



18th Regional Kendo Championships Rules and Regulations (For overseas participants)

1. Event Date, Time and Location

Event	Date	Time	Location
Kendo Seminar and 1- 5 Dan Kendo Examination	25 th July (Friday)	09:00-18:00	Lei Yu Mun Sports Centre
Men and Women Individual Event	26 th July (Saturday)	09:00-18:00	Lei Yu Mun Sports Centre
Welcome Dinner	26 th July (Saturday)	19:00-21:00	Lei Tung Restaurant (Yau Tong)
Men's 5-members Team and Women's 3-members Team Event	27 th July (Sunday)	09:00-18:00	Lei Yu Mun Sports Centre

2. Categories

- (A1) Children Individual Event (Age 6-9, unisex)
- (A2) Children Individual Event (Age 10-12, unisex)
- (B1) Male Teenage Individual Event (Age 13-17 Male)
- (B2) Female Teenage Individual Event (Age 13-17 Female)
- (C1) Women's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No Dan to 2 Dan)
- (C2) Women's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)
- (D1) Men's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No Dan to 2 Dan)
- (D2) Men's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)
- (E) Women's 3-members Team Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)
- (F) Men's 5-members Team Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)

3. Competition details and regulations:

All matches shall be conducted in accordance with FIK's "The Regulations of Kendo Shiai and Shinpan (26th July, 2023)" and "Provisional Match and Referee Rules as developed by All Japan Kendo Federation (1st April, 2023)" (Any amendments made to the regulations hereafter shall be included)

(A1) Children Individual Event (Age 6-9, unisex)

- No Kyu, Dan and Nationality restriction
- All matches under this category will be at 2 minutes duration and each match will be played by 3 Bon-Shobu.
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw), Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.

(A2) Children Individual Event (Age 10-12, unisex)

- No Kyu, Dan and Nationality restriction
- All matches under this category will be at 2 minutes duration and each match will be played by 3 Bon-Shobu.
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw), Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.

(B1) Male Teenage Individual Event (Age 13-17 Male)

- No Kyu, Dan and Nationality restriction
- All matches under this category will be at 2 minutes duration and each match will be played by 3 Bon-Shobu.
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw). Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.

(B2) Female Teenage Individual Event (Age 13-17 Female)

- No Kyu, Dan and Nationality restriction
- All matches under this category will be at 2 minutes duration and each match will be played by 3 Bon-Shobu.
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw). Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.

(C1) Women's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No Dan to 2 Dan)

- All players in this event must be No Dan to 2 Dan; aged 18 or above on the event date; female.
- Knock-out format.
- The duration of all matches in this category will be 3 minutes and each match will be played by "San-Bon-Shobu".
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho at 3 minute will be called. And when a match is not decided within the 3-minute Encho, Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.
- CKOU participants **CANNOT** claim CKOU points with this result.
- A player **who is 3 Dan or above CANNOT** enrol in both this and the **(C2)** event.

(C2) Women's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)

- All players in this event must be aged 18 or above on the event date; female; no nationality restriction; no restrictions on Dan.
- Knock-out format.
- The duration of all matches in this category will be 3 minutes and each match will be played by "San-Bon-Shobu".
- In case no result could be determined within the allotted time, "Encho" will be carried out by "Ippon-shobu" and shall be continued until a winner is determined.
- CKOU participants **CAN** claim CKOU points with this result.
- Only players **who are 2 Dan or below can** enrol in **both** this and the **(C1)** event.

(D1) Men's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No Dan to 2 Dan)

- All players in this event must be No Dan to 2 Dan; aged 18 or above on the event date; male; no nationality restriction.
- Knock-out format.
- The duration of all matches in this category will be 3 minutes and each match will be played by "San-Bon-Shobu".
- For preliminaries to the semi-finals matches, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho at 3 minute will be called. And when a match is not decided within the 3-minute Encho, Hantei (判定) will be carried out by the 3 referees based on the player's posture, correct basic and spirits (kiai) during the match.
- For final match, in the case of Hiki-wake (tie, draw) Encho will be called until either side gets ippon.
- CKOU participants **CANNOT** claim CKOU points with this result.
- A player **who is 3 Dan or above cannot** enrol in this event.

(D2) Men's Individual Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)

- All players in this event must be aged 18 or above on the event date; male; no nationality restriction; no restrictions on Dan.
- Knock-out format.
- The duration of all matches in this category will be 3 minutes and each match will be played by "San-Bon-Shobu".
- In case no result could be determined within the allotted time, "Encho" will be carried out by "Ippon-shobu" and shall be continued until a winner is determined.
- CKOU participants **CAN** claim CKOU points with this result.
- Only players **who are 2 Dan or below can** enrol in both this and the **(D1)** event.

(E) Women's 3-members Team Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)

- ALL players/substitutes in this event must be female and aged 18 or above on the event date and no restrictions on Dan; the organizer reserves the right to disqualify any players under the age of 18.
- Each team will consist of 3 players (not require to have the same nationality, and can have one additional player as a reserve player)
- Any country or area with only 2 players in a team, the competition sequence will be Senpo and Taisho.
- Any team with less than 3 players, the team may request the organizer to invite local members or members from other countries to join the team.
- A player cannot participate in more than one team in this event (no matter as a player or substitute; same or different countries).
- The pre-registered substitute can only replace the injured player in the same team; and the sequence of the team cannot be changed when the replacement is made (e.g. If Taisho withdraws due to injury, the substitute can only replace the Taisho position);
- The duration of all matches in this category will be 3 minutes and each match will be played by San-Bon-Shobu.
- In case of two teams tie with same scores or winner cannot be determined, each team has to send a representative for a playoff with no time limit by Ippon-Shobu, the player who first scores one point will be the winner.
- Team order (Senpo, Chuken, Taisho) CANNOT BE CHANGED once submitted to the organizer in the preliminary heats.
- For all matches after the preliminary heats, team order can be changed (Reshuffling will be restricted to 4 registered players in the team given as maximum in the entry form). Each team MUST submit its team order list (if any update) to the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) for approval in each match before it starts.
- If the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) does not receive any new team order list, your team order is presumed to remain the same as the previous match.
- Each team is required to double check the order on the scoreboard and please inform the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) immediately for any mistake found.

(F) Men's 5-members Team Event (18 years old or above, No restrictions on Dan)

- ALL registered players/substitutes in this event must be at the age of 18 or above on the event date, male and no restrictions on Dan. The organizer reserves the right to disqualify any players/substitutes under the age of 18.
- Each team consists of five players (not require to have the same nationality, and can have one additional player as a reserve player).
- Any country or area team with only 3 players to compete in the 5-member team events, the competition sequence will be Senpo, Chuken and Taisho (1, 3 & 5).
- Any country or area team with only 4 players to compete in the 5-member team events, the competition sequence will be Senpo, Chuken, Fukusho and Taisho (1, 3, 4 & 5).
- Any team with less than 5 players, the team may request the organizer to invite local members or members from other countries to join the team.
- A player cannot participate in more than one team in this event (no matter as a player or substitute; same or different countries).
- A replacement (substitute) can only be made if any player from the same team withdraws from injury; the substitute must be registered under the same team beforehand and order of the team cannot be changed at the time a replacement is made (e.g. Taisho of the team has sustained injury, the substitute can replace the Taisho position only).
- All matches will have 3 minutes duration and each match will be played by San-Bon-Shobu.
- If two teams tie with same scores or winner cannot be determined, each team has to send a representative for a playoff with no time limit by Ippon-Shobu, the player who first scores one point will be the winner. In the case of encho and the match cannot be decided within 30min, 3 minutes rest will be applied, after that players will resume again.
- Team order (Senpo, Jiho, Chuken, Fukusho, Taisho) submitted to the organizer CANNOT BE CHANGED in the preliminary heats.
- For all matches after the preliminary heats, team order can be changed (Reshuffling will be restricted to a maximum of 7 registered players in the team given in the entry form). Each team MUST submit its team order list (if any update) in each match to the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) for approval before the matches start.
- If the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) does not receive any new team order list, your team order is presumed to remain the same as the previous match. Each team MUST submit its team order list (in any update) to the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) in each match before it starts.
- Each team is required to double check the order on the scoreboard and please inform the presiding referee (Shinpan-shunin) immediately for any mistake found.

4. Shinai check

All shinai will have to be checked on the day and stamped with different colors for identification of men and women events.

		MALE	FEMALE
Itto-no-kamae	Length	≤ 120cm	≤ 120cm
	Weight	≥ 510g	≥ 440g
	Diameter of Sakigawa	≥ 26mm	≥ 25mm
	Length of Sakigawa	≥ 50mm	≥ 50mm
Nito-no-kamae	Length of Daito / longer sword	≤ 114cm	≤ 114cm
	Length of Shoto / shorter sword	≤ 62cm	≤ 62cm
	Weight of Daito / longer sword	≥ 440g	≥ 400g
	Weight of Shoto / shorter sword	280-300g	250-280g
	Diameter of Sakigawa (Daito / longer sword)	≥ 25mm	≥ 24mm
	Diameter of Sakigawa (Shoto / shorter sword)	≥ 24mm	≥ 24mm
	Length of Sakigawa	≥ 50mm	≥ 50mm

5. Trophies and medals

Trophies or medals will be awarded to the winners, second place and two third place in all events. Shinpan-shunin of each court will nominate players for the Fighting Spirit Awards.

6. Enrolment Procedure

Participating regions are required to fill in the application form and submit to HKKA by fax or email, which should include the following details:

- i) Full name of the regional team and the Dojo in both Chinese and English
- ii) The number of teams and the names of athletes in both Chinese and English
- iii) Age, gender and nationality and Dan
- iv) Disclaimer of Consent Form
- v) Individual contestants and accompanying staff are only allowed to represent a single area or group
- vi) Overseas holders of FIK approved Kendo 6 Dan or above qualifications and CKOU members with FIK approved Kendo 5 Dan or above qualifications familiar with the FIK trial regulations are welcome to be the referee. Interested parties please fill in the registration form with your own personal information.
- vii) Accommodation will be waived for invited referees with 6 Dan or above (overseas) and referees with 5 Dan or above (CKOU).

7. Enrolment Fee

1) Fees for overseas players (Applicable to 2 Dan or below players):

Fees	Room Nights	Participate in 1 Event	Participate in 2 Events	Participate in 3 Events
Twin Room (Have to share with another person)	1 Night	HK\$1,000	HK\$1,100	HK\$1,200
Twin Room (Have to share with another person)	2 Nights	HK\$1,400	HK\$1,500	HK\$1,600
Remarks	The Organizer will arrange for 2 participants of the same gender to stay in a Twin Room.			
		Participate in 1 Event	Participate in 2 Events	Participate in 3 Events
Single Room	1 Night	HK\$1,400	HK\$1,500	HK\$1,600
Single Room	2 Nights	HK\$2,200	HK\$2,300	HK\$2,400

Fees for overseas players (Applicable to 3 Dan or above players):

Fees	Room Nights	Participate in 1 Event	Participate in 2 Events
Twin Room (Have to share with another person)	1 Night	HK\$1,000	HK\$1,100
Twin Room (Have to share with another person)	2 Nights	HK\$1,400	HK\$1,500
Remarks	The Organizer will arrange for 2 participants of the same gender to stay in a Twin Room.		
		Participate in 1 Event	Participate in 2 Events
Single Room	1 Night	HK\$1,400	HK\$1,500
Single Room	2 Nights	HK\$2,200	HK\$2,300

Important Notes:

- The above fees include hotel accommodation & hotel breakfast the following day (based on the number of nights applied), entry fee (based on the number of events the participant applied), welcome dinner on 26th July (Saturday), lunch boxes for one or two days (based on the number of events applied), and personal accident insurance. Complimentary shuttle bus service will also be provided at designated times for participants staying at the official Hotel.
- Light breakfast will be provided at the hotel restaurant.
- Please be kindly reminded that participants are subjected to the SAME entry fees either they

choose to stay at the official hotel or with other hotels in Hong Kong by your own cost.

- Participants can indicate their preferred roommates during registration. If there are no preferred roommates, the organizer will arrange accommodation with other participants of the same gender.
- Room types are subject to the hotel's room availability and at the discretion of The Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Ltd. Participants may be required to pay the price difference if there are any changes, and they should not raise any objections. Thank you for understanding in advance.

2) Non-players (including family members or those only taking the exam) and additional accommodation for players:

- Single room: HK\$800 per person per night
- Twin room: HK\$400 per person per night
- Welcome Dinner fee: HK\$300 per person

The above fees are only applicable for applications received on or before 26th June 2025. There will be adjustment to the fees for applications received on or after 27th June 2025.

3) Examination fee:

Examination fee: 1 Dan-HK\$800; 2 Dan-HK\$1,000; 3 Dan-HK\$1,300;
4 Dan-HK\$2,100; 5 Dan-HK\$3,100

8. **Official Hotel**

Cozi Hotel – Harbour View (Kwun Tong)
Address: 163 Wai Yip St, Kwun Tong

9. **Welcome Dinner**

26th July 2025 (Saturday)
Lei Tung Restaurant (Yau Tong)
Address: Canaryside, 8 Shung Shun St, Yau Tong

10. **Payment method:**

The participant fees must be fully paid by bank transfer or Alipay at the time of submitting the application form. After confirmation of registration by the Association, participants will be informed of the payment status.

1. Bank transfer

Payee: The Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited
Payee account number: 281-264200-001
Receiving bank: Hang Seng Bank Limited

2. Alipay

If paying by Alipay, an additional 1.5% handling fee is required. Please email the payment

proof to the Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited.



Alipay QR code

3. FPS

Please select email for FPS transaction: hkka@hkolympic.org

Account: The Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited

Please email the bank transfer receipt, Alipay or FPS payment proof with the application form to the The Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited (hkka@hongkongkendo.com) (Note: The remittance fee for both parties is to be borne by the applicant.)

11. Deadline of Application

5:00pm, 26th June, 2025 (Thursday).

Interested parties please submit your application in advance.

12. Transportation arrangement

TBC

13. Dan Examination (1 Dan to 5 Dan)

Please see attachment.

14. Once all fees are accepted, participants are not entitled to request a refund.

15. A first aid team will be stationed at the venue during the championships.

16. The organizer will not be held responsible for any loss of personal belongings during the Championships.

17. The HKKA reserves the right to retain any veto on enrolment.

18. The HKKA reserves the right to final amendment and interpretation in respect of the above terms.

The Kendo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited

23rd May, 2025

留意事項

Reminder

- 參賽者須經本會預訂酒店。

The participants are required to stay at the hotel arranged by the Association.

- 參賽者必須填寫與旅遊證件上之姓名完全相同。

Participants must provide the name that exactly matches their travel documents.

- 若提出任何更改或有需要更改，參賽者需要自行承擔有關酒店或代理商收取之額外更改費用，本會絕不負責。另外，本會可另收取每位手續費 HK\$500。

If any changes are requested or needed, participants are required to responsible for the additional fees charged by the hotel or hotel supplier. The Association will not be responsible for this.

Additionally, the Association may charge an administrative fee of HK\$500 per person.

- 參賽者可提出房間分配要求，但本會將視乎當時實際情況而決定是否接納。

Participants may make requests for room assignments, but the Association will decide whether to accept them based on the actual situation at the time.

- 就參賽者對酒店的任何特別要求，本會、酒店及酒店供應商無法確保定能夠滿足參賽者要求。若最終未能確實接納或滿足要求，參賽者不得藉以要求任何更改、退款或賠償。

The Association, hotel, and hotel suppliers cannot guarantee that any special requests regarding the hotel can be made. If the requests cannot be made, participants are not entitled to request any changes, refunds, or compensation.

- 參賽者必須持有有效之旅遊證件及入境簽證，達六個月或以上，本會對參賽者因個人證件及簽證所產生之任何問題概不負責，亦不退款或賠償。

Participants must hold valid travel documents and entry visas with a validity of six months or more. The Association will not be responsible for any issues arising from participants' personal documents and visas, and no refunds or compensations will be provided.

- 參賽者可以與家屬入住房間，本會會按人數收費。詳情請參閱“非參賽者收費”。

Participants can stay in rooms with family members, and the Association will charge according to the number of people. For details, please refer to the "Non-participant Charges".

- 本會接受銀行轉帳或以支款寶收取費用。若果參賽者需要特別安排，需要與本會聯絡。

The Association accepts payments by bank transfers or Alipay. If participants require special arrangements, they need to contact the Association.

- 支款寶會額外收取每筆交易的 1.5%手續費。參賽者需要自行承擔。

Alipay will charge an additional 1.5% administrative fee for each transaction. Participants are required to bear this fee themselves.

- 所有費用一經接納，參賽者無得要求退款。

Once all fees are accepted, participants are not entitled to request a refund.