



The 27th Thailand Sports School Games Regulation on Karate

Whereas it is expedient to have the 27th Thailand Sports School Games Regulation on Karate;

By virtue of Article 9 (2) of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E. 2568 (2025), the regulation has been issued as follows:

Article 1: This regulation is called “the 27th Thailand Sports School Games Regulation on Karate”.

Article 2: This regulation shall be enforced in the 27th Thailand Sports School Games on Karate.

Article 3: Rules and regulation of the competition

3.1 The 27th Thailand Sports School Games Regulation on Karate shall be applied.

3.2 The rules of the Thailand Karate Federation shall be applied.

3.3 The 27th Thailand Sports School Games Regulation on Karate shall be applied in case of disagreement.

Article 4: Age groups, types, and events of the competition

4.1 Ages are classified into 3 groups as follows:

4.1.1 U14 (not born before 2012)

4.1.2 U16 (born between 2010 - 2011)

4.1.3 U18 (born between 2008 - 2009)

4.2 The competition is divided into 2 types as follows:

4.2.1 Kata

- Men’s individual Kata
- Women’s individual Kata
- Men’s team Kata
- Women’s team Kata

4.2.2 Kumite

- Men’s individual Kumite
- Women’s individual Kumite
- Men’s team Kumite
- Women’s team Kumite

4.3 The competition events are as follows:

No.	Events	U14		U16		U18	
		Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
	Kata						
1	Men's Individual Kata	✓	-	✓	-	✓	-
2	Women's Individual Kata	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓
3	Men's Team Kata	✓	-	✓	-	✓	-
4	Women's Team Kata	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Kumite						
5	Below 43 kg: weight does not exceed 43 kg	✓	-	-	-	-	-
6	Below 48 kg: weight exceeds 43 kg but does not exceed 48 kg	✓	-	-	-	-	-
7	Below 52 kg: weight exceeds 48 kg but does not exceed 52 kg	✓	-	-	-	-	-
8	Below 57 kg: weight exceeds 52 kg but does not exceed 57 kg	✓	-	-	-	-	-
9	Above 57 kg: weight exceeds 57 kg	✓	-	-	-	-	-
10	Below 38 kg: weight does not exceed 38 kg	-	✓	-	-	-	-
11	Below 43 kg: weight exceeds 38 kg but does not exceed 43 kg	-	✓	-	-	-	-
12	Below 48 kg: weight exceeds 43 kg but does not exceed 48 kg	-	✓	-	-	-	-
13	Below 53 kg: weight exceeds 48 kg but does not exceed 53 kg	-	✓	-	-	-	-
14	Above 53 kg: weight exceeds 53 kg	-	✓	-	-	-	-
15	Below 48 kg: weight does not exceed 48 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
16	Below 52 kg: weight exceeds 48 kg but does not exceed 52 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
17	Below 57 kg: weight exceeds 52 kg but does not exceed 57 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
18	Below 63 kg: weight exceeds 57 kg but does not exceed 63 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
19	Below 68 kg: weight exceeds 63 kg but does not exceed 68 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
20	Above 68 kg: weight exceeds 68 kg	-	-	✓	-	-	-
21	Below 43 kg: weight does not exceed 43 kg	-	-	-	✓	-	-
22	Below 47 kg: weight exceeds 43 kg but does not exceed 47 kg	-	-	-	✓	-	-
23	Below 54 kg: weight exceeds 47 kg but does not exceed 54 kg	-	-	-	✓	-	-
24	Below 59 kg: weight exceeds 54 kg but does not exceed 59 kg	-	-	-	✓	-	-
25	Above 59 kg: weight exceeds 59 kg	-	-	-	✓	-	-
26	Below 50 kg: weight does not exceed 50 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-
27	Below 55 kg: weight exceeds 50 kg but does not exceed 55 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-

No.	Events	U14		U16		U18	
		Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
28	Below 60 kg: weight exceeds 55 kg but does not exceed 60 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-
29	Below 67 kg: weight exceeds 60 kg but does not exceed 67 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-
30	Below 75 kg: weight exceeds 67 kg but does not exceed 75 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-
31	Above 75 kg: weight exceeds 75 kg	-	-	-	-	✓	-
32	Below 48 kg: weight does not exceed 48 kg	-	-	-	-	-	✓
33	Below 53 kg: weight exceeds 48 kg but does not exceed 53 kg	-	-	-	-	-	✓
34	Below 59 kg: weight exceed 53 kg but does not exceed 59 kg	-	-	-	-	-	✓
35	Below 63 kg: weight exceeds 59 kg but does not exceed 63 kg	-	-	-	-	-	✓
36	Above 63 kg: weight exceeds 63 kg	-	-	-	-	-	✓
37	Men's Team Kumite	✓	-	✓	-	✓	-
38	Women's Team Kumite	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓
Total number of events in each age group		8	8	9	8	9	8
Total number of events in all age groups		50					

Article 5: The number of athletes and team officials

5.1 One athlete is permitted to compete in the specified events in only one age group.

5.1.1 For individual events, each athlete is permitted to compete in only one age group.

5.1.2 For team events, each team is permitted to compete in only one age group as follows:

(1) For Team Kata, each team in each age group is permitted to have three starting athletes and one substitute.

(2) For both men's and women's Team Kumite, each team is permitted to have three starting athletes and one substitute (at least two athletes must compete in each round).

5.2 Team officials in each age group consist of:

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| 5.2.1 Team manager | 1 | person |
| 5.2.2 Boys' team coach | 1 | person |
| 5.2.3 Girls' team coach | 1 | person |

Article 6: Qualifications of athletes

The qualifications shall be based upon Section 5 of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E 2568 (2025).

Article 7: The competition prizes

7.1 Winning athletes shall receive the competition prizes in accordance with Section 7, Article 22 of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E. 2568 (2025) as follows:

7.1.1 The winner shall receive a gold medal and a certificate.

7.1.2 The first runner-up shall receive a silver medal and a certificate.

7.1.3 The second runner-up shall receive a bronze medal and a certificate.

7.2 The sports school with the highest total number of gold medals shall receive a trophy of honor in accordance with Section 7, Article 23 of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E. 2568 (2025).

Sports school receiving the most gold medals shall be considered the winner. If the number of gold medals is equal, the number of silver and bronze medals shall be considered respectively. And if the number of all types of medals is still equal, the trophy of honor shall be occupied together.

7.3 Best athlete and coach awards

The best athlete and coach shall receive a certificate of honor under the criteria of consideration as follows:

7.3.1 The best athlete awards shall be given to three male athletes and three female athletes in accordance with their age groups (U14, U16, and U18).

7.3.2 The best coach awards shall be given to three men's and three women's coaches in each age group.

7.3.3 The operating sub-committee in the Karate sport technical sub-committee shall consider and operate for the best athlete and coach awards.

Article 8: The competition organizing methods

8.1 The World Karate Federation (WKF): Kata and Kumite Competition Rules, along with any additional announcements issued by the Thailand Karate Federation applicable to that competition year, shall be applied.

8.2 Team officials are required to bring their athletes for body check-up at a specified venue. The athlete who does not come for body check-up shall not be eligible to compete.

8.3 Before the start of the competition, a field medical doctor must be present to diagnose and provide medical opinions in the event of athlete injuries. However, in Kata events, the chief referee may authorize the competition to proceed without a field medical doctor.

8.4 Any sports school that does not attend the team meeting shall have no right to object to the outcomes of the meeting under any circumstances.

8.5 Individual Kata and Team Kata events

8.5.1 The competition shall be conducted in a knockout format according to the draw. Each individual or team shall perform in turn and be scored. The competitor or team with the higher score in each bout shall advance to the next round until the finalists are determined.

8.5.2 A repechage system shall be applied for both Individual Kata and Team Kata events to determine rankings and award two third places.

8.5.3 In the case where there are only three athletes or teams, for Individual Kata, a round-robin format shall be used. Athletes shall perform free Kata (no repetition). The winner of each bout shall be determined by the higher score. In the event of a tie in the number of wins, the total scores from all rounds shall be used to determine the final ranking. For Team Kata, each team shall perform only one Kata, followed by a demonstration

of its application (Bunkai). The result shall be determined by the judges' scores. The team with the highest score shall be ranked first, and the remaining rankings shall follow in descending order of scores. All teams shall wear red belts.

8.5.4 The Kata performed in the competition shall comply with the approved Kata list specified in Appendix 1 of the World Karate Federation Rules.

8.6 Individual Kumite and Team Kumite events

8.6.1 Weigh-in shall be conducted for all weight categories on the day of the team manager's meeting.

8.6.2 The official weigh-in shall be conducted only once within the specified time. The organizing committee shall provide an additional scale for athletes prior to the official weigh-in.

8.6.3 A weight tolerance of not more than 200 grams shall be permitted for male athletes and 500 grams for female athletes.

8.6.4 The duration of each bout shall be two minutes for all age groups, and a repechage system shall be applied.

8.6.5 In the case where there are only three athletes per age group/team, a round-robin format shall be used. The athlete or team with the highest number of wins shall be awarded the gold medal. In the event of a tie, the total scores from all bouts shall be used to determine the winner.

Article 9: Determination of the competition date, time, and venues

The organizing committee shall be responsible for determination of the competition date, time, and venues.

Article 10: The competition uniform and equipment

10.1 Athletes must wear a Karate uniform (Karate GI) without stripes or patterns. One emblem or national flag, not exceeding 10 x 10 cm in size, may be worn on the left chest. The manufacturer's trademark shall be affixed in the designated position. Athletes shall wear belts of different colors, with one athlete wearing red and the other wearing blue.

10.2 After wearing the Karate uniform (Karate GI) and tying the belt, the jacket shall be long enough to cover the hips but shall not extend beyond three-quarters (3/4) of the thigh length. Female athletes shall wear a plain white T-shirt underneath the Karate jacket.

10.3 Sleeves shall not extend beyond the wrist and shall not be shorter than mid-forearm (between the wrist and the elbow). Sleeves shall not be rolled up. Trousers shall cover at least two-thirds (2/3) of the shin (between the knee and the ankle) and shall not be rolled up.

10.4 Athletes shall keep their hair clean and cut to a length that does not interfere with the conduct of the bout. The wearing of headbands (Hachimaki), hairbands, or metal hair clip is prohibited. However, hair ties are permitted with no more than two used.

10.5 Athletes shall keep their fingernails and toenails short and shall not wear any metallic objects. The use of metallic dental braces is permitted; however, the organizing committee shall not be held responsible for any injury that may occur.

10.6 The wearing of glasses is prohibited. Soft contact lenses may be worn during the competition; however, the organizing committee shall not be held responsible for any injury that may occur.

10.7 Athletes shall wear attire and use protective equipment approved by the refereeing sub-committee only. Additional protective equipment may be worn provided that it has been duly approved.

10.8 The use of bandages or dressings due to injury must be authorized by the referee, upon the approval of the field medical doctor.

10.9 Coaches shall wear a tracksuit and closed-toe shoes, and must display the official accreditation badge issued for the competition at all times.

10.10 Competition equipment requirements

1) Athletes in Kumite events must wear a mouthguard, gloves, shin guards, instep protectors, and a body protector. Female athletes may additionally wear a chest protector. The use of a groin guard is recommended for both male and female athletes; however, if an athlete chooses not to wear and an injury occurs, it may result in disqualification (Kiken). All protective equipment must meet the required standards and be approved by the Thailand Karate Federation or the World Karate Federation. Such equipment must be properly fitted to the individual athlete, worn underneath the Karate uniform, and shall be the sole responsibility of the athlete to provide.

2) Athlete uniforms and belts shall not be permitted to have any embroidery, names, or badges, except for the manufacturer's trademark. The wearing of rank-indicating belts during the competition is not permitted.

Article 11: Referees and officials

The sport technical sub-committee shall consider the referees and the officials for the competition under an approval of the organizing committee.

Article 12: Protest and appeal

12.1 The protest and appeal shall be based upon Section 8 and Section 10 of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E. 2568 (2025).

12.2 Lodging the sport technical protest must be submitted immediately after the conclusion of the bout concerned. The protest shall be lodged with the Tatami Manager (TM), from whom the official protest form shall be obtained for completion.

12.3 Coaches or team managers who are not performing their duties on the competition area for their athletes shall have no right to protest the decision.

Article 13: Penalty

The penalty shall be based upon Section 9 of the Thailand National Sports University Regulation on Thailand Sports School Games, B.E. 2568 (2025).

Article 14: Chairperson of the 27th Thailand Sports School Games Organizing Committee shall have charge and control of the execution of this regulation and act as an arbiter in case of any problems which may occur from applying this regulation.

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