



# **World Karate Federation**

## **WKF COACHES DISCIPLINARY RULES TECHNICAL COMMISSION (TC)**



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## GENERAL

In order to act as coaches in World Karate Federation (WKF) events all coaches must have signed the "Accreditation Agreement for Coaches" and be either "Accredited Coach", "Certified Kumite Coach", "Certified Kata Coach" and/or "Certified Karate Coach". The disciplinary authority of the Technical Commission (TC) of the WKF will be applicable to those coaches who participate in WKF events.

Any incident involving a coach in competition will be reported by the Chief Referee of the Referee Panel through the relevant Report Form and will be rendered to the Chairman or to the Secretary of the Technical Commission, that will produce the relevant TC Report as soon as possible and in any case before the start of the next day competitions.

The enforcement of the WKF disciplinary authority for coaches corresponds in first instance to the Referee Panel during a bout. In the case that the Chief Referee would appreciate a direct very severe offence of a coach, this Coach will be immediately disqualified from the bout. Right after a bout where an incident with a coach has taken place, a report will be rendered by the Chief Referee of the said bout to the Technical Commission which will always act swiftly upon reception of such report. A coach that has been disqualified in a bout will remain in this situation until a decision of the TC has issued a verdict on the case.

The Technical Commission can also act ex-officio.

The final TC resolution will be duly reported to those concerned, including a copy to the National Federation of the coach.

In the secretariat office of the WKF there will be an updated registrar of all the sanctions imposed as communicated by the TC secretary. This will allow, among other possible uses, to take into account those circumstances which could modify the degree of responsibility for the sanction and also compute the terms for the expiration of both sanctions and infractions.



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## COACHES PERFORMANCE CONTROL. DISCIPLINARY RULES.

OFFENCES	SANCTIONS	
<b><u>MINOR</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public warning.</li> <li>• Warning.</li> </ul>	
<b><u>SEVERE</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Disqualification.*</b></li> <li>• Deprivation of the Coach Accreditation rights.</li> <li>• Disqualification from acting as a Coach at Championships.</li> <li>• Cancellation of economical support from the Federation.</li> </ul>	From one to eight months.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disqualification from taking part in Sports Activities.</li> </ul>	From eight months and one day to two years.
<b><u>VERY SEVERE</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Disqualification.*</b></li> <li>• Deprivation of the Coach Accreditation rights.</li> <li>• Disqualification from acting as a Coach at Championships.</li> <li>• Cancellation of economical support from the Federation.</li> <li>• Loss of the Coach Certification.</li> </ul>	From two years and one day to four years.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fine.</li> </ul>	In perpetuity.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disqualification from taking part in any Sport Activity.</li> </ul>	From 300€ to 6000€.

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*The disqualification may be :*

- a) *From acting as a Coach.*
- b) *From taking up a representative position in the Federation.*
- c) *From taking up a technical position in the Federation.*
- d) *From taking up a governing position in the Federation.*
- e) *From participating in official events.*



**COACHES PERFORMANCE CONTROL**  
(In competition)

# REFEREE PANEL REPORT

**EVENT:** .....

**PLACE:** .....

**DATE:** .....

<b>REFEREE PANEL</b>	<b>REFEREE:</b>
	<b>CHIEF REFEREE:</b>
	<b>JUDGE 1:</b>
	<b>JUDGE 2:</b>
	<b>JUDGE 3:</b>
	<b>JUDGE 4:</b>

<b>First Name*:</b>		<b>Family Name*:</b>	
<b>NF*:</b>		<b>Country:</b>	
<b>Accreditation Date:</b>		<b>Kumite Coach:</b>	Yes No
<b>Kata Coach:</b>	Yes No	<b>Karate Coach:</b>	Yes No

\* Compulsory fields

<b>Detailed description of the incident:</b>	<b>Responsible Referee</b>
	<b>Signed:</b>
	Mr/Mrs. ....
	Date: .....

<b>INFRACTIONS</b>	<b>TO THE RULES</b>	Any action or omission committed on the occasion, or as a result, of the events organized by the WKF which damages, infringes or disturbs the good development of the Competition will be considered as infractions.
		2 <i>WARNINGS</i> = 1 MINOR OFFENCE 3 <i>MINOR OFFENCES</i> = 1 SEVERE OFFENCE 2 <i>SEVERE INFRACTIONS</i> = 1 VERY SEVERE OFFENCE 1 <i>VERY SEVERE OFFENCE</i> = <u>DISQUALIFICATION</u>

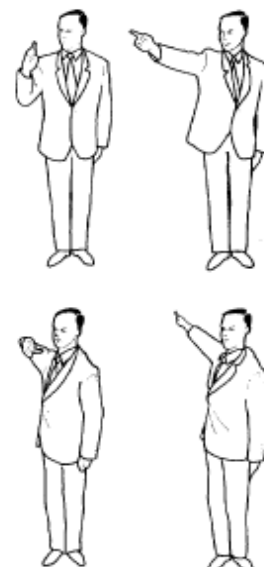
## OFFENCES

### VERY SEVERE INFRACTION

#### VERY SEVERE OFFENCES

The following will be considered as very severe offences,

- A)  The aggression to a member of the referee panel, an official, a member of the opponent team, a competitor, a member of the technical commission, a judge, an instructor, a spectator or any other person in general, when it is a severe, damaging action and is markedly serious.
- B)  The actions resulting in the definitive cancellation of the event.
- C)  The protests, intimidation or coercion, in a collective or tumultuous manner, which inhibit a bout to be held or which result in the cancellation of the event.
- D)  The explicit disobedience to the commands and instructions given by executive members, competition directors, referees, members of the technical commission and other sports authorities, which is dangerous for any other participant or practitioner or to the general public.
- E)  The submission of false statements which would be considered as an offence in the case they were true and to disrespect the WKF Rules.
- F)  Two SEVERE offences



## SEVERE OFFENCES

The following will be considered as severe offences:

- A)   Aggression towards the people referred to in point A) in the previous article, as long as the action, according to its seriousness, does not constitute an infraction as defined in the same.
- B)   The blatant and explicit infraction to the ethic and moral Karate-do Rules, when they are severe and/or have social implications.

The following will also be considered as severe offences:

- A)   Threatening, coercing or committing humiliating actions, verbally or in deed, to a member of the referee panel, an official, opponent, competitor, a member of the technical commission, judge, instructor, spectator or anybody in general.
- B)   To insult or offend, severely or repeatedly and the attempt to assault, or to assault any of the above-mentioned people.
- C)   The repeated non-fulfilment of the commands given by referees and judges.
- D)   To publicly and notoriously behave contrarily to the social and courtesy rules of Karate-do.
- E)   Three MINOR offences.

## SEVERE OFFENCE



## MINOR OFFENCES

The following will be considered as minor offences:

- A)    To repeatedly protest against the referee's decisions.
- B)    To adopt a passive or negligent attitude towards the fulfilment of the referee's instructions or to disobey his/her orders.
- C)    To talk to the referees, opponents, competitors, judges and instructors, executive members and other sports authorities, in a derogatory manner, or to act inconsiderately towards them.
- D)    To use unregulated methods or procedures during the competition which attempt against the other competitor's integrity.
- E)    Behaviours, attitudes and gestures which incite those present against the normal development of the competition and the failure to follow the customary rules of etiquette and decorum characteristic of Karate-do.
- F)    To express oneself inappropriately towards the public, or to offend a spectator by means of words or gestures.
- G)    To cause the unusual interruption of a tournament or activity.
- H)    The use of improper personal attire.
- I)    Any kind of behaviour contrary to the sports social rules which are not specified as very severe or severe in this document.
- J)    Two warnings.

## MINOR OFFENCE



## WARNING





**COACHES PERFORMANCE CONTROL**  
(Out of competition)

# T.C. REPORT

**EVENT:** .....

**PLACE:** .....

**DATE:** .....

<b>TECHNICAL COMMISSION</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN:</b>
	<b>SECRETARY:</b>
	<b>MEMBER:</b>
	<b>MEMBER:</b>
	<b>MEMBER:</b>

<b>First Name*:</b>	<b>Family Name*:</b>		
<b>NF*:</b>	<b>Country:</b>		
<b>Accreditation Date:</b>	<b>Kumite Coach:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Kata Coach:</b>	<b>Karate Coach:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

\* Compulsory fields

<b>Detailed description of the incident:</b>	<b>TC Chairman</b>	<b>TC Secretary</b>
	Signed: Mr/Mrs. ....	Signed: Mr/Mrs. ....
Date: .....		

<b>OFFENCES</b>	<b>THE RULES</b>	Any action or omission committed against the Competition Rules (as stated on the WKF Regulations) will be considered as offences.
		2 <b>WARNINGS</b> = 1 <b>MINOR OFFENCE</b> 3 <b>MINOR OFFENCES</b> = 1 <b>SEVERE OFFENCE</b> 2 <b>SEVERE OFFENCES</b> = 1 <b>VERY SEVERE OFFENCE</b> 1 <b>VERY SEVERE OFFENCE</b> = <b>DISQUALIFICATION</b>

**VERY SEVERE OFFENCES**

**The following will be considered as very severe offences to the Competition Rules or to the overall Sports Regulations:**

- a)  Abuse of authority.
- b)  The infringement of imposed sanctions. The infringement will be taken into consideration in all cases where the sanctions are deemed enforceable. The same system will be applicable in the case of infringement of precautionary measures.
- c)  The actions taken to predetermine, through money, intimidation or simple agreements, the competition results.
- d)  The promotion, encouragement, consumption or use of prohibited substances or practices, together with the refusal to undergo the controls established by the competent organs or staff, or any action or omission which could affect or disturb the correct development of such tests.
- e)  Any aggressive and anti-sports behaviour, attitude and gestures on the coaches' side, when talking to other coaches, competitors or spectators, together with public statements which encourage their teams, or the spectators, to commit acts of violence.



- f)  Notorious and public acts which attempt against sports dignity and propriety when they are especially serious. Furthermore, the repetition of severe infractions caused by this kind of acts will be considered as a very serious offence.
- g)  The non fulfilment of the agreements taken by the competent WKF bodies which are of special importance, or which can derive into severe damages.
- h)  The participation in any kind of Karate competitions, tournaments or meetings, organized out of the WKF´s scope and without its explicit authorization, by associations, groups, clubs and other organisms which supplant in evident and public ways the legal functions attributed to the WKF.
- i)  The lack of cooperation with the WKF Technical Commission when it asks for cooperation in obtaining information prior to the initiation of a file or once the proceedings have started.

**The following will be considered as very severe offences to the sports discipline:**

- a)  The use of prohibited pharmacological substances and groups, as well as unregulated methods, with the aim of artificially increasing the physical strength of the competitors or to alter the competition results.
- b)  The promotion or encouragement to use such substances or methods. The cooperation in the implementation of the use of unregulated methods and substances will also be taken into consideration.
- c)  The encouragement to the non-submission from his/her competitors to the doping control, in and out of the competition, when they are requested by the competent bodies or persons.
- d)  Any action or omission which tends to stop or disturb the correct development of the anti doping procedure to his/her competitors.
- e)  The administration or use of prohibited substances.
- f)  **Two SEVERE offences.**

**SEVERE OFFENCES**

**The following will be considered as severe offences:**

- a)   The repeated non-fulfilment of commands and instructions given by the competent sports bodies.
- b)   The notorious and public acts which affect the sports dignity and propriety.
- c)   The manipulation or modification, personally or through a third party, of the sports material and equipment, against the karate technical rules.
- d)   **Three MINOR offences.**

**MINOR OFFENCES**

**Those acts clearly performed against the sports regulations, which are not included under the very severe or severe categories in the WKF Statutes or Disciplinary Rules, will be considered as minor offences.**

**The following will be considered as minor offences:**

- a)    The observations made to referees, members of the technical commission, executive members and other sports authorities who are on duty, which signify a slight discourtesy.
- b)    The slight discourtesy towards the public, peers and subordinates.
- c)    Adopting a passive attitude towards the fulfilment of the commands and instructions given by referees and sports authorities who are in service.
- d)    **Two warnings.**