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# 1 Initial Greetings

## 1.1 Head of the host NF

On behalf of the French Karate Federation, it is my pleasure to invite you to the 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Open Karate Premier League of Paris which will be held from January 25 to January 27, 2019.

For the eighth time, the Paris Open will be taking part in the WKF Premier League. This series of Premium competitions was put in place by the WKF with the intention to bring together the best karate competitors thus creating an unprecedented WKF Karate 1 - Premier League event both in size and quality.

The French Karate Federation is proud to host this WKF Premier League competition and the organizing committee will do its utmost to offer the best facilities in order to make this a most successful and memorable event.

I am looking forward to meeting you all soon in Paris!

Respectfully,

Francis DIDIER  
President of French Karate Federation

## 2 Introduction

The Karate1-Premier League is the most important league event in the world of Karate. It comprises of a number of the most prominent Karate competitions and endeavours to bring together the best Karate athletes in the world in an open Championships of unprecedented scale and quality.

Initiated in 2011, the 2019 edition is formed by seven events being held in the cities of Paris, Dubai, Rabat, Shanghai, Tokyo, Moscow and Madrid thus stating Karate's impact all around the world and its global scale. The city of Paris hosts a Karate 1-Premier League event for the 8th time.

At the end of the season, the champions of each category are presented with the "Grand Winners" award. In order to be eligible to receive the "Grand Winners" award, competitors have to participate in at least 4 events in 2 continents of the season.

## 3 WKF Approved Items

The Karate 1-Premier League complies with the highest level of presentation. In order to guarantee the correct delivery of the event, and to ensure the suitable quality of the tournament, exclusively the following brands are **WKF Approved** for use in the 2019 Karate 1-Premier League Season.

<b>SPORT PROTECTIONS</b>	
<b>BRAND</b>	<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>
	<p><b>DOUBLE D</b>            2, rue Vladimir Jankelevitch            77184 Emerainville, FRANCE            Phone : +33 1 64 73 00 03            Fax : + 33 1 64 73 00 04            E-mail: <a href="mailto:nicolas.poy-tardieu@doubled.fr">nicolas.poy-tardieu@doubled.fr</a>  <a href="http://en.doubled-martialarts.com">http://en.doubled-martialarts.com</a></p>
	<p><b>ARAWAZA</b>            724, Chemin des Anglais            Mascouche (QC) J7L 3R6, CANADA            Phone: + 1 450 477 4410            Fax: +1 450 477 4400            E-mail: <a href="mailto:sales@arawaza.com">sales@arawaza.com</a>  <a href="http://www.arawaza.com">www.arawaza.com</a></p>
	<p><b>SBI SPORT AB</b>            Staffanstorpvägen 115            S-23291 Arlöv- Malmö, SWEDEN            Tel: +46 40 948888            Fax: +46 40 940780            E-mail: <a href="mailto:robert.tegel@sbisport.se">robert.tegel@sbisport.se</a>  <a href="http://www.budo-nord.com">www.budo-nord.com</a></p>
	<p><b>DAEDO INTERNATIONAL</b>            Botánica 116,            08908 Hospitalet de Llobregat, Barcelona,            SPAIN            Tel: +34 93 454 15 14            Fax: +34 93 453 52 51            E-mail: <a href="mailto:marketing@daedo.com">marketing@daedo.com</a>  <a href="http://www.daedo.com">www.daedo.com</a></p>
	<p><b>BUDOLAND</b>            Am Grießenbach 8            83126 Flintsbach, GERMANY            Phone: +49 (0) 8034 909900            Fax: *49 (0) 8034 9099011            E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@budoland.de">info@budoland.de</a>  <a href="http://www.budoland.com">www.budoland.com</a></p>

	<p><b>SHUREIDO</b>  1-1-6 Tomari, Naha-City  900-0012 – Okinawa, JAPAN  Tel No: +81(98)861 5621  Fax No: +81(98)861 5525  Email: <a href="mailto:shureido@orange.ocn.ne.jp">shureido@orange.ocn.ne.jp</a>  <a href="http://www.shureido-karate.com">www.shureido-karate.com</a></p>
	<p><b>Sports Master Athletic International (SMAI)</b>  96-119 Jardine St,  Fairy Meadow, NSW, 2519, AUSTRALIA  Ph: +61 2 42834363  Fax: +61 2 42855512  E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@smi.com.au">info@smi.com.au</a>  <a href="http://www.smai.com.au">www.smai.com.au</a></p>
	<p><b>TOKAIDO INTERNATIONAL</b>  G/FL., 13 Nanking Street  Yaumatei, Kowloon, HONG KONG  Phone: +49 911 98815 –11  Fax: +49 911 98815 – 99  E-mail: <a href="mailto:Dietmar.Nowak@DAX-Sports.com">Dietmar.Nowak@DAX-Sports.com</a>  <a href="http://www.tokaido.eu">www.tokaido.eu</a></p>
	<p><b>TWIN TOWER ENTERPRISE CORP.</b>  No. 168-13, Chyuan-shin Lii, Shin-huah,  Tainan, TAIWAN  Tel: +886-6-598-2133  Fax: +886-6-597-0840  E-mail: <a href="mailto:twitower@ms43.hinet.net">twitower@ms43.hinet.net</a>  <a href="http://www.wacoku.com">www.wacoku.com</a></p>
	<p><b>WESING</b>  Fujian Weizhixing Sports Goods Co., Ltd.  Binjiang Industrial Park, Xiamei Town, Nan'an  City, Fujian Province 362302, CHINA  Tel: +86-595-2688 9696  Fax: +86-595-8675 6390  E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@wesingsports.com">info@wesingsports.com</a>  <a href="http://www.wesingsports.com">www.wesingsports.com</a></p>

All the information concerning the WKF homologated items for this event can be found on: <https://www.wkf.net/karateprotections/>

<b>TATAMI</b>	
<b>BRAND</b>	<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>
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### **KARATEGIS WITH THE BRAND EMBROIDERED ON THE SHOULDERS**

The Karategis with the embroidered brand of the manufacturer on the shoulders will be accepted for use in the Premier League by those competitors who wish to do so, both for Kata and Kumite in red or blue colour, depending if the competitor is AKA or AO.

**All Grand Winners 2018 must use this embroidered in gold colour.**

The authorized brands to use these karategi models are:

**ADIDAS – ARAWAZA – BUDO NORD – DAEDO – HAYASHI**

**SHUREIDO – SMAI – TOKAIDO – WACOKU – WESING**

## 4 Competition Programme

DAY	DAY / HOUR	COMPETITION
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 - 16:00	Official Accreditation
	10:00 - 16:00	Weighing for all categories
	14:00 – 16:00	Accredited Coach Briefing
	17:00	Draws and Coach meeting
	19:30	Referee Briefing
<b>Friday</b>	09:00 – 19:45	<i>Eliminations &amp; Repechages</i> Kata Individual Female Kata Team Male Male ( -60 ), Female ( -50 ) Male ( -67 ), Female ( -55 ) Male ( -75 )
<b>Saturday</b>	09:00 – 19:30	<i>Eliminations &amp; Repechages</i> Kata Individual Male Kata Team Female Female ( -61 ), Male ( -84 ) Female ( -68 ), Male ( +84 ) Female ( +68 )
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 – 14:00	<i>Third Places Bouts</i> Kata Individual Female / Male Female ( -50 ), Male ( -60 ) Female ( -55 ), Male ( -67 ) Female ( -61 ), Male ( -75 ) Female ( -68 ), Male ( -84 ) Female ( +68 ), Male ( +84 ) Kata Team Female / Male
	14:00 – 14:30	<i>Break</i>
	14:30 – 16:30	<i>Finals (TV Produced)</i> Kata Individual Female / Male Female ( -50 ), Male ( -60 ) Female ( -55 ), Male ( -67 ) Female ( -61 ), Male ( -75 ) Female ( -68 ), Male ( -84 ) Female ( +68 ), Male ( +84 ) Kata Team Female / Male  <b>Award Ceremony</b>

IT IS COMPULSORY TO SEW CORRECTLY THE BACK NUMBER ON THE KARATE-GI BACK. IF THE BACK NUMBER IS NOT PROPERLY SEWN, IT CAN BE A REASON FOR DISQUALIFICATION.



## 5 Site and Date

The competition will take place from Friday 25th to Sunday 27th of January, at the Pierre de Coubertin Stadium (Paris 16)

## 6 Competition Venue

Stadium Pierre de Coubertin – 82, avenue Georges Lafont – 75016 Paris

This Karate 1 – Premier League will be performed on TROCELLEN tatami, WKF Approved.

## 7 Media

### 7.1 TV Production

All the events of the 2019 Karate 1 – Premier League will present TV. The competition on Sunday will be broadcast to a worldwide viewing audience through a high quality TV production which will be made available to TV networks around the world.

### 7.2 Press

Press accreditation can only be given to professional journalists working for a media and having proof of their credentials.

Media professionals can register to request press accreditations through the on line registration form which can be found here: [https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/veranstaltung\\_info\\_main.php?active\\_menu=calendar&vern=262&ver\\_info\\_action=pressregistration#a\\_presshead](https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/veranstaltung_info_main.php?active_menu=calendar&vern=262&ver_info_action=pressregistration#a_presshead)

### **Video recording will not be allowed**

Should you need more information about press or media related issues, please contact directly the World Karate Federation's office: [press@wkf.net](mailto:press@wkf.net)

## 8 Organizer and contacts

FRENCH KARATE FEDERATION (FFK)  
Porte d'Orléans – 39, rue barbès – 92120 Montrouge  
Phone: +33 (0)1 41 17 44 40  
E-Mail: [opendeparis@ffkarate.fr](mailto:opendeparis@ffkarate.fr)

## 9 Online Registration

**The registration starts** two (2) months prior to the event, **on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and close fifteen** (15) days before the tournament, **on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the 12:00 hrs GMT +0 and it is divided in the following three phases (all phases will close at the 12:00 hrs GMT +0 of the listed day);**

- Phase 1, from November 25<sup>th</sup> 2018 to December 9<sup>th</sup> 2018: limited to the NFs, TWO competitors per category and country, ranked among the 50 first of the ranking.
- Phase 2, from December 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 to December 25<sup>th</sup> 2018: In the event that any of the TWO registrations of the phase 1 have not been completed by the NFs, free registration of athletes, ranked among the 50 first of the ranking (always keeping the limit of TWO per country).
- Phase 3, from December 26<sup>th</sup> 2018 to January 10<sup>th</sup> 2019: free registration, limited to 64 athletes per category, ranked among the 100 first of the ranking.

The applicable ranking will be the one updated on the day of the registration opening, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

[http://setopen.sportdata.org/wkfranking/ranking\\_main.php?hidemenu=true&hidedob=true&numberofranked=100&ranking\\_category=0&enddate=2018-11-01](http://setopen.sportdata.org/wkfranking/ranking_main.php?hidemenu=true&hidedob=true&numberofranked=100&ranking_category=0&enddate=2018-11-01)

All **competitors** must be registered online using the online platform;  
<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=262>

All **referees** must be registered online using the online platform;  
<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=297>

All **coaches** must be registered online using the online platform;  
<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=295>

No onsite registration will be accepted. The registration will be validated once completed the online payment through the payment platform. In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the Sportdata software team via the email address office@sportdata.org.

Individuals and National Federations are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data. Once close the online registration, any comments will have to notified to the software and to the WKF at latest five day before the first day of competition.

## 9.1 Technical Support for Online Registration

Web: [https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/index.php?active\\_menu=home](https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/index.php?active_menu=home)

Email: [karate1@sportdata.org](mailto:karate1@sportdata.org)

The official accreditation will take place on Thursday, 24 from 10.00 a.m. to 16.00 p.m. at the Stadium

If changes are required during the official registration session because of incorrect or missing registration data, a fee of € 20 is charged for each change.

At registration, accreditation cards will be issued with the participants main data, a photograph and information about registered categories. The accreditation card must be worn at all times during the event.

Only members of national federations recognized by WKF are admitted to participate, as per Premier League Organising Rules 2019 (PL OR Point 6 Registration).

**All participants must submit an official document (passport or other valid ID card) for the WKF identification and validation at the accreditation session.**

**The accreditation of any competitor must be done by the athlete or the athlete's coach, in person bringing the athlete passport or other valid ID at the accreditation session.**

**The competitor who has not collected, either personally or through his/her coach the accreditation during the official registration, will not be included in the draw.**

**The weighing will be carried out immediately after receiving the accreditation, those athletes who will not attend the weighing will not be included in the draw.**

## 10 Categories

The competition categories are identical to those of Senior World Championships except for Kumite team.

### **KATA**

Individual Female/Male

Team Female/Male

### **KUMITE**

Female -50 kg, -55kg, -61 kg, -68 kg, +68kg

Male -60 kg, -67 kg, -75 kg, -84 kg, +84 kg

## 11 Entry Fee

The entry fees are € 75 per individual category entry and € 150 per team category entry.

### 11.1 Payment

All payments must be process through the online payment platform. No onsite payment will be accepted.

## 12 WKF Accredited Coach

According to the Coach License Manual, **the minimum level required to take part in the Karate 1 events is the “Accredited Coach” level.** To obtain such certification, coaches must attend a compulsory **Coach Briefing**.

## 13 WKF Accredited Coach Briefing, Paris 2019

Please find below the Coach schedule and the details for the registration process:

DAY / HOUR	COACH BRIEFING
Thursday from 14:00 to 16:00 hrs	Stadium Pierre de Coubertin

### Registration (only online)

Those coaches who wish to attend to the “Accredited Coach Briefing” in (Paris) must be registered online and must fill out the “Accreditation Agreement for Coaches” that can be downloaded from the online registration site.

All coach registrations must be made online latest until 10<sup>th</sup> January, through the following link:

<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=298>

Should you have any difficulties when registering, please contact support@sportsid.org for technical support.

### Fees and payment

We would like to remind you that the fee to attend to the “Coach Briefing” and to obtain a new license or to renew your expired license of WKF Accredited Coach is 300 CHF.

All payments must be made through Sportdata platform.  
No other methods of payment will be accepted.

Registrations and payments onsite will not be accepted.

## 14 Prize Money

For individual categories (Kumite and Kata):

- Gold Medalist: 750 €
- Silver Medalist: 500 €
- Third Places: 200 €

For Kata team categories:

- Gold Medalist: 750 €
- Silver Medalist: 500 €
- Third Places: 200 €

## 15 Ranking

Competitors can earn ranking points in every Karate1 event according to the official WKF Ranking Criteria, point 3.2 of the WKF World Ranking Rules; [https://wkf.net/pdf/rules/WRC\\_Ranking%20Regulations\\_Update\\_VF.pdf-eng.pdf](https://wkf.net/pdf/rules/WRC_Ranking%20Regulations_Update_VF.pdf-eng.pdf)

The applicable ranking will be the one updated on the day of the registration opening, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

[http://setopen.sportdata.org/wkfranking/ranking\\_main.php?hidemenu=true&hidedob=true&numberofranked=100&ranking\\_category=0&enddate=2018-11-01](http://setopen.sportdata.org/wkfranking/ranking_main.php?hidemenu=true&hidedob=true&numberofranked=100&ranking_category=0&enddate=2018-11-01)

## 16 Ticket for spectators

The ticket categories and prices are:

Entrance Tickets can be purchased (from 1<sup>st</sup> of December) online through the official website: [www.ffkarate.fr](http://www.ffkarate.fr) / click on the dedicated banne, "A l'affiche", on the right side of the homepage.

Entrance ticket is compulsory for every attendant. Even free tickets need to be booked.

## 17 HQ Hotel

Hotel Mercure Boulogne  
7 place René Clair - 92100 BOULOGNE BILLANCOURT

All meetings and registration will take place in the stadium (SPDC)

## 18 Official Hotels booking

For your information, shuttle buses, from official hotels to the competition venue & return will be provided free of charge by the LOC.

In order to start booking, please click on the link below

[:http://www.toureasports.com/openkarate2019/](http://www.toureasports.com/openkarate2019/)



## KARATE FRENCH OPEN 25.01.2019 - 27.01.2019

ACCOMMODATION	2* HOTELS				3* HOTELS				4* HOTELS									
	Hotel A	Hotel B	Hotel C	Hotel D	Hotel E	Hotel F	Hotel G	Hotel H	Hotel I	Hotel J	Hotel K	Hotel L	Hotel M	Hotel N	Hotel O	Hotel P	Hotel Q	Hotel R
Type of accommodation	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel/Apparthotel	Hotel	Apparthotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel
Distance to Coubertin	0,9km	1,2km	1,4km	1,3	1,6 km	4,8 km	0,4 km	0,7 km	1 km	1,5km	2,6 km	4,8 km	0,2 km	0,4 km	1,5 km	2,6 km	2,9km	3,5 km
Walking Distance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Shuttle of the organization available	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Possibility to take meals at the hotel	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Price per person in Bed & Breakfastin standard single room *	99 €	106 €	94 €	103 €	82 €	55 €	104 €	119 €	119 €	109 €	99 €	69 €	159 €	139 €	116 €	129 €	134 €	122 €
Price per person in Bed & Breakfastin standard twin room *	59 €	64 €	56 €	62 €	51 €	36 €	67 €	73 €	70 €	62 €	59 €	42 €	89 €	87 €	72 €	82 €	79 €	69 €
Price per person in Bed & Breakfastin standard triple room *	/	/	/	/	/	29 €	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	66 €
Higher price on Thursday night than Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No

### TRANSPORTATION

Price available for a minimum of 4 persons - Under 4 persons on request  
25 € per pax for a single journey and 40 € per pax for a round trip journey

\* Week-end price (Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights)



## 19 Visa Requirements

For short stays, European regulations itemize a list of countries whose nationals are exempted from visa requirement to enter the Schengen Area. Exempted from visa requirement to enter France are:

- citizens of the EU, the EEA and Switzerland ;
- nationals of the following countries, whatever the reason for their stay: Albania\*, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Bosnia\*, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Holy See, Honduras, Israel, Macedonia\*, Malaysia, Mauritius, Monaco, Montenegro\*, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, San Marino, Serbia\*, Seychelles, Taiwan (passport bearing identity card number), Uruguay ;

\*bearers of biometric passports only

- nationals of the following countries: Australia, Brazil, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, South Korea, United States, Venezuela, bearers of passports of the Hong Kong special administrative region (People's Republic of China) and the Macau special administrative region (People's Republic of China).

For all other countries, entry visas can be obtained from any French consular Authority.

If you need an invitation letter from the French Karate Federation, please send an email to [opendeparis@ffkarate.fr](mailto:opendeparis@ffkarate.fr) with the details listed below for all members of your delegation: Name / Surname / Nationality/ Date of Birth/ Passport Number

## 20 Omissions

As regards that the specific items are not expressly foreseen in the present bulletin reference is to be made to the general rules and guidelines contained in WKF Regulations.