



IV FISU AMERICA GAMES
LIMA 2026

TECHNICAL REGULATION OF **KARATE**



UPDATES

| DATE | CHANGES |
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| 01/05/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Article 1 was updated: competition venue.• Article 3 was updated: athlete selection and registration.• Article 3, item 6, was updated: number of technical officials that may be registered per delegation.• Article 12 was updated: protests shall follow the international regulations of the sport. |



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KARATE-DO TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

IV FISU AMERICA GAMES – LIMA 2026

These Technical Regulations establish the sports rules governing the Karate-Do competition at the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES – LIMA 2026. They have been prepared by the Peruvian University Sports Federation (FEDUP) and approved by FISU AMERICA.

They are mandatory for all participants and shall be applied together with the General Regulations of the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES – LIMA 2026, as well as the regulations in force of FISU AMERICA and the World Karate Federation (WKF).

In the event of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the technical rules, the official English text of the WKF shall prevail.

Article 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- **ORGANIZER** : FISU AMERICA and the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) - FEDUP.
- **VENUE** : Polideportivo 3 IPD - VIDENA.
- **REGISTRATION** : In accordance with Article 20 of the General Regulations of the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES – LIMA 2026
- **TECHNICAL MEETING** : Wednesday, July 29, 2026. Time and venue to be communicated through an Official Bulletin.
- **COMPETITION** : Thursday, July 30; Friday, July 31; and Saturday, August 1, 2026.
- **SCHEDULE** : shall be established in the Official Competition Program.

Article 2. COMPETITION AUTHORITIES

The Karate-Do competition shall be organized and supervised by:

- a) The FISU AMERICA Sports Technical Commission.
- b) The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) – Lima 2026.



- c) The Technical Coordinator for the discipline.
- d) The Competition Director.
- e) The Refereeing Director and referee corps, appointed in accordance with WKF regulations and approved by FISU AMERICA.

Article 3. PARTICIPATION BY COUNTRY

The athletes representing each country must be officially selected and registered through their National University Sports Federation (NUSF), in accordance with the eligibility criteria, procedures and provisions established in the General Regulations of the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES Lima 2026.

3.1 Individual Kumite Event

- a) Each country may register up to three (3) competitors per weight category and per gender (men and women).
- b) Registration shall be carried out according to the official WKF divisions.

3.2 Team Kumite Event.

- a) Team Kumite competition shall be organized in both genders.
- b) Each country may register up to two (2) men's teams and two (2) women's teams, in accordance with the General Regulations.

Team composition:

- Men: five (5) starters and up to two (2) substitutes.
 - Women: three (3) starters and up to one (1) substitute.
- c) In the first round, teams must appear with the full number of starting competitors.

3.3 Individual Kata Event

- a) Each country may register up to three (3) athletes in Men's Individual Kata and three (3) athletes in Women's Individual Kata.

3.4 Team Kata Event

- a) Team Kata competition shall be organized in both genders.



- b) Each country may register up to two (2) men's teams and two (2) women's teams.

Team composition:

- Three (3) starters and up to one (1) substitute per team.

3.5 Multiple participation

An athlete may participate in both Kata and Kumite, in accordance with current WKF regulations.

3.6 Technical staff by country

Each country may register a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of five (5) technical officials specific to this discipline according to gender (coach, assistant, physician, physiotherapist and delegate or head of delegation), according to the technical needs of the discipline, provided that such registration does not exceed the maximum number of officials permitted per delegation under the General Regulations of the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES – LIMA 2026.

At the first general technical meeting, the head of delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of competitors.

Article 4. COMPETITION EVENTS AND CATEGORIES

| KUMITE COMPETITION | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Men | Women |
| -60 kg | -50 kg |
| -67 kg | -55 kg |
| -75 kg | -61 kg |
| -84 kg | -68 kg |
| +84 kg | +68 kg |
| Team Kumite | Team Kumite |



| KATA COMPETITION | |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Men's Individual Category |
| 2 | Women's Individual Category |
| 3 | Men's Team Kata |
| 4 | Women's Team Kata |

Article 5. COMPETITION SYSTEM

- a) Kata competitions (individual and team) shall be held under the direct elimination system with repechage.
- b) Kata to be performed must belong to the official WKF kata list.
- c) Kumite competitions (individual and team) shall be held under the direct elimination system with repechage, in accordance with WKF rules.

Article 6. DRAW AND SEEDING

- a) The draw for all events shall be held after the Technical Meeting.
- b) The draw shall be electronic and conducted by the Local Organizing Committee.
- c) Seeding may be applied to athletes placed in relevant positions in the WKF world ranking, in accordance with current regulations. Therefore, technical officials must inform the LOC of their athletes' world ranking positions at the time of registration.

Article 7. TENTATIVE COMPETITION PROGRAM

The official schedule shall be as follows:



| July 30 | July 31 | August 1 |
|--|---|--|
| Women's Individual Kata category Women's Individual Kumite: -50 kg, -55 kg, -61 kg, -68 kg, +68 kg Awards | Men's Individual Kata category Men's Individual Kumite: -60 kg, -67 kg, -75 kg, -84 kg, +84 kg Awards | Women's Team Kata Men's Team Kata Women's Team Kumite Men's Team Kumite Awards |

Article 8. WEIGH-IN

Weight control shall be carried out in accordance with current WKF regulations.

- a) The weigh-in for women's individual kumite categories shall take place on Thursday, July 30, and for men's individual kumite on July 31; both shall take place at the competition venue.
- b) Competitors may freely check their weight on the official scales on the day they compete from 07:30 to 08:00; the official weigh-in shall take place from 08:00 to 09:00. Presentation of the credential and indication of the category are required for the weigh-in.
- c) All competitors shall weigh in wearing underwear and shall have only one opportunity for the official weigh-in, with a maximum tolerance of 200 grams for men and 500 grams for women.
- d) If the weight does not match the range established for the category, the competitor shall be automatically disqualified.
- e) Coaches are advised to maintain permanent control of their competitors' weight.

Article 9. UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

Competitors' uniforms and equipment must strictly comply with the WKF Competition Rules and the provisions of the General Regulations of the Games.



Article 10. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS AND REFEREEING

Technical officials and the referee corps shall be appointed by the Local Organizing Committee, with FISU AMERICA approval.

Article 11. CONDUCT

The rules of conduct, sports ethics and fair play established by the WKF shall apply, as well as the disciplinary provisions of the General Regulations of the Games.

Article 12. PROTESTS

Protests shall be processed in accordance with the international regulations of the discipline and the procedures established in the General Regulations of the Games.

Article 13. UNFORESEEN CASES

Matters not covered in these Technical Regulations shall be resolved in accordance with Article 58 of the General Regulations of the IV FISU AMERICA GAMES LIMA 2026 and the current rules of the World Karate Federation (WKF).

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE





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