RULES AND CATEGORIES

ROMANIAN INTERNATIONAL OPEN – SKDUN KARATE

12 SEPTEMBER 2026

GABRIELA SZABO SPORTS HALL, VOLUNTARI

Rules and Categories - Romanian OPEN - Karate SKDUN
12 September 2026, Gabriela Szabo Sports Hall, Voluntari

Brown and Black belts (3 kyu – Dan)

KATA INDIVIDUAL

001.CHILDREN (8 – 11 years) male: 3 kyu - Dan
002. CHILDREN (8 – 11 years) female: 3 kyu - Dan
003.MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) male: 3 Kyu – Dan
004.MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) female: 3 Kyu – Dan
005.CADETI (14 – 15 years) male: 3 – 1 Kyu
006.CADETI (14 – 15 years) female: 3 – 1 Kyu
007.JUNIORS (16 – 17 years) male: 3 – 1 Kyu
008.JUNIORS (16 – 17 years) female: 3 – 1 Kyu
009. over 18 years SENIORS masc, 3 – 1 Kyu
010. over 18 years SENIORS female, 3 – 1 Kyu

Kata rules for categories: 001 - 010: All rounds will be conducted using the scoring system (**Tensu Hoshiki**).
Athletes in each category will perform one or, where applicable, two preliminary elimination rounds, with two athletes competing at the same time: **AKA/SHIRO**. However, the performances will be evaluated using scores, not flags, until the final round, for which eight athletes will qualify.
During the preliminary elimination rounds, athletes will be required to perform one kata selected from the following:
Heian Shodan, Heian Nidan, Heian Sandan, Heian Yondan, Heian Godan or Tekki Shodan.
The compulsory kata will be selected by draw before the start of the respective category by the **Tatami Chief Referee**.
Final Round – 8 Athletes
In the final round, athletes may perform any kata. Based on the results of this round, 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be determined.
In the event of a tie, the athletes must perform a different kata.

011. CADETI, 14 – 17 years masc, Dan
012. CADETI, 14 – 17 years female, Dan
013. SENIORI, 18 – 34 years masc, Dan
014. SENIORI, 18 – 34 years masc, Dan
015. VETERANS, over 35 years masc, Dan
016. VETERANS, over 35 years female, Dan

Kata rules for categories: 011 si 016: All rounds will be judged using the scoring system (**Tensu Hoshiki**).
Athletes in each category will perform one or, where applicable, two preliminary elimination rounds, with two athletes competing at the same time: **AKA/SHIRO**. The performances will be judged using scores, not flags, until the final round, for which eight athletes will qualify.
During the preliminary elimination rounds, athletes will be required to perform one of the following kata:
Bassai Dai, Jion or Empi.
The compulsory kata will be selected by draw before the start of the respective category by the **Tatami Chief Referee**.
Final Round – 8 Athletes
In the final round, athletes may perform any kata. Based on the results of this round, 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be determined.
In the event of a tie, the athletes must perform a kata different from those previously performed.

KUMITE INDIVIDUAL
Brown and Black belts (3 kyu – Dan)

KUMITE SHOBU IPPON

CHILDREN (8 – 11 years), 1 min 30 sec
017.Masc 018.Fem
MINICADETS (12 – 13 years), 1 min 30 sec
019. Masc 020.Fem
CADETI (14 – 15 years), 2 minutes
021. Masc 022.Fem
JUNIORS (16 – 17 years), 2 minutes
023. Masc 024.Fem
SENIORS 18 – 34 years, 2 minutes
025. Masc 026. Fem
VETERANS over 35 years, 2 minutes
027. Masc

KUMITE SHOBU SANBON

CHILDREN (8 – 11 years), 1 min 30 sec
028.Masc 029.Fem
MINICADETS (12 – 13 years), 1 min 30 sec
030. Masc 031.Fem
CADETI (14 – 15 years), 2 minutes
032. Masc 033.Fem
JUNIORS (16 – 17 years), 2 minutes
034. Masc 035.Fem
SENIORS over 18 – 34 years, 2 minutes
036. Masc 037. Fem

If a large number of athletes register in an age category, the category will be divided into weight divisions. These divisions will be announced immediately after registration closes, specifically on **2 September 2026**.

White, Yellow, Orange, Green and Blue belts: 9 – 4 kyu

KATA INDIVIDUAL

038. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
039. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu
040. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
041. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu
042. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
043. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu
044. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
045. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu
046. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
047. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu
048. SENIORS (over 18 years) male: 9 – 4 kyu
049. SENIORS (over 18 years) female: 9 – 4 kyu

If a large number of athletes register in an age category, the category will be divided according to skill (kyu) level. If fewer than three athletes register in a category, it will be merged with the immediately younger or older age category.

Kata Rules

If preliminary elimination rounds are required, they will be conducted using the flag system (**Kohaku Hoshiki**). Athletes will compete until only eight athletes remain, who will qualify for the final.
Athletes in categories that include **9th Kyu** will perform **Taikyoku Shodan** in the preliminary round.
Athletes in categories that include at least **8th Kyu** will perform **Heian Shodan** in the preliminary round.
Athletes in categories that include at least **7th Kyu** will perform **Heian Shodan** in the preliminary round.
Athletes in categories that include at least **6th, 5th or 4th Kyu** will perform **Heian Nidan** in the preliminary round.
Athletes in categories that include **9th, 8th or 7th Kyu** may perform any of the following kata in the final:
Taikyoku Shodan, Heian Shodan, Heian Nidan, Heian Sandan, Heian Yondan or Heian Godan.
They may repeat the compulsory kata performed in the preliminary round. They may also repeat a kata in the event of a tie-break.
Athletes in categories that include at least **6th, 5th or 4th Kyu** may perform any kata of their choice in the final, including advanced kata, but they may not repeat the compulsory kata performed in the preliminary round. They may also not repeat a kata in the event of a tie-break.

KUMITE INDIVIDUAL: Kihon Ippon Kumite, Kihon Sanbon Kumite, Jiyu Kumite (Kumite Shobu Ippon)

050. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 4 kyu
051. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 4 kyu
052. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 4 kyu
053. CHILDREN 1 (4 – 7 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 4 kyu

054. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 4 kyu
055. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 4 kyu
056. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 4 kyu
057. CHILDREN 2 (8 – 9 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 4 kyu

058. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
059. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
060. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu
061. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Jiyu Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu

062. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
063. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
064. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu
065. CHILDREN 3 (10 – 11 years) Jiyu Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu

066. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
067. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
068. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu
069. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Jiyu Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu

070. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
071. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
072. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu
073. MINICADETS (12 – 13 years) Jiyu Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu

074. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
075. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
076. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu
077. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Jiyu Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu

078. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
079. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
080. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu
081. CADETS/JUNIORS (14 – 17 years) Jiyu Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu

082. SENIORS (over 18 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
083 SENIORS (over 18 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 9 – 7 kyu
084. SENIORS (over 18 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu
085. SENIORS (over 18 years) Jiyu Kumite, male: 6 – 4 kyu

086. SENIORI (over 18 years) Kihon Sanbon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
087. SENIORI (over 18 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 9 – 7 kyu
088. SENIORI (over 18 years) Kihon Ippon Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu
089. SENIORI (over 18 years) Jiyu Kumite, female: 6 – 4 kyu

If a large number of athletes register in an age category, the category will be divided according to skill (kyu) level or weight category, especially for the Jiyu Kumite events. If fewer than three athletes register in a category, it will be merged with the immediately younger or older age category.
The weigh-in will be carried out only at the coaches' request, before the start of the respective category. A tolerance of 1 kg will be allowed, with the athlete wearing underwear.
Registrations will be made online through the Sportdata website.
Please remember to update the athletes' grade and weight on Sportdata if any changes have occurred.
For further details, please contact Bogdan Brata: **+40 745 168 006**
The Sportdata registration deadline is **Tuesday, 1 September 2026, at 23:00**.
After registration closes, you will receive the complete list of categories the following day.
You will have the opportunity to make changes, delete athletes or add athletes until **Saturday, 5 September 2026**.
After this date, no further changes or new registrations will be accepted.
The competition fee is **40 EURO per athlete** if participating in only one event and **70 EURO per athlete** if participating in two or more events. The fee may be paid at the competition.
Athletes must have a valid medical certificate and valid medical insurance.
The exact championship schedule will be announced on **Wednesday, Thursday, 4 September 2026**.