



28th ANNUAL USA WADO RYU

# KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP

CAPISTRANO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

MARCH 22nd 2026

PRE-REGISTER NOW



ELITE DIVISIONS ADDED

**SUNDAY**  
**03-22**  
**2026**



TEAM KATA

KOBUDO

KATA

KUMITE

PARA-KARATE

# 28TH ANNUAL USA WADO-RYU KARATE-DO CHAMPIONSHIP

LOCATION	TIME
Capo Valley High School 26301 Via Escolar Mission Viejo, CA 92692	March 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2026 Referee Meeting 8:45 am Opening Ceremony 9:00 am Tournament Start: 9:15am

## REGISTRATION

**Pre-registration deadline is Friday, March 20th**

**\*No later than noon. All divisions entries must be pre-registered.**

Online registration and payment  
[usawadoryu.com/registration](http://usawadoryu.com/registration)

Mail your registration form and check to  
(No later than Friday, March 20):

OR



Wado-Ryu USA  
24133 Grayston Dr.  
Lake Forest, CA 92630

## TOURNAMENT INFO

**Admission:** Adult \$10.00 (Ages 13+).

Child \$5.00 (Ages 6-12, 5 years old and under free)

### Morning Overview:

9:00am - 9:15am	Opening Ceremony	
	Kobudo (All)	Divisions
	Team Kata (All)	WL1-10 &
9:45am	Beg. Youth 6 and Under	WS 1-10
		Divisions
		105-108
		Divisions 1, 2, 5, & 6

All kobudo competitors must be on the tournament floor ready to compete by 9:15am.

Adult Kobudo competitors will start in Ring 1 and all youth Kobudo competitors will start in Ring 2 immediately after the Opening Ceremony.

Divisions of 3 or less should be ready to compete starting at 11am.

Inquiry regarding division size and division changes can be requested starting 10:45am in the staging area.

## CONTACT

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# 28th Annual USA Wado Ryu KARATE-DO CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

## KUMITE

Any division with less than 3 competitors may be combined with another division.

1. Modified WKF/USANKF rules and Wadoryu rules will be utilized.
2. All divisions will use 2-4 Judges and a Referee.
3. If two Judges are used, the Referee will have a vote. The Referee will signal her/his opinion immediately after Yame, when appropriate. The Referee's vote will have the same weight as a Judge's.
4. Two votes will be required for points, warnings, and penalties.
5. All matches will have a maximum of 8 points, with the exception of Divisions 88 & 96 and Elite Divisions in which an 8 point lead is necessary to win or have the most points at time.
6. All matches will be a maximum of 1 ½ minutes, stop time, with the exception of Divisions 106 & 108, Also Elite Divisions which will run for 3 minutes.
7. Mandatory equipment:
  - A. All competitors must wear a white Gi with a belt.
  - B. Only females may and must wear an undershirt.
  - C. All kumite competitors must wear a mouthpiece, and hand protectors - white or red/blue gloves.
  - D. All males competitors must wear a groin cup for kumite divisions.
  - E. Shin & foot protectors, head gear, chest guard or body protectors are optional.

## KOBUDO

1. Point system will be utilized.
2. All weapons will be subject to inspection by judges before competition. Modified weapons or weapons that do not meet tournament criteria may not be used in competition.
3. Weapons must remain in the competitor's hands at all times. Loss of control will result in disqualification.
4. Definitions – Long (bo or eku) Short (sai, nunchaku or tonfa)

## KATA

Any division with less than 3 competitors may be combined with another division.

1. Flag system will be utilized in all matches.
2. Beginner and Novice divisions must perform a basic kata. Intermediate should check USA Karate kata list .
3. All kata divisions will have two competitors perform kata at the same time.
4. For all medal rounds, Intermediate and Advanced divisions must perform a kata different from the previous round.

## TEAM KATA

1. Flag system will be utilized.
2. Three people per team, female, male, or mixed.
3. All team members must perform the same kata.
4. All team members must start facing the same direction.

# 2026 USA Wado Ryu Karate-Do Championship Division Chart

OPEN CATEGORY				
GENDER	AGE	LEVEL	KATA	KUMITE
Mixed	6 & Under	Beginner	KIHON ONLY	
Girls	6 & Under	Beg Nov	1 3	2 4
Boys	6 & Under	Beg Nov	5 7	6 8
Girls	7-8	Beg Nov Int/Adv	9 11 13	10 12 14
Boys	7-8	Beg Nov Int/Adv	15 17 19	16 18 20
Girls	9-10	Beg Nov Int/Adv	21 23 25	22 24 26
Boys	9-10	Beg Nov Int/Adv	27 29 31	28 30 32
Girls	11-12	Beg Nov Int Adv	33 35 37 39	34 36 38 40
Boys	11-12	Beg Nov Int Adv	41 43 45 47	42 44 46 48
Girls	13-14	Beg Nov Int Adv	49 51 53 55	50 52 54 56
Boys	13-14	Beg Nov Int Adv	57 59 61 63	58 60 62 64
Girls	15-17	Beg Nov Int Adv	65 67 69 71	66 68 70 72
Boys	15-17	Beg Nov Int Adv	73 75 77 79	74 76 78 80
Women	18+	Beg Nov Int Adv	81 83 85 87	82 84 86 88
Men	18+	Beg Nov Int Adv	89 91 93 95	90 92 94 96

OPEN CATEGORY					
GENDER	AGE	LEVEL	KATA	KUMITE	
Women's	35+	Masters	97	98	
Men's	35+	Masters	99	100	
PARA KATA					
Junior	6-17	Adv	101		
Adults	18+	Adv	103		
Elite					
GENDER	AGE	LEVEL	KATA	KUMITE	
Women's	18+	Adv	105	106	
Men's	18+	Adv	107	108	
TEAM KATA					
Mixed	17 & Under	Beg & Nov	109		
		Int & Adv	111		
Mixed	18 & Over	Beg & Nov	113		
		Int & Adv	115		
KOBUDO (Pre-Registration Only)					
			Long	Short	
Juniors	9 -12 Under	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL1 WL2	WS1 WS2	
Juniors	13 -17	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL5 WL6	WS5 WS6	
Men	18+	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL7 WL8	WS7 WS8	
Women	18+	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL9 WL10	WS9 WS10	
Men	35+	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL11 WL12	WS11 WS12	
Women	35+	Beg/Nov Int/Adv	WL13 WL14	WS13 WS14	

# TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM (NO REFUNDS)

## Competitor Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

OR  
Sign Up Online at  
[usawadoryu.com/registration](http://usawadoryu.com/registration)



## Dojo Information

Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dojo Name \_\_\_\_\_

Style of Karate \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Check appropriate boxes:

**Age:**

- 6 and under
- 7 - 8 Years Old
- 9 - 10 Years Old
- 11 - 12 Years Old
- 13 - 14 Years Old
- 15 - 17 Years Old
- 18+ and over

**Gender:**

- Male
- Female

**Skill Level\*:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner	(< 1 yr experience)
<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	(> 1 yr and < 2yrs experience)
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	(> 2 yr and < 4 yrs experience or brown belt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	(> 4 yrs experience or black belt)

**Division Numbers** - See chart on next page for numbers.

Kata \_\_\_\_\_ Kumite \_\_\_\_\_ Kobudo (Long) \_\_\_\_\_ Kobudo (Short) \_\_\_\_\_

## PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE Friday, MARCH 20th, NO LATER THAN 12pm only:

(SAVE \$10/event if you pre-register, no discount for team kata)

1 Event - \$80, 2 Events \$85, 3 Events \$90, 4 Events \$95

SCKA member family discount:

- Member event \$5 off
- 2 Events: \$5 off
- 3 Events: \$10 off
- 4 Events: \$15 off

**Registration Day-of (at the door):** 1 Event - \$90, 2 Events \$95, 3 \$100, 4 Events \$105

## **TEAM TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM**

**(NO REFUNDS, NO DISCOUNTS)**

### **Team Name**

\_\_\_\_\_

### **Team Kata**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

OR  
Sign Up Online at  
[usawadoryu.com/registration](http://usawadoryu.com/registration)



### **Competitor Names**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Dojo Information**

Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dojo Name \_\_\_\_\_

Style of Karate \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**Division Numbers** - See chart on next page for numbers.

**PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE** Friday, MARCH 20th, NO LATER THAN 12pm only. The team Kata registration fee is \$75.

# Adult & Minor Amateur Athletic Waiver and Release of Liability

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the 2026 USA Wado Ryu Karate- Do Championship athletics/sports program, and related events and activities, the undersigned:

1. Agrees that prior to participating, they know and understand the Rules of Competition, and that they (if under 18 years of age a Parent or Guardian) will inspect the facilities and equipment to be used, and if the participant and/or Parent or Guardian, believes anything is, or may be, unsafe, they will immediately advise their coach or supervisor and the 2026 USA Wado Ryu Karate-Do Championship personnel of such condition(s) and refuse to participate unless and until such condition is remedied.
2. Acknowledge and fully understand that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from their own actions, inaction's or negligence but the actions, inaction's or negligence of others, the rules of play, or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, that there may be other risks not known to us or not reasonably foreseeable at this time. The undersigned assumes all the foregoing risks and accepts personal responsibility for the damages following such an injury, permanent disability or death.
3. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue Wado Ryu USA, 2026 USA Wado Ryu Karate-Do Championship, Capo Valley High School, Gymnasium, regional sports organizations, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees, staff, official and volunteers of the organization, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessees of premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releases" from any and all liability to each of the undersigned, his or her heirs and next of kin for any and all claims, demands, losses or damages on account of injury including death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise. The undersigned shall indemnify the releases and hold them harmless for any losses, liability or damages, which may result from any failure or defect of such release.
4. All entries are final, no refunds will be given. I fully understand that any medical treatment given will be of a first aid treatment type only. I consent that any pictures furnished by me or any and all photographs or video images taken of me in connection with the Tournament can be reproduced and used for publicity, promotion or other purpose by Wado Ryu USA, its licensees or assigns now or in the future, and published or broadcast by any media whatsoever, and I hereby waive any and all claim for any compensation of any kind in regard thereto. All participation in any event or class in this Tournament is by permission only. The Tournament Director or her/his authorized agent(s) reserve the right to refuse entry to any person, school, team or club.
5. PLEASE NOTE: All athletes must be covered by their own health or medical insurance in order to compete.
6. Statement of Health. By my signature below, I certify and declare that I am in sound health, with valid medical or health insurance coverage in effect at this time, and there is no reason why I cannot participate in this competition.

The undersigned has read the above waiver and release, understand that they have given up substantial rights by signing it and sign it voluntarily.

Signature of Contender: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or guardian if under 18)  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_