

BAKU 2021



KARATE1
PREMIER LEAGUE

12 – 14 March 2021



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1. WELCOME MESSAGE

1.1 Greeting from the Head of the host NF

Dear Friends,

It is a great honor for me, on behalf of the Azerbaijan National Karate Federation, to welcome you to the Karate 1 – Premier League in Baku, Azerbaijan.

We successfully hosted the European Junior & Cadet Championships in Baku in 2012. With great expectation and excitement, we look forward to the start of the Karate 1 – Premier League in Baku, which will be held on the eve of the XXXII Summer Olympic Games in Tokyo.

Baku is a historical city where you will find a wide range of cultural and entertainment events that will make your stay unforgettable.

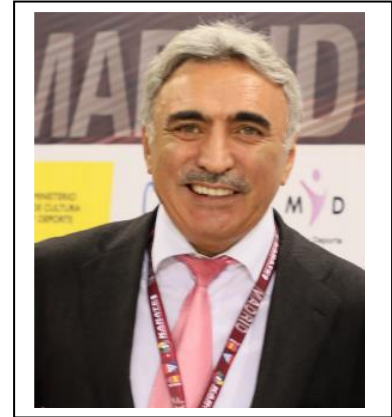
This is a city that has a great sports tradition and an excellent sports infrastructure. The 1st European Games held in Baku in 2015, the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games in 2017, as well as the World Championships in Judo, Wrestling and Rhythmic Gymnastics, the European Championships in Gymnastics, the Champions League football matches and the Formula 1 Grand Prix each left their indelible mark on the sports world. The venue of the European Championships, The National Gymnastic Arena, can be considered the banner-bearer for sports in the city. Our organizing committee will do everything possible to provide the best conditions and to make this event successful and memorable for all. Be assured that you will feel at home.

We would like to thank the WKF and its president, Mr. Antonio Espinós, for their support in organizing these championships. Importantly, we wish to express our most sincere gratitude to Mr. Ilham Aliyev, the President of Azerbaijan, and the President of the National Olympic Committee of Azerbaijan, for his contribution and assistance in the development of our sport. We look forward to your arrival in Baku. Enjoy all that we can offer you. We wish you achieve excellent results.

See you in Baku.

Yashar Bashirov

President of the National Karate Federation of Azerbaijan



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 2021 edition is formed by five events being held in the cities of Lisbon, Baku, Rabat, Tashkent and Moscow thus stating Karate's impact all around the world and its global scale. The city of BAKU hosts a Karate 1-Premier League event for the first time.

At the final Premier League event 2021 or the first Premier League event 2022, 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. INTRODUCTION KARATE 1-PREMIER LEAGUE BAKU 2021

The Karate 1 – Premier League BAKU 2021 will be held next March 12th to 14th, at the Baku Crystal Hall, Sabail District, Bayil Settlement, National Flag Square, AZ1003 Baku.

4. COMPETITION INFORMATION

4.1 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

4.2 Prizes

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 €

5. CONTACTS INFORMATION

5.1 Organizers contact details

Azerbaijan National Karate Federation

Address: "ASK Arena", Heydar Aliyev Avenue 96a, Baku, AZ1129, Azerbaijan

E-mail: wkf@karate.az

Mobile: +994 50 500 08 68

www.karate.az

5.2 Local Organising Committee contact details

Head Coordinator – Saida Mikayilova

E-mail: saida.mikayilova83@gmail.com

Mobile: + 994 50 320 68 68

Coordinator – Bika Gurbanova

E-mail: bikagurbanova@gmail.com

Mobile: + 994 50 500 08 68

Logistics, hotel, transfers, catering and payments – Pasha Travel

E-mail: wkf@karate.az

Mobile: + 994 50 500 08 68

Covid-19 Protocol – Parvin Akbarov

E-mail: parvin_akbarov@yahoo.com

Mobile: + 994 55 222 20 03

5.3 WKF Event Supervisor contact

The WKF Event Supervisor for this Premier League event is Mr. Esteban Perez. His contact details are as follows:

Email: esteban@wkf.net

Telephone: +34 679336867

5.4 Covid Team contact

Michael Wenner (mail: mwenner@wkf.net)

5.5 Safe Sport contact

WKF events must be safe for all athletes and participants and entirely free from any form of non-accidental violence, namely, harassment and abuse. Any such behaviour will not be tolerated.

If you or someone you know has been the victim of abuse or harassment in Karate, get help and report it.

Your first point of contact for any incident at this event is the WKF Event Supervisor, whose contact information you can find detailed above.

Otherwise, any other incident can be reported via the [WKF Official Complaint Form](#) and sent to: safekarate@wkf.net

6. WKF APPROVED PROTECTIONS, KARATEGIS & TATAMIS

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 2021 Karate 1-Premier League Season.

SPORT PROTECTIONS “WKF Approved”



*Click on the logos to see the brand information

KARATEGI “Premier League”

Kumite and Kata karategis with the brand name embroidered on the shoulders in **RED** or **BLUE** are of mandatory use in Karate 1-Premier League tournaments.

The authorized companies to use these karategis models are those with Sport Protections “WKF Approved”, listed below;

ADIDAS – ARAWAZA – BEST SPORTS - BUDO NORD – DAEDO – HAYASHI – PUNOK - SHUREIDO – SMAI – TOKAIDO – WACOKU – WESING

TATAMIS “WKF Approved”



* Click on the logos to see the brand information

7. REFEREE COURSE PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	VENUE
Sunday, 7 th March	10:00 - 15:00	Kata and Kumite registration & payment CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)	HQ Hotel, Boulevard Hotel Baku Autograph
	16:00 - 18:00	Kumite theory and theory examination	
Monday, 8 th March	09:00 - 13:00	Kumite - Practical examination group 1	HQ Hotel, Boulevard Hotel Baku Autograph Collection
	13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
	15:00 - 19:00	Kumite - Practical examination group 2	
Tuesday, 9 th March	09:00 - 13:00	Kumite - Practical examination group 3	HQ Hotel, Boulevard Hotel Baku Autograph Collection
	13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
	15:00 - 19:00	Kumite - Practical examination group 4	
Wednesday, 10 th March	08:30 - 09:00	Second Kata registration and payment	HQ Hotel, Boulevard Hotel Baku Autograph Collection
	09:00 - 11:30	Kata - Theory and theory examination	
	11:30 - 13:30	Kata - Practical instruction	
	13:30 - 14:30	Lunch	
	15:00 - 17:00	Kata - Video examination	
Thursday, 11 th March	08:00 - 15:00	RC administration	HQ Hotel, Boulevard Hotel Baku Autograph Collection
	16:00 - 17:00	Examination Results	
	17:00 - 18:00	License Renewal	
	19:00 - 20:30	Referees Briefing	

Friday 12th – Sunday 14th March

The first two days of the Premier League competition (Friday and Saturday) will be the confirmation event for the Candidates having previously passed the corresponding exam. Therefore, Candidates will have to be available for officiating during these two days of competition.

Baku 2021 - WKF Referee Kata Course

https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/veranstaltung_info_main.php?active_menu=calendar&vern=517#a_eventhead

Baku 2021 - WKF Referee Kumite Course

https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/veranstaltung_info_main.php?active_menu=calendar&vern=516#a_eventhead

14. EVENTS SCHEDULE

DUE TO THE CURRENT EMERGENCY HEALTH SITUATION THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD UNDER THE WKF COVID-19 PROTOCOL;

https://issuu.com/karatewkf/docs/wkf_covid_19_protocol?fr=sODJhODlyNDE5ODQ

https://www.wkf.net/pdf/WKF_COVID_protocol.pdf

In order to respect and properly follow the WKF Covid-19 protocol, **the schedules below will be strictly followed.**

THURSDAY March 11 th , 2021	ACTIVITY	PLACE
ATHLETES REGISTRATION		
09:00 – 17:00 hrs	<p>The onsite registration of ATHLETES will be completed as follows;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONSITE REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATIONS' DELIVERY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WEIGHING</p> <p>Timeslots by alphabetic order of Countries will be applied to ensure a smooth onsite registration process. Such timeslot will be established once finished the online registration.</p>	Baku Crystal Hall
18:30 hrs	DRAWS and COACH MEETING	ONLINE
OFFICIALS REGISTRATION		
09:00 – 17:00 hrs	<p>The onsite registration of OFFICIALS will be completed as follows;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANTIGEN TEST</p> <p>Upon received a negative result of the antigen test, DELIVERY OF ACCREDITATIONS.</p> <p>Timeslots by alphabetic order of Countries will be applied to ensure a smooth onsite registration process. Such timeslot will be in coordination with the Athletes Registration timeslot.</p>	Baku Crystal Hall

OFFICIATED COACHES REGISTRATION (non-attendees to the Coach Programme)

09:00 – 17:00 hrs	<p>The onsite registration for COACHES will be completed as follows;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANTIGEN TEST</p> <p>Upon received a negative result of the antigen test, DELIVERY OF ACCREDITATIONS</p> <p>Timeslots by alphabetic order of Countries will be applied to ensure a smooth onsite registration process. Such timeslot will be in coordination with the Athletes Registration timeslot.</p>	Baku Crystal Hall
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WKF COACH PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

09:00 – 17:00 hrs	<p>The onsite registration for those COACHES PARTICIPANT IN THE WKF COACH PROGRAMME will be completed as follows;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONSITE REGISTRATION AND PRE - ACCREDITATIONS' DELIVERY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANTIGEN TEST</p> <p>THE TIMETABLE FOR THE COACH PROGRAMME IS LISTED BELOW:</p>	Baku Crystal Hall
17:00 – 17:30 hrs	ANTIGEN TEST FOR THOSE COACHES ATTENDING TO THE ACCREDITED COACH BRIEFING	
17:30 – 19:00 hrs	ACCREDITED COACH BRIEFING	
18:00 – 19:00 hrs	ANTIGEN TEST FOR THOSE COACHES ATTENDING TO THE KUMITE EXAMINATION	
19:00 – 19:30 hrs	KUMITE COACH EXAMINATION	
19:00 – 19:30 hrs	ANTIGEN TEST FOR THOSE COACHES ATTENDING TO THE KATA EXAMINATION	
19:30 – 20:00 hrs	KATA COACH EXAMINATION	
20:30 hrs	COACH EXAMINATIONS RESULTS	
20:30 hrs	Upon received a negative result of the antigen test and complete the WKF Coach Programme, DELIVERY OF THE EVENT ACCREDITATIONS	

REFEREES REGISTRATION		
Referee Registration 09:00 – 14:00 hrs	<p>The onsite registration for REFEREES will be completed as follows;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHECKING OF THE COVID DOCUMENTATION (Negative PCR Certificate and WKF Health Questionnaire)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANTIGEN TEST</p> <p>Upon received a negative result of the antigen test, DELIVERY OF ACCREDITATIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFEREE BRIEFING</p> <p>The coaches' meeting will be held in groups* as listed bellow;</p>	
Referee Briefing 15:30 – 19:00	15:00 – 15:30	ANTIGEN TEST – REFEREE GROUP 1
	15:30 – 16:00	REFEREE BRIEFING – REFEREE GROUP 1
	16:00 – 16:30	ANTIGEN TEST – REFEREE GROUP 2
	16:30 – 17:00	REFEREE BRIEFING – REFEREE GROUP 2
	17:00 – 17:30	ANTIGEN TEST – REFEREE GROUP 3
	17:30 – 18:00	REFEREE BRIEFING – REFEREE GROUP 3
	18:00 – 18:30	ANTIGEN TEST – REFEREE GROUP 4
	18:30 – 19:00	REFEREE BRIEFING – REFEREE GROUP 4
	* Attendants to each of the groups will be notified once online registration is closed	

Baku Crystal Hall

COMPETITION PROGRAMME

FRIDAY (March 12 th , 2021)	ACTIVITY	PLACE
<u><i>Eliminations & Semifinals</i></u>		
09:00 hrs	Kata Individual Female	Crystal Hall
11:00 hrs	<i>Kata Team Male</i>	Crystal Hall
<u><i>Eliminations & Repechages</i></u>		
12:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Male – 60 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
14:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Female – 50 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
16:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Male – 67 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
18:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Female – 55 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
20:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Male – 75 kg</i>	Crystal Hall

SATURDAY (March 13 th , 2021)	ACTIVITY	PLACE
<u><i>Eliminations & Semifinals</i></u>		
09:00 hrs	<i>Kata Individual Male</i>	Crystal Hall
11:00 hrs	<i>Kata Team Female</i>	Crystal Hall
<u><i>Eliminations & Repechages</i></u>		
12:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Female – 61 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
14:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Male – 84 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
16:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Female – 68 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
18:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Male + 84 kg</i>	Crystal Hall
20:00 hrs	<i>Kumite Female + 68 kg</i>	Crystal Hall

SUNDAY (March 14 th , 2021)	ACTIVITY	PLACE
<u><i>Third Places Bouts</i></u>		
TV Produced 09:00 hrs	Kata Individual Female/Male	Crystal Hall
	Female (-50), Male (-60)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-55), Male (-67)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-61), Male (-75)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-68), Male (-84)	Crystal Hall
	Female (+68), Male (+84)	Crystal Hall

12:55 hrs	Kata Team Female / Male	Crystal Hall
13:55 hrs	Break	
<i>Finals</i>		
15:00 hrs	Kata Individual Female / Male	Crystal Hall
	Female (-50), Male (-60)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-55), Male (-67)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-61), Male (-75)	Crystal Hall
	Female (-68), Male (-84)	Crystal Hall
	Female (+68), Male (+84)	Crystal Hall
	Kata Team Female / Male	Crystal Hall
18:30 hrs	<i>Award Ceremony</i>	

The detailed competition schedule will be fixed after closing the online registration in order to adequate it to the final number of athletes.

Only the categories appointed will be allowed to stay in the stadium during the authorized timetables.

Detailed information will be communicated at due time.

8. RANKING

Competitors can earn ranking points in every Karate 1 event according to the official WKF Ranking Criteria, point 3.2 of the WKF World Ranking Rules; https://www.wkf.net/pdf/wkf_worldranking_rules.pdf

The applicable ranking will be the one updated on the day of the registration opening, **January 12th, 2021**.

http://setopen.sportdata.org/wkfranking/ranking_main.php?hidemenu=true&hidedob=true&numberofranked=200&ranking_category=0&enddate=2021-01-01

9. ONLINE REGISTRATION & OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

All registration in a Premier League event must be processed ONLINE. Onsite registrations will NOT be accepted.

The registration will be validated once completed the online payment through the payment platform.

9.1 Online Registration Process

The registration starts two (2) months prior to the event, on **12th January, 2021** and close fifteen (15) days before the tournament, on **25th February, 2021 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 January 12th to 26th, 2021**: Limited to the NFs, TWO competitors per category and country, ranked among the position n° 1 and n° 50 (included) of the WKF ranking, regardless of double positions.
- **Phase 2, from January 27th to February 10th, 2021**: If any of the TWO registrations of the phase 1 have not been completed by the NFs, free registration of athletes, ranked among the position n° 1 and n° 50 (included) of the WKF ranking, regardless of double positions (always keeping the limit of TWO per country).
- **Phase 3, from February 11th to 25th, 2021**: Free registration, limited to 64 athletes per category, ranked among the position n° 1 and n° 200 (included) of the WKF ranking, regardless of double positions.

All **competitor** registrations must be made **online** through the following Sportdata link;

<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=470>

All **referee** registrations must be made **online** through the following Sportdata link;

<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=501>

All **coach** registrations must be made **online** through the following Sportdata link;

<https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set.php?id=500>

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 both, the software team and the WKF, at latest five day before the first day of competition.

Technical Support for Online Registration

In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the Sportdata software team via the email address; karate1@sportdata.org or office@sportdata.org

9.2 Entry Fee

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

9.3 Payment

All payments must be processed through the ONLINE PAYMENT PLATFORM. Onsite payments will NOT be accepted.

9.4 Official Accreditation

The official accreditation will take place on Thursday, 11/03/2021, from 09.00 a.m. to 17.00 p.m. at the Baku Crystal Hall

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 2021 (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. BACK NUMBERS

The use of back numbers is compulsory for all categories and modalities in Karate 1 – Premier League events.

All competitors are required to carry - properly sewn on the back of their karategi's jacket - the back number provided at the registration.

If the back number is not properly sewn, it can be a reason for disqualification.

11. WKF COACH PROGRAMME

According to the WKF Coach Educational Programme, **the minimum certification required to take part in Karate 1 – Premier League events is the “Kumite or Kata certification” (level 2).** To obtain such certification, coaches must pass the corresponding **Kumite or Kata examination.**

The Kumite or Kata coach licence can be obtained;

- via the WKF E-learning platform for Coaches; www.elearning-wkf.net
- or by attending to one of the Programmes for Coaches that the WKF held in official events.



A WKF Programme for Coaches will be held in all Karate 1 - Premier League events 2021.

Only coaches in possession of the “WKF Accredited Coach” level have access to the “WKF Kumite or Kata certification“.

Due to the health recommendations of social distancing because of the Covid 19 pandemic, we recommend to obtain/renew the coach licenses through the WKF E-learning platform.

11.1 WKF Programme for Coaches, Baku 2021

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

11.1.1 Schedule

Please see section “7. Event Schedule” for the detailed registration and antigen test schedules.

Accredited Coach Briefing				
Thursday	11/03/2021	from 17:30 hrs	to 19:00 hrs	Baku Crystal Hall
Certified Kumite Coach Examination				
Thursday	11/03/2021	from 19:00 hrs	to 19:30 hrs	Baku Crystal Hall
Certified Kata Coach Examination				
Thursday	11/03/2021	from 19:30 hrs	to 20:00 hrs	Baku Crystal Hall

*** Please note that it is possible to take part in both the “Accredited Coach Briefing” and the “Certified Kata and/or Kumite Coach Exams”.***

11.1.2 Online Registration

Those coaches who wish to attend to the “WKF Coach Programme” in Baku must be registered online with deadline **February 25th, 2021** through the following link:
https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/veranstaltung_info_main.php?active_menu=calendar&vern=503#a_eventhead

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

11.1.3 Fees

We would like to remind you that the fees for the Program for WKF Coaches are as follows:

Briefing for “Accredited Coach” level (new application or license renewal)
300 CHF

Examination for “Certified Kumite Coach” (new application or license renewal)
250 CHF

Examination for “Certified Kata Coach” (new application or license renewal)
250 CHF

11.1.4 Payment

All payments must be made through Sportdata platform.

No other methods of payment will be accepted.

Registrations and payments onsite will not be accepted.

12. MEDIA

12.1 TV Production

All the events of the 2021 Karate 1 – Premier League will broadcast on TV. The competition on Sunday will be available to a worldwide viewing audience through a high-quality TV production which will be provided to TV networks around the world following the agreement of the WKF with these networks.

Due to these agreements VIDEO RECORDING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.

12.2 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_r=470&ver_info_action=pressregistration#a_presshead

Journalists attending the event should provide at the registration an original of a negative PCR nasopharyngeal test, as well as, provide the original Heath Questionnaire that they had to fill in at the time of processing the online registration.

Moreover, they will be required to wear a certified face mask at all times and will be compelled to follow the local sanitary measures and WKF COVID-19 Protocol.

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

13. COMPETITION VENUE

Baku Crystal Hall - Sabail District, Bayil Settlement, National Flag Square, AZ1003 Baku.



OFFICIAL TATAMI FOR THIS TOURNAMENT



14. OFFICIAL HOTELS

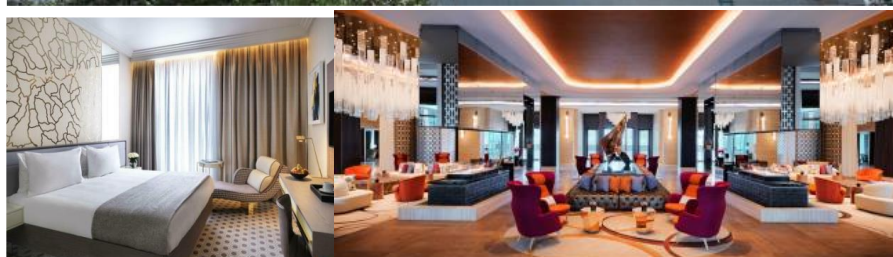
14.1 HQ Hotel

BOULEVARD HOTEL BAKU AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION *****

Located in the heart of Baku White City district, along one of the main routes connecting the city center with Heydar Aliyev International Airport. Upscale comfort awaits in family-friendly hotel rooms, showcasing luxury bedding, free Wi-Fi and panoramic sea views. Energize in our well-equipped fitness center or refresh in the waters of our heated indoor pool. Celebrate and succeed in flexible event spaces, designed for flawless meetings, conferences and social affairs in Baku. The largest convention hotel in Azerbaijan, Boulevard Hotel Baku features 38,933 sq ft of elegant meeting spaces, including a magnificent pillar-free ballroom. Discover an 9 exhilarating hotel stay in one of Azerbaijan's most elegant destinations, perfectly placed along the glittering Caspian Sea.

Distance to competition venue: 10 km

Address: Khagani Rustamov Street 4C, Khatai District, Baku



14.2 Official hotels

THE CROWN HOTEL ****

In the heart of Baku, The Crown Hotel is within a 5-minute drive of Baku Crystal Hall and Azerbaijan State Philharmonic Hall. This 5-star hotel is 2 mi (3.2 km) from Azerbaijan Carpet Museum and 2.5 mi (4.1 km) from Palace of the Shirvan Shahs.

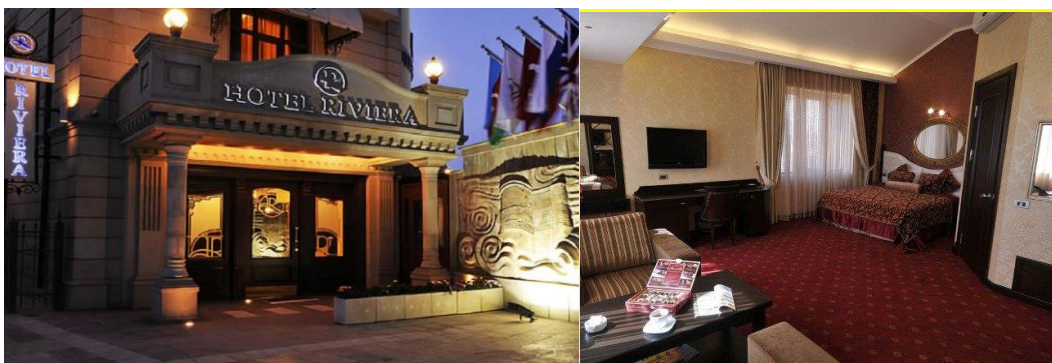
Make yourself at home in one of the 125 air-conditioned rooms featuring refrigerators and minibars. Complimentary wireless Internet access keeps you connected, and satellite programming is available for your entertainment. Private bathrooms with bathtubs or showers feature complimentary toiletries and hair dryers. Conveniences include phones, as well as laptop-compatible safes and desks.



RIVIERA HOTEL ****

The "Riviera" hotel is a luxury hotel for business and leisure tourists visiting Baku that offers an enchanting blend of two distinct influences: traditionally Azeri and magnificently European. The "Riviera" hotel is located near the harbor of the Caspian Sea in the centre of Baku. Hotel allows for speedy connections to "International Airport" named after H. Aliyev, to the main shopping areas and major commercial offices. The hotel offers fantastic view of the city and the Caspian Sea.

These gracefully decorated rooms have a distinctive European theme, are spacious, have either a king or twin beds. All rooms have individually controlled air conditioning, high-speed Internet access, cable TV with international channels, safe and minibar. Evening turndown is provided.



14.3 Hotels Prices

HQ HOTEL	Bed & Breakfast			Half Board			Full Board		
	Single	Double	Triple	Single	Double	Triple	Single	Double	Triple
Boulevard Hotel*****	85 EUR	50 EUR	---	114 EUR	79 EUR	---	143 EUR	108 EUR	---

HOTEL	SINGLE	DOUBLE	TRIPLE	LUNCH	DINNER
Crown Hotel ****	60 EUR	80 EUR	100 EUR	15 EUR	10 EUR
Riviera Hotel ****	70 EUR	90 EUR	---	15 EUR	10 EUR

Logistics, hotel, transfers, catering and payments – Pasha Travel

E-mail: wkf@karate.az

Mobile: + 994 50 500 08 68

15. COVID-19 SANITARY PROTOCOL

IN COORDINATION WITH THE WKF COVID TEAM

DUE TO THE CURRENT EMERGENCY HEALTH SITUATION THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD UNDER THE WKF COVID-19 PROTOCOL;

https://issuu.com/karatewkf/docs/wkf_covid_19_protocol?fr=sODJhODIyNDE5ODQ
https://www.wkf.net/pdf/WKF_COVID_protocol.pdf

Video documentary on the application of the WKF Covid-19 Protocol:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8pu7nK2xB4o&t=57s>

16. VISA REQUIREMENTS

For details of Visa application and equipment please contact your nearest Azerbaijan Embassy or representative.

Note: If you need VISA support with the additional fee, you can contact us by e-mail: wkf@karate.az

17. CITY / COUNTRY INFORMATION

17.1 About Baku



Baku is an ancient and classic city, first mentioning of which is dated as early as the beginning of the Common Era. The capital of the Republic of Azerbaijan was famous in the period of early and developed Middle Ages as a significant center of oil production and refining. The biggest port on the Caspian sea was the capital of Baku khanate, the administrative center of Baku governorate, the capital of the Azerbaijan

Democratic Republic (1918 - 1920, the first democratic state on the whole East) and further the capital of Azerbaijan SSR.

Baku is derived from the Persian name of the city Bād-kube, meaning "Wind-pounded city". The city's nickname is the "City of Winds".

Monuments and other interesting sites

Civil architecture

- National Museum of History of Azerbaijan
- Nizami Museum of Azerbaijani Literature
- Maiden Tower
- Down Town
- Yanar Dağ (burning mountain)

Religious architecture

- Bibi-Heybat Mosque
- Bibi-Heybat Mosque
- Taza Pir Mosque
- Heydar Mosque
- Juma Mosque

Other interesting sites

- Flame Towers
- Heydar Aliyev Center
- Carpet Museum
- Baku Boulevard
- Nizami str.

17.2 How to get to Baku

Baku's international airport is **Heydar Aliyev International Airport**.

There are more than 30 airlines which fly to Azerbaijan

Transportation will be arranged according to the number of participants in your delegation and the rates will count for one way. In case you require any extra service, please contact the organizers.

Shuttles on an hourly basis between the hotel and the venue will be free of charge for the teams staying in the official hotels.

17.3 Practical Information

Currency

Azerbaijan currency is the Manat.

Currency Converter Link: <http://www.xe.com/en/currencyconverter/>

Electricity

In Azerbaijan the power sockets are of types C and F. The standard voltage is 230 V and the frequency is 50 Hz 26

Language

Official language in Azerbaijan is Azerbaijani. All representatives of OC speak English. Local population also speak basic English, Russian and Turkish.

Time

GMT+4

Weather

March usually has some windy but pleasant, cold days. The average maximum temperature in Baku in March is 20°C and the average minimum temperature is 6°C.

Insurance

It is obligatory for all the participants and members of the participating delegations have their own medical and personal trip insurance. The Azerbaijan Karate Federation and the World Karate Federation as well as the Organizing Committee assume no liability or responsibility for the lack of insurance from participants and members of the delegations.

Communication

To call Azerbaijan from abroad you have to dial the international code 00, followed by the Azerbaijan country code 994.

Example: 00 994 50 500 08 68.

Or “+” and Azerbaijan country code 994, than number.

Example: +994 50 500 08 68 27

Important Phone Numbers

112/103 – Emergencies / Ambulance

102 – Police

18. 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.