearing is required, the appellant should be notified as soon as possible. The appellant must strictly obey the rules of the hearing (for example, the date and place, the hearing procedure and etc.).
- 9.) Method of verdict, by majority or consensus.
- 10.) The result of verdict will be endorsed by the General Committee of KFHKCL. It is the final decision.
- 11.) The final verdict will be notified the appellant and the respondent.
- 12.) From the date of the written petition and submission to final verdict will be no longer than 30 working days.

The person(s) conducting the appeal may consider:

- a) Whether the judgement of the selection was unreasonable having regard to all the evidence considered
- b) Whether the judgement or outcome could be unsafe due to procedural unfairness and prejudice to the member (although the person conducting the appeal must also take into account whether the unfairness or prejudice could have materially influenced the outcome).
- c) The appeals panel determining the appeal may confirm or reverse the decision appealed against.
- d) The appeal is not a repeat of the selection. It is to examine a particular part(s) of the appeal which is under question and which may affect the judgement or the outcome.

# Remark:-

The Karate Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. has the final interpretation of the above mentioned and the right to amend the above procedures