

# BRITISH KARATE ASSOCIATION

## BJA REFEREE PROGRAMME 2011

### ASSOCIATION

To provide courses for association and club officials in Kumite and Kata with the opportunity of attaining National Qualifications in the future if they so wish, or alternatively to provide a source of education for coaches, students, parents and table officials. Courses will be open to 14 years and above and structured to encourage equal opportunities.

- **Table official**  
min age 14 years
- **Association Kumite Judge**  
min age 16 years and min grade 3rd Kyu
- **Association Kumite Referee**  
min age 18 years and min grade 1st Dan
- **Association Kata Judge**  
min age 18 years and min grade 1st Dan

The above applies for BKA licence holders who do not have Association or National qualifications

### QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

#### KUMITE

##### KUMITE JUDGE

Candidates must attend one Referee course then upon attendance at a second Referee course within the same year, the Judges Qualification theory examination can be taken. A pass mark of 50% must be achieved before moving on to the next stage which will be a practical assessment at either the BKA Open or Northern Open Classic competitions.

##### KUMITE REFEREE

Candidates must attend one Referee course then upon attendance at a second Referee course within the same year, the Referees Qualification theory examination can be taken. A pass mark of 70% must be achieved before moving on to the next stage which will be a practical assessment at either the BKA Open or Northern Open Classic competitions.

Once qualified, to keep your Qualification, the theory examination needs to be re-taken every 2 years and all Referees must attend a minimum of 1 Referee Courses and 1 competition each year.

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## KATA

### KATA JUDGE

Candidates must attend one Kata Judges course and then upon attendance at a second course within the same year, the Kata Judge Qualification examination can be taken. A minimum pass mark of 50% must be achieved on the theory examination to move on to the next stage which be a practical assessment of 1 Shitei Kata from their own style and judging performance at either the BKA Open or Northern Open Classic competitions.

### FEE

BKA Referee Courses are free to all BKA Licence holders. However, for anyone wishing to take a Kata Judge or Kumite Judge/Referee Qualification, there will be a £10 examination fee to cover the cost of certification. For anyone wishing to take the table officials qualification, there will be a £5 fee to cover the certification.

## Kata Qualifications

### (British Karate Association)

B.K.A. Table Assistant  
B.K.A. Judge

### (English Karate Federation)

E.K.F. Table Assistant  
E.K.F. Judge 'B'  
E.K.F. Judge 'A'  
E.K.F. Tatami Chief

### (British Karate Federation)

B.K.F. Judge

### (European Karate Federation)

E.K.F. Judge 'B'  
E.K.F. Judge 'A'

### (World Karate Federation)

W.K.F. Judge 'B'  
W.K.F. Judge 'A'

# Kumite Qualifications

(British Karate Association)

B.K.A. Table Assistant  
B.K.A. Judge  
B.K.A. Referee

(English Karate Federation)

E.K.F. Table Assistant  
E.K.F. Judge 'B'  
E.K.F. Judge 'A'  
E.K.F. Referee 'B'  
E.K.F. Referee 'A'  
**E.K.F. Referee 'A\*'**  
**E.K.F. Assistant Tatami Chief**  
**E.K.F. Tatami Chief**

(British Karate Federation)

B.K.F. Referee

(European Karate Federation)

E.K.F. Judge 'B'  
E.K.F. Judge 'A'  
E.K.F. Referee 'B'  
E.K.F. Referee 'A'

(World Karate Federation)

W.K.F. Judge 'B'  
W.K.F. Judge 'A'  
W.K.F. Referee 'B'  
W.K.F. Referee 'A'

**W.K.F. Karate Referee 'A' (Kumite Referee 'A' & Kata Judge 'A')**

*Peter Lee Bibby, 5<sup>th</sup> Dan*

*European Karate Federation Kata Judge 'A'*

*B.K.F. Karate Referee*

*E.K.F. Kumite Referee 'A'*

*E.K.F. Kata Judge 'A'*