



WORLD KARATE FEDERATION

FORMAT OF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (Applicable from 1/1/2009)			
WORLD CADET & JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS		WORLD SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS	
GENERAL	CATEGORIES		GENERAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The competition will last for 3 days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). ❖ Each National Federation (NF) can register one (1) competitor per category. ❖ At the draw, the four medallists of the previous championships will be split as much as possible. (The competitors in the case of the individual events and the NF's in the case of the Kata team events). ❖ The championships will be displayed in 5 or 6 competition areas, depending on the stadium's features. ❖ Kumite bouts duration 2 minutes in all cases. 	CADET	JUNIOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The competition will last for 4 days (Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday). ❖ Team events will be held after the individual events. ❖ Each NF can register one (1) competitor per category. ❖ At the draw, the four medallists of the previous championships will be separated as much as possible. (The competitors in the case of the individual events and the NF's in the case of the team events). ❖ The championships will be always displayed in 4 (four) competition areas in line. ❖ There will be no breaks. For catering service of referees and officials, specific areas and timetables must be provided. ❖ Kumite bouts duration 3 minutes for male and 2 minutes for female, except 4 minutes for male individual and 3 minutes for female individual in the final and in the semi-finals when a medal is disputed. ❖ Bunkai in Kata team (male & female) to be performed in the final and the semi-finals when a medal is disputed.
	<i>Individual Kata (age 14/15)</i>	<i>Individual Kata (age 16/17)</i>	<i>Individual Kata (age +16)</i>
	Male Female	Male Female	Male Female
	<i>Male Individual Kumite (age 14/15)</i>	<i>Male Individual Kumite (age 16/17)</i>	<i>Male individual Kumite (age +18)</i>
	-52 Kg	-55 Kg	-60 Kg
	-57 Kg	-61 Kg	-67 Kg
	-63 Kg	-68 Kg	-75 Kg
	-70 Kg	-76 Kg	-84 Kg
	+70 Kg	+76 Kg	+84 Kg
	<i>Female Individual Kumite (age 14/15)</i>	<i>Female Individual Kumite (age 16/17)</i>	<i>Female individual kumite (age +18)</i>
	-47 Kg	-48 Kg	-50 Kg
	-54 Kg	-53 Kg	-55 Kg
	+54 Kg	-59 Kg	-61 Kg
		+59 Kg	-68 Kg
		<i>Team Kata (age 14/17)</i>	+68 Kg
		Male Female	<i>Team Kata (age +16)</i>
		Male Female	
		<i>Team Kumite (age +18)</i>	
		Male Female	
Total	10	13	16



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