

# AUSTRALIAN KARATE FEDERATION REFEREE & JUDGE ACCREDITATION POLICY

## KUMITE ACCREDITATION

### STATE JUDGE – 'B'

1. 15 years of age or over
2. 1st Kyu or higher.
3. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
4. Officials under 18yrs may only officiate children, cadet and junior divisions. Officials under 16yrs may only officiate children and cadet divisions.

### STATE JUDGE – 'A'

1. 16 years of age or over
2. 1st Kyu or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the N.R.C.
5. Officials under 18yrs may only officiate children, cadet and junior divisions.

### STATE REFEREE – 'B'

1. 17 years of age or over
2. 1<sup>st</sup> Dan or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments.
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the N.R.C.
5. Officials under 18yrs may only officiate children, cadet and junior divisions.

### STATE REFEREE – 'A'

1. 18 years of age or over
2. 1<sup>st</sup> Dan or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments.
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the N.R.C..

If age appropriate 'A / B' grade Referee/Judge to be determined by the SRC

S.R.C Chairman must be on panel for upgrading or a nominated representative from the NRC.

A minimum of 12 month between licence upgrades

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## **NATIONAL JUDGE – ‘B’**

1. 19yrs of age or over
2. 1<sup>st</sup> Dan or higher
3. Complete 3 A.K.F state or 1 national endorsed tournaments
4. Attain endorsement from the SRC
5. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission.

## **NATIONAL JUDGE – ‘A’**

1. 19yrs of age or over
2. 1st Dan or higher
3. Complete 3 A.K.F state or 1 national endorsed tournaments
4. Attain endorsement from the SRC
5. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission.

## **NATIONAL REFEREE – ‘B’**

1. 20yrs of age or over
2. 1st Dan or higher
3. Complete 3 A.K.F state or 1 national endorsed tournaments
4. Attain endorsement from the SRC
5. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission.

## **NATIONAL REFEREE – ‘A’**

20yrs of age or over

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Dan or higher
2. Complete 3 A.K.F state or 1 national endorsed tournaments
3. Attain endorsement from the SRC
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission.

If age appropriate ‘A / B’ grade Referee/Judge to be determined by the NRC.

N.R.C Chairman must be on panel for upgrading or a nominated representative from the NRC.

A minimum of 12 months is required between upgrades.

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## KATA ACCREDITATION

### STATE KATA JUDGE 'C'

1. 15 years of age or over
2. 1st Kyu or higher.
3. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
4. Perform a kata and answer relevant questions.
5. Judge C's may only officiate up to quarter finals (subject to the discretion of the Tatami Manager)
6. Officials under 18yrs may only officiate children, cadet and junior divisions. Officials under 16yrs may only officiate children and cadet divisions.

### STATE KATA JUDGE 'B'

1. 17 years of age or over
2. 1st Dan or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
5. Perform a kata and answer relevant questions
6. Officials under 18yrs may only officiate children, cadet and junior divisions.

### STATE KATA JUDGE 'A'

1. 18 years of age or over
2. 1st Dan or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments
4. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
5. Perform a kata and answer relevant questions

- If age appropriate B / C grade State Judge to be determined by the SRC.
- S.R.C Chairman must be on panel for upgrading or a nominated representative from the NRC.

### NATIONAL KATA JUDGE – 'B'

1. 19 years of age or over
2. 1st Dan or higher.
3. Complete 2 A.K.F state endorsed tournaments
4. Attain endorsement from the SRC
5. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
6. Perform a kata and answer relevant questions

### NATIONAL KATA JUDGE – 'A'

1. 20 years of age or over
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan or higher.
3. Complete 1 A.K.F national endorsed tournament or 3 state endorsed tournaments
4. Attain endorsement from the SRC
5. Pass the theory and practical tests prescribed by the National Referee Commission
6. Perform a kata and answer relevant questions

N.R.C Chairman must be on panel for upgrading or a nominated representative from the NRC.  
A minimum of 12 months is required between upgrades

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## ATTENDANCE AT CHAMPIONSHIPS & SEMINARS

### STATE

1. State officials must attend a minimum of one State endorsed event per year to maintain accreditation.
2. State officials must attend a minimum of one State seminar every year.
3. Officials not meeting the minimum requirements will need to resit the relevant theory and practical tests at the next seminar.

### NATIONAL

1. National officials must attend a minimum of one National AKF endorsed event every two years as well as the specified minimum State level endorsed championships to maintain accreditation.
2. National officials must attend a minimum of one National seminar every two years.
3. National officials must pass theory examination as set by the NRC every two years to maintain accreditation.
4. Officials not meeting the minimum requirements will need to resit the relevant theory and practical tests at the next seminar and will not be eligible to upgrade until they pass the exam.

### INTERNATIONAL Championships

1. To attend International events accredited officials must attend Australian Open and National Championships and have prior endorsement by the NRC.
2. Officials not meeting minimum requirements will follow the procedures set down by the relevant International RC.

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## Oceania Upgrades

In order to be considered for OKF upgrade or endorsement the NRC wishes to communicate the following prerequisites.

### Kumite

1. AKF "A" Licence in Kata & Kumite
2. Participation at the most recent Australian Open
3. Participation at the most recent National championships

### Kata

1. AKF "A" Licence in Kata & Kumite
2. Participation at the most recent Australian Open
3. Participation at the most recent National Championships

All nominations to be forwarded NRC Secretary 30 days prior to the event and addressed to the NRC Chairman. Criteria obviously, that prior support is gained from the relevant RSA Referees Council.

Members holding OKF licence in one discipline to that wish to upgrade will have until August 2016 to comply with the policy.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

In order to be considered for WKF upgrade or endorsement the NRC wishes to communicate the following prerequisites.

### Kumite

1. OKF Referee A Licence
2. Participation at the most recent Australian Open
3. Participation at the most recent National championships
4. Consideration will also be given to participation at recognised international events.

### Kata

1. OKF Kata Judge A License
2. Participation at the most recent Australian Open
3. Participation at the most recent National Championships
4. Consideration will also be given to participation at recognised international events.
5. Practical assessment at National Championships i.e. Performance of two kata.

All nominations to be forwarded 10 days prior to Nationals and addressed to the NRC Chairman. Criteria obviously, that prior support is gained from the relevant RSA Referees Council.