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6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games for Karate competition (28-30 November 2024):

In response to the request of the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China ("SF&OC") about 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games ("AIMAG"), the selected athletes need to be nominated for the competition. Therefore, The Selection and Appeal Mechanism of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. ("KFHKCL") has been formulated and the Nomination List of 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games (Karate competition) will be recommended by the Nomination Committee of KFHKCL.

(1) Introduction

6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games will be held in Bangkok – Chonburi, Thailand on 21-30 November 2024. The SF&OC will arrange representatives to attend the event, the Selection Committee of SF&OC was established to coordinate the delegation's participation.

(2) Eligibility of athletes

- I. Must be a current member of the Hong Kong Karate training team (including the Elite Training Grant and Potential Training team of the Hong Kong Sports Institute (HKSI) and Feeder System Scheme Pre-Squad Training);
- II. The training attendance rate of Feeder system should be at least 50% or above;
- III. Athletes should pass the required medical check up to demonstrate his/her fitness for competition; and
- IV. Athletes should comply with the requirements (including eligibility code, e.g. possess a valid HKSAR Passport) and guidelines set by 6th AIMAG Organizing Committee, Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) and SF&OC.

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(3) Participating Requirement

According to the guidelines set by 6th AIMAG Organizing Committee and OCA and SF&OC:

I. Age

Kata: above the age of 16, born on or before 28 November 2008; Kumite: above the age of 18, born on or before 28 November 2006.

II. Event Categories

- Men: Kumite -55KG, Kumite -60KG, Kumite -67KG, Kumite -75KG, Kumite -84KG, Kumite +84KG, Individual Kata and Team Kata
- Women: Kumite -50KG, Kumite -55KG, Kumite -61KG, Kumite -68KG, Kumite +68KG, Individual Kata and Team Kata

III. Quota

One quota for each event. According to the Entries Polices, the maximum of six (6) out of eight (8) male events and five (5) out of seven (7) female events are allowed to participate the event.

(4) Nomination Process

- I. The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. will complete the selection mechanism and appeal mechanism based on Athlete Selection Policy & Guideline of SF&OC.
- II. The Federation will e-mail the relevant selection mechanism, selection criteria and requirements, and appeal mechanism to all members of the Hong Kong Karate Training Team and each dojo member. The relevant selection information will also be published on the website of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd.
- III. The Headquarter Dojo In-charge can propose their eligible athletes to participate in the competition based on the athletes' qualifications and selection criteria. The deadline for nomination on 2 July, 2024 noon.



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IV. The KFHKCL's nomination committee selects the best athlete from the proposed eligible athletes based on the following "selection criteria", and submits the list to the Selection Committee of SF&OC on or before 17 July 2024.

V. Tier One Selection Criteria:-

Firstly, Athletes / teams possess any one of the outstanding results in the following international competitions shall automatically be selected to participate in the respective Games. No weighting will be set for the listed competitions. If more than one athlete / team have the eligibility in the same category or the category has not any eligible athlete, the Tier Two Selection will be applied.

- 1. *Since 2017, the World Karate Championships (senior) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
- 2. *Since 2017, the Asian Karate Championships (senior) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the Asian Karate Federation);
- 3. *Since 2017, the multi-sports Games owned by OCA in the same or higher level of the Games concerned (senior) including 5th AIMAG, 18th Asian Games, 19th Asian Games ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the Asian Karate Federation);
- 4. *Since 2017, the National Games organized by General Administration of Sport of China in the same or higher level of the Games concerned (senior) including 2017 13th National Games, 2021 14th National Games ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the China Karate Association);
- 5. *Since 2017, the World Games / Universiade in the same or higher level of the Games concerned (senior) including 2017 10th World Games, 2017 29th Universiade Games, 2019 30th Universiade Games, 2023 31st Universiade ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
- 6. Since 2017, participated in recent Olympic Games or multi-sports Games owned by Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) in the same or higher level of the Games concerned (senior) including 2019 1st ANOC World Beach Games, 2020 Tokyo Olympic

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Games. (Athlete can be counted 2 score points while in the Tier Two Selection Criteria)

* On condition that there is a minimum of four participants in the competition(s) AND the athlete(s) ranked in the top one-third among the total number of participants.

For team event, only if all of the athletes nominated among the team fulfilled the above shall automatically be selected.

VI. Tier Two Selection Criteria:-

It mainly calculates the accumulated scores obtained in the international competitions which are listed in Tier One Selection Criteria (according to the "Evaluation Criteria for Elite Vote Support" is formulated by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and as attached for reference). From 1 Jan, 2017 to 1 July, 2024, the winner will be the highest cumulative total score. If two or more athletes' / teams' total score are the same or the category has not any eligible athlete, the Tier Three Selection will be applied.

VII. Tier Three Selection Criteria:-

If two or more athletes' / teams' total score are the same or some category have not any eligible athlete in Tier Two Selection, the following another set of competitions will be re-considered to count in their achievement (according to the "Evaluation Criteria for Elite Vote Support" formulated by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and as attached for reference). From 1 Jan, 2017 to 1 July, 2024, the winner will be the highest cumulative total score. If two or more athletes' / teams' total score are the same or the category has not any eligible athlete, the Tier Four Selection will be applied.

1. *Since 2017, the World Karate Championships Junior, Cadet, & Under 21 (6 score event) - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);



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2. *Since 2017, the Asian Karate Championships Cadet, Junior, U-21 (4 score event) - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the Asian Karate Federation).

VIII. Tier Four Selection Criteria:-

If two or more athletes' / teams' total score are the same or some category have not any eligible athlete in Tier Three Selection, the following another set of competitions (at least 3 score event) will be re-considered to count in their achievement (according to the "Evaluation Criteria for Elite Vote Support" formulated by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and as attached for reference). From 1 Jan, 2017 to 1 July, 2024, the winner will be the highest cumulative total score.

- 1. *Since 2017, the Karate1 Premier League (4 score event) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
- 2. *Since 2017, the Karate1 Series A (3 score event) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
- 3. *Since 2017, the Karate1 Youth League (4 score event) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation)
- 4. *Since 2017, National Youth Games (4 score event) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the China Karate Association);
- 5. *Since 2017, the National Final Stage Championship and National Final Stage Championship Junior (3 score event) ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the China Karate Association).

Remarks (Applied to Tier One, Tier Two, Tier Three and Tier Four Selection):-

- 1. The athlete / team 's achievement counts must win at least one match in the event;
- 2. The event with participation of SIX or more current top ten ranking athletes in the WKF Current Ranking will be considered equivalent to an event at the 4 or 5 point level;



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- 3. The achievement counts only if there were at least four participating regions/countries in the relevant category and the athlete / team ranked in the top one-third among the total number of participants;
- 4. If the competition does not adopt the Repechage scoring system, the adopted scoring system will be counted in the score for the 4th-8th place;
- 5. In Tier Three and Tier Four, the weighting for the result of senior event is multiply 1.5 and the weighting for the result of junior event is multiply 1;
- 6. If the athlete(s) / team(s) ranked in the top two-third among the total number of participants, he/she/they can list out the details in the nomination form for further consideration in Tier Four.
- IX. If after Four tiers selections, including same years, two or more athletes / teams have the same performance and scores or some category have not any eligible athlete, additional consideration may be given as the following criteria:
 - i. For team event, at least 25% of the athletes nominated in the team fulfilled the Tier One Selection Criteria, or receiving HKSI Elite Training Grant with Elite C or above;
 - ii. Athletes receiving HKSI Elite Training Grant with Elite C or above;
 - iii. New sports/events in the 6th AIMAG.
- X. Also, if there are athletes / teams who do not distinguish between the above procedures, the selection committee will first consider their past contested results of the two or more athletes / teams, and then consider the higher attendance rate of the two or more athletes / teams in the training.



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(5) Nomination Committee

The nomination committee of KFHKCL is composed of the head coach of the Karate Department of Hong Kong Sports Institute, and the Kata or Kumite coach, and KFHKCL Coaching Director. The Kata coach will participate in the selection of the Kata, and the Kumite coach will participate in the selection of the Kumite.

(6) Appeal Panel

Athletes / teams who have not been nominated may, within seven days from receiving the nomination results, set out the reasons for the appeal in writing and submit relevant supporting documents for appeal.

The composition of the appeal committee: 3 neutral positions of General Committee members of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. will be elected for the final ruling (the neutral position was not involved in the nomination process before and has no connection to the related athletes / teams).

(7) Timetable

Date	Important matters and mileage
21-June-2024	E-mail to all members of the Hong Kong Karate Training
	Team and each dojo member and it will also be posted on the
	official website
2-July-2024	The deadline for nomination on 2 July, 2024 noon
8-July-2024	The nomination committee meets to select and announce the
	results in the evening^
15-July-2024	The deadline for appeal on 15 July, 2024 noon
16-July-2024	The Appeals Committee decided, if there are any changes,
	the latest list will be submitted to the General Committee of
	the KFHKCL for approval. Subject to changes, the latest list
	results will be announced^
17-July-2024	The list was submitted to the Selection Committee of
	SF&OC for final approval

(Note: ^ Including the total scores of all candidates)



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(8) Enquiry

If you have any questions or queries regarding the Selection and Appeal Mechanism, please feel free to e-mail kfhkc@hkolympic.org, fax (852) 25775525 or telephone (852) 25048243 to contact our staff of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd.

Remarks:

- All members of Nomination Committee and Appeal Panel of KFHKCL participating in the selection and appeal, they must declare their conflict of interests and make a statement to Federation for record and filing.
- Only athletes who comply with the OCA Constitution and Rules and its Bye-Law are entitled to compete in the Karate competition.

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