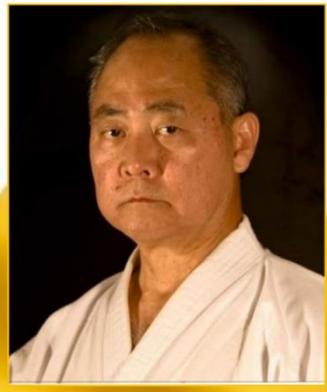


Šiauliai – Lithuania
23 to 25 October 2026



XXVI WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP
FSKA / FSKAW





1. INITIAL GREETINGS

Dear Friends, members of the karate family,

It is a great honour and pleasure for us to invite you and your students to participate in the XXVI FSKA/FSKAW World Karate Championship, which will take place on 23–25 October 2026 in Lithuania, in the City of the Sun – Šiauliai.

The organisation of this Championship is the responsibility of the Lithuanian Karate Association (LKA), held under the high patronage of FSKA (Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association) and FSKAW (Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World), in cooperation with the Šiauliai District Municipality, Pakruojis District Municipality, Šiauliai Arena Administration, and Suncity Hotel.

By organising this Championship, we aim to contribute to the continued development of the Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association and the Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World, and we are fully prepared to welcome participating countries from all continents.

We sincerely hope that your visit to Lithuania and your participation in this traditional karate event will provide you with many meaningful and memorable experiences. The Lithuanian Karate Association, acting as the Organising Committee of the XXVI FSKA/FSKAW World Karate Championship, extends to you its deepest respect and friendship. We warmly look forward to welcoming you all and wish you great success in the competition, as well as a lasting positive impression of our hospitable country.

Dear members of the karate family, Lithuania awaits you! Oss!

Respectfully,

Shihan Valdemaras Kozlovas 8 Dan
Chief Instructor at the FSKA affiliate in Lithuania

XXVI FSKA/FSKAW World Karate Championship Organizing Committee



Egidijus Daknys
President of LKA

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Championship Coordinator

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Championship Chief Referee

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Secretary General of LKA

Diana Kozloviene
Championship Secretary

2. OFFICIAL INVITATION LETTER



Hanshi Kyle Funakoshi
Chief Instructor
F.S.K.A. PREMIER



Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi
Chief Instructor
FSKA WORLD

December 17 12 2025

Subject: **Letter at Authorization to host the 26° WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP FSKA/FSKAW LITHUANIA 2026**

Dear **Shihan Valdemaras Kozlovas**

This letter serves as the official authorization for you to host the **26° WORLD KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP FSKA/FSKAW LITHUANIA 2026** in conjunction with Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi (Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World), The **26° WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS in FUNAKOSHI KARATE and PARA-KARATE** will be held in Lithuania Venue:

National Šiauliai Arena for October 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 2026

The purpose of this Tournament is to promote Karate through competition and exchange of cultures among the different countries to develop the **FSKA Family Spirit of Friendship**.

We wish our Host every success in organizing and hosting this **Extraordinary World Event..**

For any question please contact by emails:

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Sincerely

Hanshi Kyle Funakoshi



Chief Instructor

Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association Premier

Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi



Chief Instructor

Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World



3. GENERAL INFORMATION

Venue

The XXVI FSKA/FSKAW World Karate Championship will take place on 23–25 October, 2026 in Šiauliai, Lithuania.

Organiser

The Championship is organised by the Lithuanian Karate Association (LKA), under the high patronage of FSKA (Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association) and FSKAW (Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World).

Partners

Šiauliai District Municipality, Pakruojis District Municipality, Šiauliai Arena Administration, and Suncity Hotel.

Arrival

Convenient access is available via the following international airports: Riga (Latvia) – 130 km, Kaunas (Lithuania) – 140 km, and Vilnius (Lithuania) – 200 km. Upon request, the Organising Committee can assist in arranging transportation for delegations from and to the airports. Please note: waiting time at the airport may be required in order to join another arriving group.

Accommodation

Participants wishing to stay at one of the recommended hotels (listed below) are kindly requested to contact the hotel directly by email and use the booking code KARATE. The official and main event hotel is Suncity Hotel & SPA. Important: We strongly recommend booking accommodation as early as possible (by late July or early August). As these hotels are reserved for the event, availability may not be displayed on online travel agencies or hotel booking platforms.

Meals

On 23, 24, and 25 October, catering services will be provided by the Šiauliai Arena café and will be available to all participants. Judges and management / VIP guests will be provided with complimentary lunch and coffee.

Visas Information

All visa-related information is available at: <https://keliauk.urm.lt/en>. The Organising Committee is prepared to assist each delegation. However, due to possible delays, visas may not be issued in time. Obtaining a visa is the responsibility of each participant. The final deadline for issuing invitation letters for visa purposes is 30 August 2026.

Seminar

With Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi and Hanshi Kyle Funakoshi 15:00–17:00, 22 October 2026, Šiauliai Arena. Participation fee: €50

Dan Grading

Dan examinations with Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi and FSKAW Shihan Kai 17:15–18:30, 22 October 2026, Šiauliai Arena. Participants interested in the Dan examination are kindly requested to contact Hanshi José Chagas.

Email: mestrekarate_kps@hotmail.com. All necessary information will be provided by email. Participation in the seminar is mandatory for candidates applying for the Dan examination.

Official Closing Dinner

On Sunday evening at 20:30, the Organising Committee will host an official closing dinner at the Suncity Hotel & SPA restaurant “Gama” (Address: 57A Tilžės Street, LT-78193 Šiauliai, Lithuania). Distinguished guests Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi and Hanshi Kyle Funakoshi will attend the dinner. A maximum of two representatives per delegation may participate free of charge.

Contacts

Official event email: fskaworldchampionship2026.lt@gmail.com

FB: FSKA World Championship 2026 LT (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61587250472346>)

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4. LITHUANIA



The coat of arms of the State of Lithuania is Vytis – the defender of the homeland



The national flag of Lithuania

Discover Lithuania. The Gem of Northern Europe Lithuania is a nation where a thousand years of history meet the technologies of the future. It is a country with a strong character, breathtaking nature, and hospitable people.

General Information and Geography. Lithuania is the largest of the three Baltic States, located at the geographical center of Europe.

Neighbors. We share borders with Latvia to the north, Belarus to the east and south, Poland to the southwest, and the Russian Federation to the west. The western part of the country is washed by the Baltic Sea.

Population. Lithuania is home to approximately 2.8 million people.

Membership. Lithuania is a full member of the European Union (EU), NATO, the OECD, and the Schengen Area. It is a safe, modern country built on Western values.

Language and Technology. A Unique Language: Lithuanian is one of the oldest surviving Indo-European languages, having preserved the most archaic features (similar to Sanskrit). It is a true treasure for linguists and a source of great national pride.

Internet Leaders: Lithuania boasts some of the fastest and most accessible fiber-optic internet and public Wi-Fi networks in the world. We are a hub for modern digital services and Financial Technology (FinTech).

Cities, Waters, and Nature. Major Cities: Vilnius – The capital, Kaunas, Klaipėda, Panevėžys, Šiauliai – The "City of Sun" in northern Lithuania, famous for the nearby Hill of Crosses. Waters: Lithuania is a land of waters. Our largest rivers—the Nemunas and the Neris. National Parks: We have 5 National Parks. Forests cover more than a third of the country.

Climate. Lithuania has a transitional maritime-continental climate. Here, you can experience all four seasons: Summer: Warm, sometimes hot (average +20–25°C). Autumn: Colorful, though often rainy and windy. Winter: Mildly cold, often decorated with snow (average -5°C, though it can drop below -20°C). Spring: Fresh and green, as nature wakes up from its winter sleep.

Basketball in Lithuania is more than just a sport—it is a source of national pride and unity. It is the most popular sport in the country, and our national team's achievements and the passion of our fans are known worldwide.

Traditional Cuisine. Lithuanian food is hearty, authentic, and made from local ingredients: Most Famous Dishes: Cepelinai (large potato dumplings), Kugelis (savory potato pudding), and the iconic bright pink Šaltibarščiai (cold beet soup). Dark Rye Bread: real, yeast-free rye bread is considered a sacred staple of our table. Curd (Varškė): This is one of the most important products in our kitchen. We produce unique white curd cheese (with caraway seeds, dried, or smoked), curd pancakes (varškėčiai), and sweet curd snacks. Beer (Alus): Lithuania has deep and ancient brewing traditions, especially in the northern region. Lithuanian beer is characterized by its distinct, archaic flavor and is highly valued by connoisseurs.



5. ŠIAULIAI

Šiauliai is a city in northern Lithuania, the fourth largest in the country, an administrative centre of Šiauliai County, with a population of approximately 112,600. It is an important economic and transportation hub.

The name of the city has been mentioned since 1236, in connection with the Battle of the Sun (Soule) against the Livonian Brothers of the Sword. In 1254, the land of Šiauliai (terra Saulen) is also mentioned in historical sources.

Places to visit in Šiauliai:

- **Cathedral of St. Apostles Peter and Paul.** When visiting the city for the first time, we always recommend starting from its heart — the Cathedral and the pedestrian boulevard. The Renaissance-style Cathedral of St. Apostles Peter and Paul serves as a landmark, guiding visitors to the very centre of Šiauliai.
- **Šiauliai Boulevard.** The main pedestrian street of the city. It is the most popular place for leisure, relaxation, entertainment, and shopping for both locals and visitors. Located next to the Cathedral of St. Apostles Peter and Paul.
- **Sundial Square.** A symbolic composition of the Sun and the Archer. The shadow of the sun moves across a giant dial, cast from an 18-metre-high obelisk topped by a running archer.
- **The Iron Fox.** A symbol of cleverness and wisdom. It is the largest animal sculpture in Lithuania. This impressive sculpture weighs nearly 7 tons, is about 15 metres long, 6.6 metres high, and 4.15 metres wide. Inside its steel heart, a capsule containing a message for future generations is hidden.
- **Hill of Crosses.** A major Christian pilgrimage site and a symbol of peace, featuring over 100,000 crosses that reflect the imagination of folk artists. In 1993, the Hill of Crosses was visited by Pope John Paul II.
- **Chocolate Museum.** Located in a former factory building, the museum offers an exhibition introducing the history of chocolate and revealing the secrets of its production. By booking the “Sweet Laboratory,” visitors can learn how to make various chocolate treats and enjoy them on site or take them home as souvenirs.
- **Cat Museum.** Home to more than 4,000 exhibits from all over the world, including Lithuania. Visitors are greeted by a friendly cat named Pearl, affectionately known as the museum’s “director.”
- **Bicycle Museum.** Dedicated to the history of the bicycle. Established nearly four decades ago, the museum combines traditional exhibitions with modern technologies. Every visitor becomes an active participant, learning about the history of cycling and trying out the opportunities and entertainment this mode of transport offers.



6. ŠIAULIAI ARENA

Šiauliai Arena is a modern, multifunctional complex for sports, cultural, and other large-scale and chamber events, located in the city of Šiauliai. The arena has a seating capacity of up to 7,400 spectators and was officially opened on 25 July 2007.

Address: J. Jablonskio Street 16, Šiauliai, LT-78162, Lithuania.

The arena meets both international and national safety standards and other requirements set by international indoor sports federations and leagues. Convenient parking facilities are available for visitors, with space for up to 600 vehicles at the same time.

Šiauliai Arena also houses sports schools and clubs, wellness and beauty centres, gym, aerobics and fitness facilities, a sports medicine office, cafés, bars, a restaurant, a souvenir shop, and a sports museum.



7. PARTNERS

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ŠIAULIŲ ARENA



8. EVENT SCHEDULE

22.10.2026 Thursday

Šiauliai Arena (address: J. Jablonskio Street 16, Šiauliai, LT-78162, Lithuania)

- 12.00 – 15.00 Registration and verification of documents and teams
- 15.00 – 17.00 Seminar with Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi and Hanshi Kyle Funakoshi
- 17.15 – 18.30 Dan Exams with Hanshi Kevin Funakoshi and FSKAW Shihan Kai

23.10.2026 Friday

Šiauliai Arena (address: J. Jablonskio Street 16, Šiauliai, LT-78162, Lithuania)

- 08.00 – 09.00 Registration and verification of documents and teams
- 08.00 – 09.00 Meeting of referees and coaches with Hanshi José Chagas and Shihan Vidmantas Butnorius
- 09.00 Age 22 - 28 y/o Men and Women All events
- 10:30 Age 29 - 35 y/o Men and Women All events
- 11:30 Age 36 - 45 y/o Men and Women All events
- 12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH
- 13:30 Continuation Age 36 - 45 y/o Men and Women
- 13:30 – 20:00 Age 46 y/o & above Men and Women All events Individual Kata / Team Kata / Pair Kata / Individual Kumite / Team Kumite

24.10.2026 Saturday

Šiauliai Arena (address: J. Jablonskio Street 16, Šiauliai, LT-78162, Lithuania)

- 08.00 – 09.00 Registration and verification of documents and teams
- 08.30 – 09.00 Meeting of referees and coaches with Hanshi José Chagas and Shihan Vidmantas Butnorius
- 09.00 Qualifications and Finals 13 -14 y/o and 15-17 y/o
- 13.00 – 14.00 LUNCH
- 14.00 **CHAMPINSHIP OPENING CEREMONY** (All Participants)
- All delegations will be expected to arrive for the ceremony wearing their organisation's official tracksuit or their karate gi.
- 14.30 Open KATA Disability
- 15.00 – 20:00 Continuation Qualifications and Finals 15 - 17 y/o and 18 - 21 y/o

25.10.2026 Sunday

Šiauliai Arena (address: J. Jablonskio Street 16, Šiauliai, LT-78162, Lithuania)

- 08.00 – 09.00 Registration and verification of documents and teams
- 08.30 – 09.00 Meeting of referees and coaches with Hanshi José Chagas and Shihan Vidmantas Butnorius
- 09.00 Qualifications and Finals of KATA and KUMITE Individual and Team 12 y/o and under
- 12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH
- 14.30 – 19:00 Continuation of the competition

20.30 **Official closing dinner** – at the Suncity Hotel & SPA restaurant Gama (*address: 57A Tilžės street, 78193 Šiauliai, Lithuania*)



9. OFFICIAL CATEGORIES

FRIDAY, October 23

KATA Individual KATA – 22 Y/O and above		KUMITE Individual – 22 Y/O and above	
041	Men 22-28 y/o 9-4 KYU	139	Men 22-28 y/o 9-4 KYU
042	Women 22-28 y/o 9-4 KYU	140	Women 22-28 y/o 9-4 KYU
043	Men 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU	141	Men 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 75 Kg
044	Women 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU	142	Women 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 65 Kg
045	Men 22-28 y/o 1-2 DAN	143	Men 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 75 Kg
046	Women 22-28 y/o 1-2 DAN	144	Women 22-28 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 65 Kg
047	Men 22-28 y/o 3 DAN and above	145	Men 22-28 y/o (OPEN)
048	Women 22-28 y/o 3 DAN and above	146	Women 22-28 y/o (OPEN)
049	Men 29-35 y/o 9-4 KYU	147	Men 29-35 y/o 9-4 KYU
050	Women 29-35 y/o 9-4 KYU	148	Women 29-35 y/o 9-4 KYU
051	Men 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU	149	Men 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 75 Kg
052	Women 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU	150	Women 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 65 Kg
053	Men 29-35 y/o 1-2 DAN	151	Men 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 75 Kg
054	Women 29-35 y/o 1-2 DAN	152	Women 29-35 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 65 Kg
055	Men 29-35 y/o 3 DAN and above	153	Men 29-35 y/o (OPEN)
056	Women 29-35 y/o 3 DAN and above	154	Women 29-35 y/o (OPEN)
057	Men 36-45 y/o 9-4 KYU	155	Men 36-45 y/o 9-4 KYU
058	Women 36-45 y/o 9-4 KYU	156	Women 36-45 y/o 9-4 KYU
059	Men 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU	157	Men 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 78 Kg
060	Women 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU	158	Women 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 65 Kg
061	Men 36-45 y/o 1-2 DAN	169	Men 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 78 Kg
062	Women 36-45 y/o 1-2 DAN	160	Women 36-45 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 65 Kg
063	Men 36-45 y/o 3 DAN and above		
064	Women 36-45 y/o 3 DAN and above		
065	Men 46-55 y/o 9-4 KYU	161	Men 46-55 y/o 9-4 KYU
066	Women 46 y/o and above 9-4 KYU	162	Women 46 y/o and above 9-4 KYU
067	Men 46-55 y/o 3-1 KYU	163	Men 46-55 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 78 Kg
068	Women 46 y/o and above 3-1 KYU	164	Women 46 y/o and above 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 65 Kg
069	Men 46-55 y/o 1-2 DAN	165	Men 46-55 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 78 Kg
070	Men 46-55 y/o 3 DAN and above	166	Women 46 y/o and above 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 65 Kg
071	Women 46 y/o and above 1 DAN and above		
072	Women MASTERS 35 y/o and above DAN		

Individual KATA – Veterans Categories		Individual KUMITE – Veterans Categories	
077	Men 56-65 y/o 9-4 KYU	168	Men 56-65 y/o 9-4 KYU
078	Men 56-65 y/o 3-1 KYU	169	Men 56-65 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 78 Kg
079	Men 56-65 y/o 1 DAN and above	170	Men 56-65 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 78 Kg
080	Men 66 y/o and above 9-4 KYU	171	Men 66 y/o and above (OPEN)
081	Men 66 y/o and above 3-1 KYU		
082	Men 66 y/o and above 1 Dan and above		
083	Men MASTERS 50 y/o and above DAN		
084	Men 60 y/o and above 3 KYU and above		

Team KATA – 22 Y/O and above		Team KUMITE – 22 Y/O and above	
221	Men 22-35 y/o (3 Competitors)	313	Men 22-35 y/o (3 Competitors)
222	Women 22-35 y/o (3 Competitors)	314	Men 22-35 y/o (5 Competitors)
223	MIX (Male and Female) 22-35 y/o (3 Competitors)	315	Women 22-35 y/o (3 Competitors)
224	Men 36-55 y/o (3 Competitors)	316	Men 36-55 y/o (3 Competitors)
225	Women 36 y/o and above (3 Competitors)	317	Women 36 y/o and above (3 Competitors)
226	Men 56 y/o and above (3 Competitors)	318	Men 56 y/o and above (3 Competitors)
227	MIX (Male and Female) 36 y/o and above (3 Competitors)		
228	Open PAIR KATA (Men, Women, Mix) (2 Competitors)		

**SATURDAY, October 24**

Individual KATA – 13 to 21 Y/O		Individual KUMITE – 13 to 21 Y/O	
021	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 9-7 KYU	121	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 9-7 KYU
022	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 9-7 KYU	122	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 9-7 KYU
023	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 6-4 KYU	123	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 6-4 KYU
024	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 6-4 KYU	124	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 6-4 KYU
025	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN	125	Teens Male 13-14 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN
026	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN	126	Teens Female 13-14 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN
027	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 9-7 KYU	127	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 9-4 KYU
028	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 9-7 KYU	128	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 9-4 KYU
029	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 6-4 KYU	129	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 65 Kg
030	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 6-4 KYU	130	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 60 Kg
031	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU	131	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 65 Kg
032	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU	132	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 60 Kg
033	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o DAN		
034	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o DAN		
035	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o 9-4 KYU	133	Cadets Male 18-21y/o 9-4 KYU
036	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o 9-4 KYU	134	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o 9-4 KYU
037	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU	135	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 70 Kg
038	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU	136	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (-) 60 Kg
039	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o DAN	137	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 70 Kg
040	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o DAN	138	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o 3-1 KYU, DAN (+) 60 Kg

SPECIAL COMPETITION*(Competitors with physical or mental limitations)***Individual KATA**

073 KATA Disability (OPEN)

Team KATA - 13 to 21 Y/O		Team KUMITE - 13 to 21 Y/O	
211	Teens Male 13-14 y/o (3 Competitors)	307	Teens Male 13-14 y/o (3 Competitors)
212	Teens Female 13-14 y/o (3 Competitors)	308	Teens Female 13-14 y/o (3 Competitors)
213	Teens MIX (Male and Female) 13-14 y/o (3 Competitors)		
214	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o (3 Competitors)	309	Young Cadets Male 15-17 y/o (3 Competitors)
215	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o (3 Competitors)	310	Young Cadets Female 15-17 y/o (3 Competitors)
216	Young Cadets MIX (Male, Female) 15-17 y/o (3 Compet.)		
217	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o (3 Competitors)	311	Cadets Male 18-21 y/o (3 Competitors)
218	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o (3 Competitors)	312	Cadets Female 18-21 y/o (3 Competitors)
219	Cadets MIX (Male and Female) 18-21 y/o (3 Compet.)		
220	PAIR KATA OPEN (Male, Female, Mix) (2 Competitors)		

**SUNDAY, October 25**

Individual KATA – 12 Y/O and under		Individual KUMITE – 12 Y/O and under	
001	Boys 6 y/o and under	101	Boys 6 y/o and under
002	Girls 6 y/o and under	102	Girls 6 y/o and under
003	Boys 7-8 y/o 9-8 KYU	103	Boys 7-8 y/o 9-8 KYU
004	Girls 7-8 y/o 9-8 KYU	104	Girls 7-8 y/o 9-8 KYU
005	Boys 7-8 y/o 7-6 KYU	105	Boys 7-8 y/o 7-6 KYU
006	Girls 7-8 y/o 7-6 KYU	106	Girls 7-8 y/o 7-6 KYU
007	Boys 7-8 y/o 5 KYU and above	107	Boys 7-8 y/o 5 KYU and above
008	Girls 7-8 y/o 5 KYU and above	108	Girls 7-8 y/o 5 KYU and above
009	Boys 9-10 y/o 9-8 KYU	109	Boys 9-10 y/o 9-8 KYU
010	Girls 9-10 y/o 9-8 KYU	110	Girls 9-10 y/o 9-8 KYU
011	Boys 9-10 y/o 7-6 KYU	111	Boys 9-10 y/o 7-6 KYU
012	Girls 9-10 y/o 7-6 KYU	112	Girls 9-10 y/o 7-6 KYU
013	Boys 9-10 y/o 5 KYU and above	113	Boys 9-10 y/o 5 KYU and above
014	Girls 9-10 y/o 5 KYU and above	114	Girls 9-10 y/o 5 KYU and above
015	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 9-7 KYU	115	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 9-7 KYU
016	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 9-7 KYU	116	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 9-7 KYU
017	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 6-4 KYU	117	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 6-4 KYU
018	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 6-4 KYU	118	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 6-4 KYU
019	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 3 KYU and above	119	Youth Male 11-12 y/o 3 KYU and above
020	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 3 KYU and above	120	Youth Female 11-12 y/o 3 KYU and above

Team KATA – 12 Y/O and under		Team KUMITE – 12 Y/O and under	
201	Boys 8 y/o and under (3 Competitors)	301	Boys 8 y/o and under (3 Competitors)
202	Girls 8 y/o and under (3 Competitors)	302	Girls 8 y/o and under (3 Competitors)
203	MIX (boys and girls) 8 y/o and under (3 Competitors)		
204	Boys 9-10 y/o (3 Competitors)	303	Boys 9-10 y/o (3 Competitors)
205	Girls 9-10 y/o (3 Competitors)	304	Girls 9-10 y/o (3 Competitors)
206	MIX (boys and girls) 9-10 y/o (3 Competitors)		
207	Youth Male 11-12 y/o (3 Competitors)	305	Youth Male 11-12 y/o (3 Competitors)
208	Youth Female 11-12 y/o (3 Competitors)	306	Youth Female 11-12 y/o (3 Competitors)
209	Youth MIX (Male and Female) 11-12 y/o (3 Competitors)		
210	PAIR KATA OPEN (Male, Female, Mix) (2 Competitors)		



10. COMPETITIVE REGULATIONS

KATA

- Only Shotokan KATA may be performed.
- KATA will be scored using **point system** with four corner judges and one centre referee.
 - Categories with more than 8 competitors will be classified for the **final out of 8**.**If there are up to 10 competitors, the final format will be decided by the** , the Organizing Committee.
 - 8 competitors - **direct final 1 Kata**.
 - If there are 8 or fewer competitors in a category - **direct final 1 Kata**.
- **In KATA TEAM** is the same system - TOKUY Kata - free all rounds
 - In the KATA TEAM may raise up to two Competitors of the Category immediately below
 - Each Competitor may only participate in a single Team of the same Category
- **Categories versus KATAS:**
 - 9 - 4 Kyu – Basic KATA (Heian Shodan to Tekki Shodan). 1 Kata in all Age Divisions, and can repeat the same in the Final.
 - In the categories **7-8 y/o 5 KYU and above** and **9-10 y/o 5 KYU and above** – Basic KATA (Heian Shodan to Tekki Shodan). 1 Kata, and can repeat the same in the Final.
 - 3 - 1 Kyu – Basic KATA or only (Bassai Dai, Enpi, Jion, Hangetsu, Kanku Dai)
 - In the category **11-12 y/o 3 KYU and above**, can only do the Brown Belt Katas or Basics.
 - Black Belt - TOKUY KATA
 - 3-1 Kyu and DAN - 2 KATAS. In the Final - different KATA, in all Age Divisions.
 - In the category “Open KATA Disability (073)”, all katas are permitted. Each athlete may perform only one kata

Awards:

- **1st** place: Championship Medal (Teams: Trophy and Medals)
- **2nd** and **3rd** places: Medals (Teams: Trophy and Medals)
- All participants will receive a Diploma.



KUMITE

➤ **Protections:**

- Mouth piece is mandatory for all ages in the KUMITE event.
- Female chest protector is mandatory.
- Groin protector for all male competitors is mandatory.
- Only hand protectors (WKF type) are allowed (Blue or White and Red).
- Only safety glasses with a restraining band or soft contact lenses are allowed.
- Body protector (WKF type) in all categories (including 12 y/o and under) is optional.
- Head protector is optional.
- Foot and shin protectors are optional.

➤ **Children until 8 y/o**

- All rounds (including finals):
- Ippon shobu: 1 full point (Ippon) or two half points (Wazari)
- Time duration: 1 minute

➤ **Children 9 y/o – 12 y/o**

- All rounds (including finals):
- Ippon shobu: 1 full point (Ippon) or two half points (Wazari)
- Time duration: 1.30 minute

➤ **Cadets / Adults and Veterans (13 y/o and older)**

- All rounds (including finals):
- Nihon shobu: two full points – one full point and two half points or four half points
- Time duration: 2 minutes

➤ **Finals Adults 26–35 y/o Male and Female**

- Nihon shobu: two full points – one full point and two half points or four half points
- Time duration: 3 minutes

Awards:

- **1st** place: Championship Medal (Teams: Trophy and Medals)
- **2nd** and **(2) 3rd** places: Medals (Teams: Trophy and Medals)
- All participants will receive a Diploma.



11. RULES

- All teams are requested to represent their home countries with dignity, and will be held responsible for any damages caused.
- Competitors not meeting the requirements will be not permitted to participate in the competition (and they will have no right to claim the participation fee back). Also, any competitors who miss out on their fights will not have the right to claim any of the participation fees back.
- For the competition, each athlete's age is calculated at date of Thursday, 22 October 2026. After the participation fee has been paid, the event organisers do not reimburse the costs.
- Each Kumite competitor must wear **belt** and **protectors** in the following colours:
 - Blue (or White) for shiro
 - Red for aka
- In case of need (insufficiency or excess of competitors per category), the organisers reserve the right to **join together or split** categories.
- During the event, only competitors and their coaches are allowed to be in the competition zones, and they will be required to wear their team outfit and a valid ID.
- All coaches and competitors must refrain from violent behaviour at all times. Otherwise, they will be asked to leave the competition zone immediately.
- All potential protests must be made in writing and filed immediately after a fight it is related to, and signed by an official team representative, after settling an appropriate Payment of € 120.
- All information missing in the rules and regulations of the championship explicit here, will be complemented by **FSKA tournament rules**.
- Event organisers do not bear responsibility for judges' verdicts.
- Event organisers are not responsible for any loss or theft of personal belongings.
- In case of doubt, the rules and regulations of the Lithuanian civil and penal codes will be observed.



12. RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS

- All payments are in EUR (€). For all payments via bank transfer, the following information must be used:
Beneficiary: Lithuanian Karate Association (Lietuvos karatė asociacija)
Address: Tilžės 67-15, Šiauliai, LT-78146
Account number (IBAN): LT58 7044 0600 0001 1373
Bank: SEB Bank
Bank SWIFT (BIC): CBVI LT 2X
- All participation fees must be transferred to the designated bank account no later than September 23, 2026, or paid directly in cash during registration at the Šiauliai Arena (address: J. Jablonskio St. 16, Šiauliai, 78162).
- Delegations wishing to receive invoices must provide the following information: organization name, address, and registration code via email to fskaworldchampionship2026.lt@gmail.com.
- **Competition categories fees:**
Fees per single category participation (each individual category):
 - Competitors 12 years old and under = 40 €
 - Competitors 13 years old and above = 50 €
 - PAIR KATA and KATA Teams = 100 €
 - Teams KUMITE 3 Elements = 100 €
 - Teams KUMITE 5 Elements = 150 €
 - OPEN KATA Disability (Category 073) is FREE
- **Registrations**
Registration for Participants and Referees: <https://karateturnyrai.lt>
Registration is open **from July 1st until October 1st, 2026**.
- **Additional services**
Requests for any additional services (Seminar, Sayonara Party) are formalized by completing the respective form (Services Form-01) and sending via E-Mail: fskaworldchampionship2026.lt@gmail.com, with the deadline of **October 1, 2026**

13. REGISTRATION WIZARD



A brief description of the system and its main functionalities for users who wish to participate in a tournament:

Action	Description
Registration	A club registers in the system and send email to matas.zymantas@gmail.com to request access approval.
Login	Users log in to the system.
Club coaches list	Club coaches are added to and managed in the coaches list.
Club athletes list	Club athletes are added to the list and assigned to their respective coaches.
Athlete registration for a tournament	Athletes are registered for filtered and suitable tournament categories based on eligibility.
Athlete removal from a registered category	If needed, an athlete can be removed from an already registered tournament category.
Tournament participants overview	All athletes registered for the tournament can be viewed.
Tournament categories overview	Tournament categories and the athletes registered in each category can be viewed.
Tournament attachments	Tournament attachments and informational files can be downloaded and viewed.
Tournament brackets	Generated tournament brackets for each category can be viewed.
Tournament schedule	The finalized tournament schedule can be viewed.
Registered club athletes by category	An Excel file containing all club athletes registered in tournament categories can be downloaded.
Language selection	Users can choose between Lithuanian and English when using the system.

The system is available at <https://karateturnyrai.lt/>

If you have any questions or encounter any issues while using the system, you can always contact the system administrator by email at **matas.zymantas@gmail.com**

14. THE HOTELS

Suncity Hotel & SPA ★★★★★ *Official and Main Event Hotel*

Address: 57A Tilžės street, 78193 Šiauliai, Lithuania

Website: <https://suncityhotel.lt/>

Reservation e-mail: info@suncityhotel.lt

Special code: Karate

Room Type: Single - 85 Eur (with breakfast), Twin - 99 Eur (with breakfast)

Capacity: Up to 100 persons

Distance from Šiauliai Arena: 600 m (approx. 7 min walk)



About the Hotel

Suncity Hotel & SPA in Šiauliai is the official and primary hotel for the event. This premier glass-facade hotel offers spacious guest rooms equipped with private bathrooms, air conditioning, and complimentary Wi-Fi. Each room includes a dedicated workspace, television, and modern amenities to ensure a comfortable stay.

Exclusive Amenities

Guests can enjoy a full range of on-site facilities, including professional SPA services, a fitness center, an elegant restaurant, a bar, and an outdoor relaxation area. Additional services include a steam sauna, a hair salon, and free private parking on the premises.

Dining Experience

The hotel restaurant serves exquisite European cuisine. Guests are offered a variety of breakfast options, including Continental, American, and local selections. Dining services also include brunch, lunch, dinner, and afternoon tea.

Prime Location

Ideally situated, the hotel is just a 7-minute walk from the Šiauliai Arena. It is located within close proximity to major landmarks, such as St. George's Church (2.5 km) and the historic Hill of Crosses (14 km). An ice rink is also situated nearby for recreation.

Transportation and Additional Services

The hotel provides shuttle transfer services via a 17-seater bus. Furthermore, the hotel operates a branch in the town of Radviliškis (16 km from Šiauliai). For inquiries regarding availability at the Radviliškis location, please contact them directly via e-mail at: reception@centralhotel.lt



Hunters' Inn of Šiauliai Region ★★★★★

Address: Dubijos g. 20, LT-77207 Šiauliai, Lithuania

Website: <https://hoteluzeiga.lt/en/>

Reservation e-mail: info@hoteluzeiga.lt

Special code: Karate

Room Type: Single - 60 Eur (with breakfast), Twin - 75 Eur (with breakfast)

Capacity: Up to 100 persons

Distance from Šiauliai Arena: 2.0 km

Šiaulių Krašto Medžiotojų Užėiga (Hunting Lodge of Šiauliai Region)

Located in the center of Šiauliai, "Šiaulių krašto medžiotojų užėiga" features a sauna and an indoor pool. All modern, air-conditioned rooms include free Wi-Fi, televisions, spacious seating areas, and desks.

The on-site restaurant specializes in venison, wild boar, roe deer, and fallow deer dishes, along with other gourmet meals. Guests can take advantage of the tour desk, airport shuttle services, and car rentals. Free parking is available on the premises.



Hotel Turnė ★★★★★

Address: Rūdės g. 9, LT-77155 Šiauliai, Lithuania

www.turne.lt

Reservation e-mail: hotel@turne.lt

Special code: Karate

Room Type: Single - 40 Eur, Twin - 59 Eur, Triple - 68 Eur, Luxury - 70 Eur (Breakfast - 7 Eur per person)

Capacity: Up to 50 persons

Distance from Šiauliai Arena: 2.8 km

Hotel "Turnė" is located in the center of Šiauliai, just 1 km from the city's main station. All guest rooms feature free Wi-Fi, satellite TV, minibars, and private bathrooms. The hotel is equipped with meeting rooms and a tour desk, and the reception is open 24/7. Guests can enjoy free parking on-site. The hotel also features a bar and is known for its high-quality breakfast.



Hotel Vaivorykštė ★★

Address: Gytarių St. 25, LT-78398 Šiauliai, Lithuania

Website: <https://hotel.vaivorykste.com>

Reservation e-mail: hotel@vaivorykste.com

Special code: Karate

15 Eur per person (Breakfast - 7 Eur per person)

Capacity: Up to 40 persons

Distance from Šiauliai Arena: 3.9 km

Hotel "Vaivorykštė" is located just 500 meters from the "Akropolis" shopping and entertainment center. All rooms are equipped with Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs. Superior rooms also feature mini-fridges and/or seating areas. The hotel offers a 24-hour bar, a billiard table, and two shared kitchens. Guests can also enjoy a sauna, a whirlpool tub, and an event space. On-site parking is available.

