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Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games for Karatedo Event:

In response to the request of the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China ("SF&OC") about Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games ("2026 AG"), the selected athletes need to be nominated for the competition. Therefore, The Selection and Appeal Mechanism of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. ("KFHKCL") has been formulated and the Nomination List of Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games (Karatedo event) will be recommended by the Nomination Committee of KFHKCL.

(1) Introduction

Asian Games will be held in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, from 19 September to 4 October 2026. The SF&OC will arrange representatives to attend the event, the Selection Committee of SF&OC was established to coordinate the delegation's participation.

(2) Eligibility of athletes

- I. Must be a current member of the Hong Kong Karate training team (including the Elite Training Grant and Potential Training team of the Hong Kong Sports Institute and Feeder System Scheme - Pre-Squad Training);
- II. The training attendance rate of Feeder system should be at least 50% or above;
- III. Athletes should pass the required medical check up to demonstrate his/her fitness for competition; and
- IV. Athletes should comply with the requirements (including eligibility code, e.g. possess valid HKSAR Passport) and guidelines set by Aichi-Nagoya 2026 AG Organizing Committee, Olympic Council of Asia and SF&OC.



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(3) Participating Requirement

According to the guidelines set by Aichi-Nagoya 2026 AG Organizing Committee and Olympic Council of Asia and SF&OC:

I. Age

Kata: above the age of 16, born on or before 20 September 2010;

Kumite: above the age of 18, born on or before 20 September 2008.

II. Event Categories

- Men: Individual Kata, Team Kata, Kumite -55KG, Kumite -60KG, Kumite -67KG, Kumite -75KG, Kumite -84KG and Kumite +84KG.
- Women: Individual Kata, Team Kata, Kumite -50KG, Kumite -55KG, Kumite -61KG, Kumite -68KG and Kumite +68KG.

III. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC

- i. Each NOC may register up to five (5) male athletes and five (5) female athletes across Kata and Kumite events.
- ii. Individual Events

Each NOC may enter athletes in a maximum of three (3) individual events per gender across Kata and Kumite.

Kata (Individual): up to three (3) athletes per gender.

Kumite (Individual): one (1) athlete per weight category, with a maximum of three (3) athletes per gender.
- iii. Team Kata

The Team Kata event is only open to NOCs that have entered at least one athlete in the Individual Kata event of the same gender.

Each team consists of three (3) athletes. At least one member of the Team Kata must also compete in the Individual Kata event.
- iv. Athlete Allocation Principle

If an NOC enters Kata and participates in the Team Kata event, additional athletes may be registered to form the team. As a result, the maximum number of athletes per gender may reach five (5).



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(4) Nomination Process

- I. The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. will complete the selection mechanism and appeal mechanism refer to Athlete Selection Policy & Guideline of SF&OC.
- II. The Federation will e-mail the relevant selection mechanism, selection criteria and requirements, and appeal mechanism to all members of the Hong Kong Karate Training Team and each dojo member. The relevant selection information will also be published on the website of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd.
- III. The Headquarter Dojo In-charge can propose their eligible athletes to participate in the competition based on the athletes' qualifications and selection criteria. The deadline for nomination on 30 April 2026 noon.
- IV. The KFHKCL's nomination committee selects the best athlete from the proposed eligible athletes based on the following "selection criteria", and submits the list to the Selection Committee of SF&OC on or before 20 May 2026.
- V. Tier One Selection Criteria: -
Firstly, Athletes possess the following outstanding results in previous international competitions shall automatically be selected to participate in the respective Games. No weighting will be set for these criteria considering that athletes shall be selected once they can fulfill any one of the criteria listed. If more than one athlete has the eligibility in the same category or the category has not any eligible athlete, the Tier Two Selection will be applied.
 1. From 2022 - 2026, the World Karate Championships (senior) - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
 2. From 2022 - 2026, the Asian Karate Championships (senior) - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the Asian Karate Federation);
 3. From 2022 - 2026, the Asian Games (recognized by the Asian Karate Federation) ranked 1st to 8th;

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4. Within 4 years, from 2022 - 2026, the World Games / the World University Karate Championship FISU, including The World Games 2022 Birmingham, The World Games 2025 Chengdu, Chengdu 2021 FISU World University Games (held in 2023) and Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
5. Participated in recent Olympic Games or multi-sports Games owned by ANOC (within 4 years, from 2022 - 2026) in the same or higher level of the Games concerned (senior) including Pairs 2024 Olympic Games (Athlete can be counted 2 score points while in the Tier Two Selection Criteria)

* On condition that there was a minimum of four participants in the competition(s) AND the athlete(s) ranked in the top one-third among the total number of participants.

For team event, all of the athletes nominated among the team fulfilled the above shall automatically be selected.

VI. Tier Two Selection Criteria: -

It mainly calculates the accumulated scores obtained in the international competitions which are listed in Tier One Selection Criteria (according to the "Evaluation Criteria for Elite Vote Support" formulated by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and as attached for reference). From 1 January 2022 to 30 April 2026, the winner will be the highest cumulative total score. If two or more athletes' total score are the same or the category has not any eligible athlete, the Tier Three Selection will be applied.

VII. Tier Three Selection Criteria: -

If two or more athletes' total score are the same or some category have not any eligible athlete in Tier Two Selection, the following another set of competitions (at least 3 score event) will be re-considered to count in their achievement (according to the "Evaluation Criteria for Elite Vote Support" formulated by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and as attached for reference). From 1 January 2022 to 30 April 2026, the winner will be the highest cumulative total score.

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1. From 2022 - 2026, the Karate1 Premier League (4 score event) - ranked 1st to 8th (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
2. From 2022 - 2026, the Karate1 Series A (3 score event) - ranked 1st to 3rd (recognized by the World Karate Federation);
3. From 2022 - 2026, the National Final Stage Championship - ranked 1st to 3rd (recognized by the China Karate Association).

Remarks (Applied to Tier One, Tier Two and Tier Three Selection): -

1. The athlete's achievement counts must win at least one match in the event;
2. The event with participation of SIX or more current top ten ranking athletes in the WKF Current Ranking will be considered equivalent to an event at the 4 or 5 point level;
3. The achievement counts only if there were at least four participating regions/countries in the relevant category and the athlete ranked in the top one-third among the total number of participants;
4. If the competition does not adopt the Repechage scoring system, the adopted scoring system will be counted in the score for the 4th-8th place;
5. If the athlete(s) ranked in the top two-third among the total number of participants, he/she can list out the details in the nomination form for further consideration in Tier Two and Tier Three.

VIII. If after three tiers selections, including same years, two or more athletes have the same performance and scores, they have participated in one of the following major sports games, additional consideration may be given as the following sequences:

- 1) Athletes or teams ranked Top 8 in the competitions mentioned in V.) Tier One Selection Criteria.
- 2) Athletes or teams win a medal in the international sports events in 2022 - 2026 sanctioned by its IF/AF, on condition that there was a minimum of eight participants in the competition;

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- 3) Considering team strategy, a minimum of half or more of the athletes nominated among the Team-event fulfilled the Objective or Subjective Criteria, the team can be selected to participate in the Games;
- 4) Athletes receiving HKSI Elite Training Grant with Elite C or above;
- 5) Athletes / Teams ranked Top 3 in World / Asian Ranking in 2022 - 2026.

Remarks: The SF&OC Selection Committee may consider specially approving the nomination submitted by the NSA if a tactical plan provided by the Head Coach and endorsed by the NSA's Selection Committee shows strong evidence of a medal chance at the Asian Games.

- IX. Also, if there are athletes who do not distinguish between the above two procedures, the selection committee will first consider their past contested results of the two athletes, and then consider the higher attendance rate of the two athletes in the training.

(5) Nomination Committee

The nomination committee of KFHKCL is composed of the head coach of the Karate Department of Hong Kong Sports Institute, and the Kata or Kumite coach, and KFHKCL Coaching Director. The Kata coach will participate in the selection of the Kata, and the Kumite coach will participate in the selection of the Kumite.

(6) Appeal Panel

Athletes who have not been nominated may, within seven days from receiving the nomination results, set out the reasons for the appeal in writing and submit relevant supporting documents for appeal.

The composition of the appeal committee: 3 neutral positions of General Committee members of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd. will be elected for the final ruling (the neutral position was not involved in the nomination process before and has no connection to the related athletes). If the results are disputed, the AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre may be invited to handle the case.



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(7) Timetable

Date	Important matters and mileage
17 April 2026	E-mail to all members of the Hong Kong Karate Training Team and each dojo member and it will also be posted on the official website
30 April 2026	The deadline for nomination on 30 April 2026 noon
8 May 2026	The nomination committee meets to select and announce the results in the evening*
15 May 2026	The deadline for appeal on 15 May 2026 noon
18 May 2026	The Appeals Committee decided, if there are any changes, the latest list will be submitted to the General Committee of the KFHKCL for approval. Subject to changes, the latest list results will be announced*
20 May 2026	The list was submitted to the Selection Committee of SF&OC for final approval

(Note: * Including the total scores of all candidates)

(8) Enquiry

If you have any questions or queries regarding the Selection and Appeal Mechanism, please feel free to e-mail kfhkc@hkkaratedo.com.hk, fax (852) 2577 5525 or telephone (852) 2504 8243 to contact our staff of the Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Ltd.

Remarks:

- All members of Nomination Committee and Appeal Panel of KFHKCL participating in the selection and appeal, they must declare their conflict of interests and make a statement to Federation for record and filing.
- The control requirements of health and Epidemic prevention will be announced by the organizer and the SF&OC for the Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games.