



## **KARATE CANADA NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM CRITERIA**

### **2010-2011 Season**

#### **1- Introduction**

These criteria apply to the National Junior Team only. The following items are discussed:

1. How to get on the National Junior Team; and
2. How to get an Athlete's status.

This new criteria will be applied to all National Junior Team taking into account the performance of the athletes at the two (2) following events:

1. The 2009 PKF Junior Pan American Championship and
2. The 2009 WKF Junior World Championship.

These events will be the base for the new status. The updated list, entitled the National Junior Statuses 2010-2011, will be found on our website and will be updated after the Karate Canada's National Championships 2010 of March 19-21.

This is the list of International Athletes we have to date:

<b>Divison - Name</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>16-17 Girls -53kg</b>	
Joanna Guiet	International Junior A
<b>16-17 Girls -59kg</b>	
Kamille Desjardins	International Junior A
<b>16-17 Girls +59kg</b>	
Vanessa Jacque Weisser	International Junior B
<b>18-20 Womens -60 kg</b>	
Kathryn Campbell	International Junior B

All funding directed to athletes, as stipulated in *Table 3*, will be a function of Karate Canada's budget and the athlete's status.

The National Junior Team will be named yearly at the end of Karate Canada's National Championships.

The classification of international tournaments will be determined by the National Head Coach on an annual basis and will be approved by the Karate Canada board of directors.

The international tournaments chosen for the National Junior Team can be modified during the course of the year by giving at least eight weeks notice prior to the event.

## **2- How to get on the National Junior Team**

The athlete must participate at the annual Karate Canada's National Championships – this year being from March 19-21, 2010.

Only the National Junior athletes, who have one of the statuses listed below, are automatically part of the National Junior Team:

- International Junior A athletes
- International Junior B athletes
- National Junior A athletes

The athlete must be a Canadian citizen and hold a valid passport in order to be a member of the National Junior Team.

### Selection of alternates

Karate Canada is under no obligation to select an alternate for either a camp or an international event. The selection of alternates is at the discretion of the National Head Coach. If and when an athlete is selected to represent Canada at an international event during the current year, does this athlete then become part of the National Junior Team as an Invited Athlete.

## **3- How to get a Status**

Athletes earn their status:

1. Through any performance as listed in *Tables 1 and 2* and following the *Rules About Status*.

### Rules About Status

1. An athlete must win at least 2 bouts in order to obtain a status as listed in *Tables 1 and 2*.
2. A win through a bye and/or absence of an opponent will not be counted as a victory.
3. All previous rules apply to both team events and individual divisions.
4. The status will only be awarded for a team event if the athlete has a current individual status.
5. A status obtained in an individual division can only be accumulated within that same division. There cannot be cross-accumulation with other individual disciplines (i.e. kata and kumite), age and weight divisions.
6. Only the events listed in *Tables 1 and 2* of this document are considered for status.

## Duration and Expiration of Statuses

1. The *start date* of an Athlete's Status is the date of the event when the status was awarded.
2. The Athlete's Status expire:
  - From event to event for National Junior A;
  - From event to event for International Junior B or 1 year if the event doesn't occur in the following year;
  - For 2 years or the next occurrence of the Junior World Championship for International Junior A, derived from a medal at the Junior World Championship;
  - For 2 years or the second occurrence of the Junior Pan American Championship for an International Junior A, derived from a gold medal at the Junior Pan American Championship.

## **4- Selection Criteria for Competitions**

In order to participate in any Karate Canada sanctioned events, athletes will be selected in the following order of priority, depending on the number of athletes able to participate in each division at each of these events:

- International Junior A athletes;
- International Junior B athletes;
- National Junior A athletes; and
- Invited Athletes, if any.

## Tiebreaking Criteria

The tiebreaker process will be as follows for two athletes who hold the same status:

1. The athlete with the performance achieved at the highest level competition will be selected;
2. If the tie persists, the athlete with the highest result within that same competition will be selected;
3. If the tie persists, the athlete with the most wins within that same competition will be selected;
4. If the tie persists, the athlete with the highest result at the most recent Karate Canada National Championships will be selected; and
5. If the tie persists, a final decision will be made by the National Head Coach. The coach's decision may include a challenge match.

## **5- Requirements and Appeals**

### Requirements

To remain on the team, each athlete must:

- Sign and adhere to the Karate Canada Athlete Agreement.
- Have and maintain a valid Canadian passport.
- Always report any performance limiting injuries or physical conditions to the National Head Coach.
- Provide proper medical information on the injury and on its treatment.
- Keep the National Head Coach informed on the progress of their recovery.
- Provide an accurate mailing address, an active e-mail address and all phone numbers at which they can be reached.
  - Any changes must be sent to the National Team Manager.

### Appeals

Appeals regarding team selection are limited to the incorrect application of criteria. For any appeal, please refer to the Karate Canada's Appeal Policy.

**Table 1**  
**Status for individual divisions**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Performance</b>	<b>Status Awarded</b>
WKF Junior World Championship	Gold	International Junior A
	Silver	International Junior A
	Bronze	International Junior A
	Top 8	International Junior B
PKF Junior Pan American Championship	Gold	International Junior A
	Silver	International Junior B
	Bronze	International Junior B
KC National Championships	Gold	National Junior A

**Table 2**  
**Status for team divisions**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Performance</b>	<b>Status Awarded</b>
WKF Junior World Championship	Gold	International Junior A
	Silver	International Junior A
	Bronze	International Junior B
	Top 8	International Junior B
PKF Junior Pan American Championship	Gold	International Junior B

Alternates who do not participate in any team kumite matches cannot be awarded a status.

**Table 3**  
**Funding ratios for athletes on the National Junior Team**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Ratio</b>
International Junior A	3:1
International Junior B	2:1
National Junior A	1:1

Based on Karate Canada's budgets per event, the Team Manager of the National Junior may distribute additional funding to athletes participating in multiple divisions.