KOFUKAN INTERNATIONAL CUP 2023



15.16

APRIL 2023

CELJE - SLOVENIA









INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Keiji Tomiyama, President of Shito-ryu Karate-do Kofukan International



Welcome back to the Kofukan International Cup after three years of absence due to the Covid-19 pandemic. As we all know, it has been very hard to keep our clubs and organizations going. We are now able to organize this event thanks to the removal of restrictions by most countries, but many of our member country organizations have not fully recovered yet. So the number of participating countries may unfortunately be lower than usual. Despite this, I hope everybody fortunate enough to gather here will enjoy the occasion. I also hope those who could not participate this year will be able to come next year. I am very grateful to Kofukan Slovenia for organizing this year's event despite the many unknown factors. Thank you.

Branko Cimperman, president of Kofukan Slovenia



We at Kofukan Slovenia are really happy to be able to organize the current international Kofukan Championship, which we last organized in 2014 in Podčetrtek. We strive to make you feel comfortable in our circle and our organization, and at the same time to relive the wonderful sports moments of all our Shito Ryu athletes. Welcome to the city of Celje, we will do our best to make you feel comfortable.



Borut Strojin, president of Karate federation of Slovenia

Dear competitors and fans of karate, it is my honor and pleasure to welcome you on behalf of the Karate Federation of Slovenia. I am sure that the Kofukan Federation of Slovenia will be a good organizer of the iternational competition and that the event will combine friendship and high-quality sports fights. I look forward to meeting you and invite you to Celje on 15-17. April 2023.

Mitja Stisovič, Head of the instructor committee Kofukan Slovenia



Dear friends of karate, competitors and distinguished guests.

I am happy that the next Kofukan international event will be in my hometown Celje, where Shito-ryu has been trained according to the method of our Kofukan organization for 35 years. I am especially happy that our knowledge is progressing in the form of the sports successes of our students. I am looking forward to the event and invite you on the 15th-17th. in April in Celje. We will make sure you feel comfortable.

ORGANIZER AND CONTACTS

COMPETITON CONTACT

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ABOUT SLOVENIA / CELJE

Slovenia is pretty small really – it's only about half the size of Switzerland. **Location:** Slovenia is in central Europe, bordering Austria in the north, Hungary in the north-east, Croatia in the south and south-east, and Italy and the Adriatic Sea in the west.

Capital: Ljubljana
Population: 2,000,000
Total Area: 20,273 sq km
People per sq km: 95

Language: Slovenian, but most speak English, German or Italian.

Currency: Euro (€)

Celje is the town of the Counts of Celje because of one of the most powerful European noble families. Celje Castle and the town centre are surrounded by a green environment where you can take an active break. The nearby hop-growing Žalec is home to the internationally known attraction the Green Gold Fountain.

WHOEVER CARRIES STARS IN THEIR COAT-OF-ARMS SHOULD RISE UP TO THE STARS.



ACCOMMODATION

Hotel	Distance from Sport Hall	Double BB	Single BB
Hotel Evropa 4*	500 m	Standard 90,00 €/room	Standard 80,00 €/person
		Superior 120,00 €/room	Superior 110,00 €/person
Hotel Faraon 3*	900 m	Double room 75,00 €/room	Single room 54€/person
		Triple room 99,00 €/room	
MCC Hostel	100 m	Double room 23,00 €/person	Single room 31,00 €/person
		Multi -bed room 19,00 €/person	+ 4,00 € breakfast (150 m away)

*BB = bed & breakfast







Airport

Celje - Airport Ljubljana 80 km

Celje – Airport Zagreb (Croatia) 100 km

Celje – Airport Gradz (Austria) 120 km

EVENT PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION		
14.04.2023 14.04.2023 14.04.2023	10:00 - 17:00 17:30 - 19:00 12:00 - 19:00	Registration delegations Meeting heads of delegations Weighing all categories	Hotel Evropa - Congres hall Hotel Evropa - Congres hall Hotel Evropa - Congres hall		
Competiton DAY 1					
15.04.2023 15.04.2023 15.04.2023	9:00 - 10:00 10:00 12:00 - 13:00	Judge's commission Competition juniors, seniors & teams Open ceremony	Sport Hall Celje Sport Hall Celje Sport Hall Celje		
16.04.2023 16.04.2023 16.04.2023	9:00 - 10:00 10:00 20:00	Competiton DAY 2 Judge's commission Competition children & kadets Sayonara party	Sport Hall Celje Sport Hall Celje		
Departure day					
17.04.2023	11:00 - 16:00	Guided tour around Celje			

Deadline reservation Hotels - 01. March 2023

Deadline payment Hotels - 01. April 2023

Deadline registration competitors - 15. March 2023

Payment

Kata / kumite individual: 30 EUR (50 EUR for two entries)

Kata / kumite team: 60 EUR

Name of beneficiary Shito-ryu karate-do Kofukan zveza Slovenije Beneficiary`s address Parižlje 19 b, 3314 Braslovče, Slovenija

IBAN SI56 0311 6100 0627 648
Bank SKB banka d.d. Ljubljana

KIC 2023 CATEGORIES

Senior & Junior

Senior Team Kata (16yrs+)

Senior Female Individual Kata (18yrs+)

Senior Male Individual Kata (18yrs+)

Junior Female Individual Kata (16/17 years)

Junior Male Individual Kata (16/17 years)

Senior Female Kumite – 3-person Team x maximum 1 team per country Senior Male Kumite – 5-person Team x maximum 1 team per country

Senior Female Individual Kumite - 3 or 4 weight groups Senior Male Individual Kumite - 3 or 4 weight groups

Junior Male Kumite (16/17 years) – 3-person Team Junior Female Kumite (16/17 years) – 3-person Team

Junior Female Individual Kumite (16/17 years) Junior Male Individual Kumite (16/17 years)

Divided by weight where possible

Under 16 years

Kata Under 16 yrs – Team, 3-person mixed

Girls Kata - Under 10 yrs

Girls Kata – 10 yrs

Girls Kata 11/12 yrs

Girls Kata - 13 yrs KATA

Cadet Girls Kata - 14/15 yrs

Boys Kata Under 10 yrs

Boys Kata - 10 yrs

Boys Kata - 11/12 yrs

Boys Kata - 13 yrs

Cadet Boys Kata - 14/15 yrs

Girls Kumite - 10/11 yrs

Girls Kumite - 12/13 yrs

Cadet Girls Kumite - 14/15 yrs

Boys Kumite - 10/11 yrs

Boys Kumite - 12/13 yrs

Cadet Boys Kumite - 14/15 yrs

KATA
DIVIDED BY GRADE
WHERE POSSIBLE

Individual Kumite divided by height where possible (Small, Medium, Tall) Possibly by grade also depending on numbers

PARTICIPATION

• SENIOR (18 YEARS +): Individual Kata and Kumite categories are limited to 7 male and 7 female competitors per country.

Senior Team Kumite categories are limited to 1 team per country.

Senior Team Kata is for age 16 +, as agreed at the 2016 Pre-tournament meeting. A maximum of 2 mixed teams per country will be allowed (mixed by age and sex as desired). There will be no Junior Team Kata.

- JUNIOR (16/17 years): entries are unlimited to Junior Individual Kata and Kumite categories as well as Junior Team Kumite events.
- •Under 16 year: entries are unlimited to U16 Individual Kata and Kumite categories as well as the U16 Team Kata event. Lowest grade for U16 kumite is Yellow belt.
- All participants should wear a white karate gi and have red and blue belts, red and blue mitts, red and blue shin and foot guards. Gum guards are compulsory. Protection as specified by the Secretariat.

AGE

Minimum age for participating is 10 years old in kumite, and 7 in kata.

Age on 15 April 2023 (first day of the competition) decides which age category the competitor should enter.

Age categories in Kumite may be divided into groups by height and / or weight. This means that all entries must be made showing height in centimetres and weight in kilos.

Then if necessary the groups will be split as fairly as possible.

The Organizer will be dividing competitors by those criteria into the right category and will be checking the authenticity of data on the day of contest.

KUMITE

In Children's Kumite the first competitor to gain 6 points will be the winner (as agreed by delegates at the meeting in 2011).

WKF scoring rules will be followed for all the groups in terms of contact, penalties and scoring. (8 points)

LENGTH OF MATCHES:

- Under 16 years Kumite: Time to be decided
- 16 & 17s Kumite: Time 2 mins.
- Senior Kumite: Time: Female 2 mins.; Male 3 mins.
- 16/17 Team kumite: Each team is 3 competitors of either 16 or 17 years old plus 1 reserve.

ALL TEAM CONTESTS ARE OPEN WEIGHT AND HEIGHT, SO COACHES MUST ASSURE THAT THEIR ATHLETES CAN TOLERATE THE POTENTIAL DIFFERENCES

As agreed at the meeting in 2010, the minimum number normally required to hold a contest in any individual division is 4. If competitor numbers are less than 4 the division will be combined with the division above (higher weight).

KATA

Using Kofukan Association rules as below

Under 16 years Kata:

- In individual categories, free choice of kata, but the competitor must perform a different kata in the bronze final and the final, than they performed in the previous round.
- In team kata:
- free choice of kata, and the team can perform the same kata throughout the competition;
- No bunkai required.

Kata Requirements:

- For 7 to 13 years any kata allowed
- For 14 and 15 years, no Pinan Katas will be allowed
- Junior (16/17 Year) & Senior (over 18 years) Kata as below

Junior & Senior Individual Kata events:

If there are more than 8 participants in a category, 2 preliminary rounds using the points system will take place to determine the top 8 competitors.

In this case, all participants in the category will perform one Itosu kata (list A) and one Higaonna kata (list B), though not necessarily in that order.

The highest scoring 8 competitors will go through to the following knock-out rounds using the flag system.

If there are 8 participants or less in a category, they will go directly to the knock-out rounds using the flag system.

In the knock-out rounds any kata from list A, B or C can be performed.

No kata to be repeated within the first 5 rounds.

Team:

Teams are required to perform a minimum of 2 different katas from list A, B or C below, ie a different kata in the bronze final and the final than they performed in the previous round.

NO BUNKAI REQUIRED

KATA LIST A: ITOSU

- Bassai-Dai
- · Bassai-Sho
- Kosokun-Dai
- Kosokun-Sho
- Shiho-Kosokun
- Jitte
- Jiin
- Jion
- Wanshu
- Matsukaze
- Rohai- Shodan
- Rohai-Nidan
- Rohai-Sandan
- Chinto
- Chintei
- Useishi

Seienchii

KATA LIST B: HIGAONNA

- SaifaSeienchin
- Seisan
- Seipai
- Sanseiru
- Shissochin
- Kururunfa
- Suparinpai

KATA LIST C: OTHER

- Niseishi
- Sochin
- Unshu
- · Koshiki-Rohai,
- Annanko
- Shinpa
- Juroku
- Nipapo
- · Matsumura- no-Bassai
- · Tomari-Bassai,
- Matsumura-no-Seisan
- Chatan'yara-no-Kosokun
- Anan
- Heiku
- Paiku
- Pachu