

# KARATE MANITOBA TOURNAMENT

## SANCTIONING POLICY

Effective February 4, 2017

### Section 1 – POLICY and GUIDELINES

#### Policy

Karate Manitoba is the legal sanctioning body for Karate tournaments held within the Province of Manitoba as per Manitoba Order in Council #257/2014, herein, referred to as ‘OIC’. Subsequent to this OIC, Karate Manitoba herein referred to as KM, the organization that may hold or permit other organizations to hold a contest between amateur athletes in the sport of karate in the Province of Manitoba. This policy has been established under the framework of safety, inclusivity and policing.

#### Scope

The policy applies to

- Karate Manitoba Member clubs and organizations
- Karate Manitoba Affiliate clubs and organizations
- Non member clubs and organizations that qualify for Special Event Tournament Sanction under the pillar of inclusivity

#### Purpose

To ensure established tournament safety standards are met at all Karate Manitoba sanctioned tournaments through training and opportunity for implementation, monitoring and providing fair play tournaments with a standardized set of rules and safety guidelines for all sanctioned Karate competitions in the Province of Manitoba.

#### Criteria for Sanction

*Tournaments will be classified into one of two categories (numbers 1 & 2)*

1. **World Karate Federation (WKF) Modified Rules** – for *multi style* tournaments not governed under one association’s rules.
2. **Single Style Rules** – Tournament follows recognized Association rules (to be submitted with application). Existing rules must meet Karate Manitoba’s Competition Minimum Safety Standards (appendix 1 of the Tournament Sanction Application)
3. Officials **MUST** be certified in their own style for single style events, or WKF modified rules for multi style karate competition.

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## **Safety Standards & Risk Management Guidelines**

1. For Multi Style Events: All multi-style Competitions must have at least (1) one designated representative from Karate Manitoba present at the competition.
2. For Single Style events - May not require a Karate Manitoba representative on site.
3. Multi Style Events will require 8x8 metre rings with mats. Single Style Events may not require mats as per their style's competition rule requirements.
4. Host club/organization should have qualified first aid/medical personnel are on site
5. Competition area must be unobstructed by competitors, judges/referees and coaches.
6. Divisions should be structured by level, age, weight/height and gender for fair play and injury prevention.

## **Section 11 – Application Process**

1. Sanction may not be given if an event is within 14 days of an event already sanctioned in the same region.
2. Applicants must fill out either the Member Club application for Sanction Form or the Non Member Special Event Sanction Form and submit with required documentation and application fee.
3. Applications must be submitted minimum (45) forty-five days prior to proposed event
4. For Multi-Style events under WKF modified rules - In the event of a serious accident/injury, the tournament medical personnel must file a copy of their injury report with Karate Manitoba within 7 days of tournament completion.
5. Proof of liability insurance (IF Host Club/Organizer has additional liability insurance) may be required.
6. Applications will not be accepted without all required forms and application fee.

## **Upon Sanction**

*Once sanction has been granted the host club/organizer is authorized to:*

1. Multi – Style Open events – Must use the KM logo on promotional materials, display official KM Banner at event
2. Single Style events – May use the KM logo and Tournament Banner, if desired.
3. It is the responsibility of the Host club to coordinate and oversee all event operations according to the policy and procedures. Karate Manitoba, in providing sanction is granting the authorized use of our name, logo for the specific event, and to ensure Karate Manitoba minimum safety standards are met.