



UNIVERSAL SHOTOKAN KARATE UNION OF JAPAN  
ユニバーサル松濤館空手連合

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## 24<sup>th</sup> International Open Karate Championship JAPAN

第 24 回 国際オープン空手選手権大会

Dear Country Representative,

USKU headquarters will hold an international event in March 2026. We have built relationships of trust through karate through exchanges with various countries.

We welcome not only USKU members but also Shotokan-ryu, Goju-ryu, Shito-ryu, and Wado-ryu Karateka from around the world.

We with the cooperation and support of Takanabe Town, we will reduce the burden on participants from each country and ensure a comfortable and enjoyable stay. We would like to send you an invitation to experience Japanese culture and participate in this event. We look forward to the participation of each country.

USKU Chief Director  
Kenichi Fukamizu

### 1. Key Information

- VISA Requirements

If you require a Visa application to visit Japan please email me before **31 December**.

You will need the required documents from your country's embassy in Japan. We can assist with the Visa application.

- Submission Deadline

In order to develop the tournament schedule I require the entry details of each competitor from your country by **20 January**.

- Contact

Please arrive before the main schedule listed below. If you require transportation support from Miyazaki please email me. [usku.hq@gmail.com](mailto:usku.hq@gmail.com) and [spobobsky77@gmail.com](mailto:spobobsky77@gmail.com)

## 2. Main Schedule

Date/ Day	Time	Event	Place
27 Mar. 2026 (Friday)	10:00 ~ 12:00	Martial arts safety prayer and Training at Shrine 奉納	Maizuru Shrine
	14:00 ~	Universal Shotokan Karate Union 2026 AGM	Hotel Shikitei
28 Mar. 2026 (Saturday)	8:30	Open	
	9:30 – 12:00	Karate Seminar	Gymnasium
	12:00 ~ 13:00	Lunch Break	-
	13:00 ~	USKU Grading exam	Gymnasium
	15:00 ~	Referee Counselling	Gymnasium
	18:20 ~	International welcome Party	Hotel Shikitei
29 Mar. 2026 (Sunday)	8:00	Open	
	8:30 – 9:00	Referee / Coach Meeting	Gymnasium
	9:00 – 9:30	Tournament Opening Ceremony	Gymnasium
	9:30~	24th International Open Karate Championship	Gymnasium
30 Mar. 2026	9:00~	Sightseeing (Miyazaki)	
After 31 Mar.		Sightseeing / Experience activities	

### ■ Seminar

Shotokan Ryu ( Basic, Heian Kata, Tokui Kata: Bassai Dai, Kanku Dai • Sho, Jion, Empi, etc... )

\* If there are people who request Goju Ryu, we will also hold a seminar on Goju Ryu.

#### ▶ Main Instructor

Kenich Fukamizu ( USKU Kancho ) JKF 7 Dan / 2<sup>nd</sup> Examiner • AJKS 8 Dan / 1<sup>st</sup> Examiner

#### ▶ Assistant Instructor USKU HQ Instructor • AJKS Instructor

### ■ Place

- Hotel Shikitei address

5224 Kitatakanabe Takanabe Koyugun Miyazaki Japan 884-0002

- Takanabe general Gymnasium address

7790 Uwae Takanabe Koyugun Miyazaki Japan 884-0002

### ■ Sightseeing

Tour 1: 30<sup>th</sup> March Day trip (Place : Miyazaki )

Tour 2: After 31<sup>st</sup> March : We will plan your tour according to your wishes.

### 3. Cost ( Senior / over 16 years old • Junior / 5 to 15 years old )

Program Fees	Age Group	Price ( USD )
International Program entry fee ( All members who come to Japan )	USKU Registered Members 2025 and 2026	15
	Other People ( Over 7 years old )	30
Tournament (Cost allows entry to all events)	Senior	60
	Junior	50
Shotokan Seminar	Senior	40
	Junior	30
Welcome Party (Includes dinner)	Senior	50
	Junior	35
Lunch : 28 and 29 March (You can choice Normal / Halal / Vege)	Each Meal	8
Sightseeing	1 Day trip	See another document
	2 Days trip	See another document

#### - Accommodation -

Lodging type		Number of People per room	Target persons	Price ( USD ) per night per person
<b>A</b>	USKU HQ apartment	2	Each country's Instructor	35
<b>B</b>	Public House	5-10	Anybody	Adult 30 Junior 20
<b>C</b>	Public-Center	2	Anybody	35
<b>D</b>	Home stay	1-2	Boys and girls (under 20 years old)	20
<b>E</b>	Hotel	—	Anybody	—

- ◆ Lodging B···Sometimes it will be a shared room with members of other countries.  
(Men and Female are different rooms) Room type···Mat and Futon(Japanese Style)  
For general meals there is a Supermarket nearby and the various places to eat also.  
Utensils will be provided so please prepare a dish for your own country for all to enjoy.
- ◆ Homestays may not be available for all dates during your stay.

## **Lodging A ( Weekly apartment )**

Two people can stay in each room. The number of rooms is limited.

The room includes a toilet, bath, washing machine, kitchen, refrigerator, and cooking utensils.

## **Lodging B ( Public House )**

This is Public House near the headquarters dojo. Please use a bicycle to get there.

For general meals there is a Supermarket nearby and the various places to eat also.

Utensils will be provided so please prepare a dish for your own country for all to enjoy.

The House includes a toilet, kitchen, refrigerator, and cooking utensils.

\* Please use the shower in HQ.



## **Lodging C ( Training Center )**

Address: 5732 Mochida Takanabe Koyugun Miyazaki Japan 884-0005

Two people can stay in each room. Each room has a shower room.

There is a large park next to this facility.

Meals are provided in the restaurant. \*Meals are included in the accommodation fee.

The main dojo is about a 10-minute drive away, so transportation is provided for seminars and tournaments.



## HOTEL LIST ... Lodging E

### 1) HOTEL Shikitei

**(It is 7min by bicycle to Dojo)**

Address : KitaTakanabe5224

Tel : +81-983-23-0043

URF : <http://www.hotel-shikitei.jp>

	Single	Breakfast
Cost(room)	7200yen	660 yen



### 2) HOTEL Fuziya

**(It is 10min by bicycle to Dojo)**

Address : KitaTakanabe2599-1

Tel : +81-983-22-3366

	Single	Double	Breakfast
Cost(room)	5300 yen	8800 yen	600 yen



### 3) HOTEL AZ

**(It is 12min by bicycle to Dojo)**

Address : Takanabe Machi Mochida3373

Tel : +81-983-21-1200

URF : <http://www.az-hotel.co.jp>

	Single	Twin
Cost(room)	6300 yen	11000 yen

\*Breakfast included



### 4) Ishikawa Ryokan

**(It is 7min by bicycle to Dojo)**

Address : KitaTakanabe355

Tel : +81-983-23-0117

	1person	2persons	3persons
Cost(room)	3800 yen	7600 yen	ask

※Japanese style Room (9.72 m<sup>2</sup>)



No	First Name	Last Name	Sex	Age	Passport number	Hotel Name	Schedule of stay
1							
2							
3							

## 4. Tournament Information

\* Age is as of March 29, 2026. Please check the categories list.

### Individual KATA Divisions

I. 5 - 6 years old Male and Female MIX ( Category ... K )

II. 7 - 12 years old Male / Female ( Category ... J1 / J2 / J3 / J4 / J5 / J6 )

\* K and J1 to J6

Basic KATA(Heian1-5dan, Gekisai1·2, Pinan1-5dan) for First and Second round, TOKUI KATA from third round. You can repeat the same KATA.

III. 13 - 15 years old Male / Female ( Category ... JH )

IV. 16 - 18 years old Male ( Category ... H )

V. 16 - 40 years old Female ( Category ... SF )

\* JH, H and SF

SHITEI KATA for First and Second round, TOKUI KATA from third round.  
You can repeat the same KATA.)

About SHITEI KATA...

SHOTOKAN RYU(Jion/Kankudai/Kankusho/Enpi/Tekkishodan)

GOJU RYU(Saifa/Seipai/Kururunfa/Seisan)

SHITO RYU(Bassaidai/Seienchin/Mastumura Rohai/Nipaipo)

WADO RYU(Seishian/Chinto/Niseishi/Kushanku)

VI. 19 – 44 years old Male ( Category ... SM )

VII. 41 years or older Female ( Category ... SF2 )

VIII. 45 – 55 years old Male ( Category ... SM2 )

IX. 56 years old or older, Male ( Category ... MM )

SM,SF2,SM2 and MM

TOKUI KATA (Any Kata) from First round. You **cannot** use same KATA.

### Team KATA

• 10 - 12 years old Males and Females MIX ( Age advancement possible )

Basic KATA(Heian1-5dan, Gekisai1·2, Pinan1-5dan) for First and Second round, TOKUI KATA from third round. You can repeat the same KATA.

• 16 years or older Males and Females MIX ( Age advancement possible )

Basic KATA or SHITEI KATA for First and Second round, TOKUI KATA from third round. You can repeat the same KATA.)

## **Individual KUMITE Divisions (WKF rules apply)**

**I. 7 - 12 years old Male / Female ( Category … J1 / J2 / J3 / J4 / J5 / J6 )**

\* 1min Full time. The first to score 6 points wins.

**II. 13 - 15 years old Male / Female ( Category … JH )**

**III. 16 - 18 years old Male ( Category … H )**

**IV. 16 – 44 years old Female ( Category … SF )**

**V. 41 year old or older, Male ( Category … SM )**

1min and 30sec Full time. The first to score 6 points wins.

**VI. Open ; 19 year old or older only Male ( Category … O )**

2min Full time. The first to score 6 points wins.

- ◆ Face guards are required in Japan to prevent the injury to face. USKU-JAPAN will prepare these. ( 17 years old or younger )
- ◆ open ( Category … O ) … WKF rule (Non Face Guard)、 You must wear Foul cup and Mouthpiece.

## **Team KUMITE**

- 13 - 15 years old Males
- 16 - 18 years old Males
- 16 - 44 years old Females

\* Ideally three people are required, but entry is possible with two people  
1min Full time. The first to score 6 points wins.

\* First round and Second are … Its will do until fight of Taisho even if the outcome is decided.

\* From Third round… The game ends When the outcome is decided.

## **Exchange Game**

Japan VS other country ( It is decide on the day )

### **About Category**

- ▶ Please Check in the Application seat ( It's Japanese Grade System )

### **About referee**

- ▶ Instructors at each dojo please let us know if they are available to judge at USKU international tournaments.
- ▶ We will pay an honorarium to qualified referees.

## Category Check List ( Individual )

\* Age is as of March 29, 2026.

	Age	Male		Female		Team	Team	Team				
		Kata	Kumite	Kata	Kumite	Kata	Kumite	Kumite				
Junior	5	K (Boy&Girl)	None	K (Boy&Girl)	None							
	6											
	7	J1	J1	J1	J1							
	8	J2	J2	J2	J2							
	9	J3	J3	J3	J3							
	10	J4	J4	J4	J4							
	11	J5	J5	J5	J5							
	12	J6	J6	J6	J6							
	13	JH	JH	JH	JH						T-Ku-A Only Male	
	14											
	15											
	Senior	16	H	H	SF				SF			T-Ku-C Only Female
		17										
18												
19		SM	O	SF		SF						
20~25												
26~30												
31~35												
36												
37												
38												
39												
40												
41												
42		SM	SM	SF	SF	T-Ka-B Male & Female MIX						
43												
44												
45												
46												
47												
48												
49												
50	SM2						SF2	SF2	None			
51												
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56		MM	MM	MM	None							
57												
58												
59												
Over 60	MM	MM	MM	MM	None							