KATA

Judging Criteria

• Kata scoring is based on execution of technique, balance, speed, power, solid stances, and overall focus

Number of Judges

- Colour Belt Divisions- minimum 3 judges
- Black Belt Division- 5 Judges

Scoring

- <u>Beginner, Novice</u> 6.00-8.00 (7.00=Average) (scorekeepers will tally all judges scores out of a total of 30)
- <u>Intermediate</u> 7.00-9.00 (8.00=average) (scorekeepers will tally all judges scores out of a total of 30)
- <u>Advanced</u> 8.00-10.00 (9.00=average)
 (Scorekeepers will remove the highest and the lowest scores and then tally the remaining judges scores out of a total of 30 points)

Criteria for deductions by judges include:

- Off balance technique
- poor or inconsistent stances
- low power
- hesitation
- lack of focus

Criteria for a competitor requiring a restart (one time only)

- Beginner, Novice = no penalty
- Intermediate = -1.00 from final score
- Advanced = no score

Kobudo

Judging criteria

- Kata scoring is based on execution of techniques, balance, speed, power, solid stances, and overall focus with emphasis on showcasing the selected weapon.
- In the event that a competitor drops the weapon
- Colour belt division = a restart is permitted with a full point deduction
- Black belt division = no score will be entered
- Striking a judge with a weapon will result in no score

Number of judges

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<u>Black belt division</u> = 5 judges
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Scoring

<u>Colour belt</u> 7.00 -9.00 (average 8.00)

Scorekeepers will tally all judges' scores out of a total of 30 points

Black belt division 8.00-10.00 (9.00 average)

Scorekeepers will remove the highest and the lowest scores and tally the remining judges scores out of a total of 30

Criteria for deductions by judges include:

- Off-balance techniques
- Poor of inconsistent stances
- Low power
- Hesitation
- Lack of focus
- Loss of control of weapon

Criteria for a competitor requiring a restart (one time only)

<u>Colour belt</u> = -1.00 from final score <u>Black belt</u> = no score

Point Fighting Kumite

<u>Safety equipment</u> (required and provided by the competitor)

Mouth guard, groin protector, gloves, foot protection and helmets.

Judging criteria

One point will be awarded to the fighter who executes a clean technique within the prescribed contact levels to a legal target area when it is clear that the striking competitior had the ability to follow through and inflict damage. All scoring techniques are awarded a single point.

Number of judges

Colour belt divisions = minimum of 3 judges Black belt divisions = 5 judges

Legal target areas

- Face and sides of head (no contact)
- Chest abdomen, ribs, kidneys (light to moderate contact)

Legal techniques

All punches and kicks to legal target areas within the prescribed contact levels

Illegal target areas

-Top of head -Throat - Back/spine -any joints -Any targets below the belt -Back of head

<u>Fouls</u>

- Striking or deliberately targeting an illegal area
- Striking a legal target area in excess of contact level
- Throwing techniques in a reckless manner that would result in excessive contact
- Intentionally running out of the ring
- Any disrespect towards opponent, judge, volunteers or spectators
- The center judge has the authority to administer warnings, penalty points, and disqualifications against an offending fighter

Match duration

- All divisions: 2 minutes of first competitor to score 5 points
- In the even that each fighter has the same score at the end of the match, the match will continue and the next legal point wins (a foul may also cause a loss

<u>Timekeeper</u>

- The timekeeper will start the time running at the start of the match and keep time running unless center judge calls for time to stop
- Time keeper will indicate the end of the match by yelling "TIME!" and throwing the bean bag into the ring

Scorekeeper

- The scorekeeper will keep a written tally of all points, warnings, and fouls
- The scorekeeper will verbally confirm each aware from the center judge and visually display the running score