

MALAYSIA KARATE FEDERATION (MAKAF)

MAKAF Referee's & Judges Rules & Regulations

1. Kata Candidates must be at least 25 years old and be a minimum 3rd Dan Black Belt whereby for Kumite Candidates must be at 21 years old and be a minimum 2nd Dan Black belt.
2. All Candidates who wish to participate & officiate in the National Championship or examination has to be sanction by their association & their Regional Referee Zone Chairman.
3. Candidates must be registered with the RC Secretary at least 20 days before the start of Championship through our website www.makaf.net or by fax.
4. A candidate's first qualification(s) will be as Kumite Judge B and/or Kata Judge B. Candidates will be required to progress through each level. The order of the progression is as follows:
 - i) Kumite Judge B and/or Kata Judge B
 - ii) Kumite Judge A and/or Kata Judge A or B
 - iii) Kumite Referee B and/or Kata Judge A or B
 - iv) Karate Referee (Qualified in both Kata & Kumite to A level)
 - v) Match Area Controller (Must serve a minimum of five years as a Referee)
5. Provided that an official keeps their license up to date, attends a National Championship at least once in every two years, attends the pre-championship briefing and officiates satisfactorily then they will not expected to undergo another practical examination, although they must sit and pass the theory paper which will be presented at the end of the pre-championship briefing, once in every four years.
6. Referees must renew their licenses every four years.
7. All refereeing officials who have not attended the course and wishing to officiate at the Championship must attend the briefing the day before the Championships. All Referees and Judges must be present at the competition venue for final briefing, 30 minutes before the Championship start.
8. Referees & Judges officiating in a National event cannot perform another function in that event.
9. The Referees & Judges of a kumite or kata bout must not have the same style of either of the participants.