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MESSAGE FROM THE ORGANIZING CHAIRMAN

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome all athletes, coaches, officials, and supporters to the **Khel Karate Championship (KKC) 2026**.

KKC is not just a competition—it is a platform built to promote discipline, excellence, and the true spirit of martial arts. Our

vision is to provide athletes with a professionally structured environment that aligns with international standards while encouraging growth at every level.

With participation from across India and international teams, we are committed to delivering a fair, transparent, and high-quality competitive experience.

I extend my best wishes to all participants. Compete with passion, respect, and determination.

See you on the tatami.



MOHIT SHARMA

ORGANIZING CHAIRMAN
Khel Karate Sports India

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ABOUT THE CHAMPIONSHIP

— *India's Premier Karate Championship* —

The Khel Karate Championship (KCC) is a premier national-level karate event organized by Khel Karate Sports India. Conducted under WKF-aligned competitive rules, with specific adaptations as defined in this bulletin, the championship emphasizes technical excellence, discipline, and fair play.

KCC provides a structured platform for athletes across multiple age and weight categories, along with an exclusive Senior Open division. The event brings together emerging talent and experienced competitors, ensuring a high level of performance and professionalism.

With participation from across India and international teams, KCC 2026 aims to set new benchmarks in competitive karate and athlete development.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- ₹3,00,000+ Cash Prize Pool
- Professional Referees & Judges
- National & International Participation
- Multiple Age & Weight Categories

EVENT DETAILS

Dates: 18–19 July 2026

Venue: Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi

Events: Kumite | Kata | Super Gold | Senior Open

Registration Window: 15 April – 20 June 2026

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EVENT STRUCTURE & COMPETITION FLOW

COMPETITION FORMAT

INDIVIDUAL KUMITE: PRIMARY EVENT

- Athletes compete in their respective **age and weight categories**.

SUPER GOLD EVENT: CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

- Qualification-based category within the Kumite Division
- Only Pool Winners (Gold Medalists) qualify

KATA DIVISION: TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE EVENT

- Conducted as an independent competition under WKF-aligned rules.
- Athletes compete individually using a scoring-based system.

SENIOR OPEN CUP: ELITE CATEGORY

- Open-weight division for **Senior (18+) athletes**
- Conducted as a **separate elite division**

COMPETITION FLOW

ONLINE
REGISTRATION



ENTRY
VERIFICATION



OFFICIAL ENTRY
LIST

- KUMITE DIVISION → SUPER GOLD CATEGORY → FINALS
- KATA DIVISION → FINALS
- SENIOR OPEN CUP → FINALS

PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

- One athlete may compete in only one Kumite weight category
- Super Gold participation is limited to **Pool Winners only**
- Athletes may participate in both Kumite and Kata divisions
- **Senior (18+) athletes** are permitted to compete in the Senior Open Cup and may also participate in the Kata Division

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INDIVIDUAL KUMITE EVENT

INDIVIDUAL KUMITE CATEGORIES (MALE & FEMALE)

Age Division	Male Kumite (kg)	Female Kumite (kg)
Junior (16-17)	-61, -68, -76, +76	-53, -59, -66, +66
Cadet (14-15)	-57, -63, -70, +70	-47, -54, -61, +61
Under 14	-45, -50, -55, +55	-42, -47, -52, +52
Under 12	-35, -40, -45, +45	-30, -35, -40, +40
Under 10	-23, +23	-23, +23
Under 8	Open Weight	Open Weight
Under 6	Open Weight	Open Weight

AWARDS PER POOL:

- Gold Medal | Silver Medal | Bronze Medal | Bronze Medal
- Athletes who do not secure a win shall receive a Participation Certificate and Appreciation Medal.
- The Gold Medalist (Pool Winner) from each weight category will qualify for the Super Gold Event, based on their respective age division.

NOTE:

- The age limit for competitors in the corresponding category will be the first day of the event.
- Minimum participant requirement for a weight category is 8; otherwise, the category will be merged.
- Participants must compete strictly in their respective age and weight categories as per official regulations. Open weight divisions apply to the Under 6 and Under 8 categories.

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SUPER GOLD EVENT (M & F)

Champion of Champions

ELIGIBILITY

- Only Pool Winners (Gold Medalists) qualify
- Qualification is based on age category
- All Gold Medalists from different weight categories within the same age group will qualify

SUPER GOLD AGE CATEGORIES AND CASH PRIZES

AGE CATEGORY (M/F)	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
Under 6 (U6)	₹5,500	₹2,500
Under 8 (U8)	₹5,500	₹2,500
Under 10 (U10)	₹5,500	₹2,500
Under 12 (U12)	₹7,000	₹3,000
Under 14 (U14)	₹7,000	₹3,000
Under 16 (U16)	₹7,000	₹3,000
Under 18 (U18)	₹7,000	₹3,000

Awards: Super Gold Winner Medal and Super Gold Runner-up Medal will be awarded in each Super Gold age category.

- All qualified Pool Winners from respective weight categories will be combined into a single Super Gold bracket.
- This structure ensures that the best athletes across all weight divisions within the same age group compete against each other.

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SUPER GOLD EVENT (M & F)

Champion of Champions

COMPETITION FORMAT

- Each age category will form an independent Super Gold bracket
- Format may be adjusted (Round Robin / Knockout) depending on the number of qualified athletes to ensure competitive fairness
- The winner will be declared the **KKC Super Gold Champion** of that age division

MATCH DURATION & WINNING CRITERIA

- **Knockouts:** 1.5 minutes or 4-point lead
- **Semi-finals:** 2 minutes or 6-point lead
- **Finals:** 3 minutes or 8-point lead

IMPORTANT NOTE

- A **minimum of 16 athletes** must participate in the Individual Kumite event within an age category (across all weight divisions combined) for the Super Gold Event of that age category to be conducted. If the minimum participation is not met, the Super Gold category may be cancelled, or the prize structure may be adjusted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- Super Gold is an **open-weight competition within each age category**
- Participation in Super Gold implies acceptance of open-weight competition.
- Mandatory coach/guardian consent for minors
- Super Gold rounds will be conducted on the same day or the next day, subject to scheduling.

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KATA EVENT (M & F)

Technical Excellence Division

ELIGIBILITY

Open to athletes in the following age categories:

- Under 14 (U14)
- Under 16 (U16)
- Under 18 (U18)
- Senior (18+)

FORMAT & STRUCTURE

- Individual Kata competition
- Conducted under WKF-aligned rules
- Scoring-based elimination format
- Finalists compete for podium positions

CASH PRIZES

Winner: ₹5,500

Runner-up: ₹2,500

AWARDS: GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE MEDALS WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH AGE CATEGORY.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT

Minimum **16 participants required per age category**

If minimum participation is not met:

- The category may be merged
- Cash prize eligibility may be adjusted

IMPORTANT NOTE

- The Kata event is conducted as a **separate division from Kumite**
- Final format may be adjusted based on the number of entries
- Kata event registration follows the standard phase-based registration fees as defined in the registration section.

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SENIOR OPEN CUP (M & F)

Elite Open Category

ELIGIBILITY

- Open to all athletes aged 18 years and above (Senior category only)
- No weight restrictions apply (Open Weight Division)

FORMAT & STRUCTURE

- Open weight division
- Knockout system
- Conducted as a **separate** elite category

MATCH DURATION & WINNING CRITERIA

- **Knockouts:** 1.5 minutes or 4-point lead
- **Semi-finals:** 2 minutes or 6-point lead
- **Finals:** 3 minutes or 8-point lead

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT

- **Minimum 32** athletes required
- If minimum participation is not met, the category may be modified or cancelled, or converted into an alternative format.

CASH PRIZES

Winner: ₹51,000

Runner-up: ₹21,000

No Weight Limit • Open to All Senior Fighters

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REGISTRATIONS OPEN – KKC 2026

Limited Slots • No On-Spot Entries • Early Registration Advantage

Registration Window: **15 April – 20 June 2026**

PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
EARLY BIRD	STANDARD	FINAL CALL
15 Apr – 30 Apr	1 May – 31 May	1 June – 20 June
₹1800	₹2000	₹2500
✓ Official KKC Athlete T-Shirt		

KUMITE & KATA REGISTRATION

Registration fees apply **per event** as per the selected phase
Applicable for:

- Individual Kumite Event
- Individual Kata Event

If an athlete participates in both Kumite and Kata, a **separate registration fee will apply for each event**

SENIOR OPEN CUP (ELITE CATEGORY)

- Registration Fee: ₹2000
- Open weight category
- Separate registration from individual kumite

REGISTER NOW

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Slots are limited • Categories may close early upon capacity

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REGISTRATION PROCESS & ENTRY GUIDELINES

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- 1 Online Registration Submission**
Complete the online registration form
- 2 Payment Confirmation**
Pay the registration fee online and receive confirmation.
- 3 Entry Verification**
Organizers verify submitted details and confirm your entry.
- 4 Final Entry List Publication**
Check the official entry list to confirm your participation.
- 5 Reporting & Weigh-in (Event Day)**
Report at the venue for verification and weigh-in as per the schedule.

ENTRY CONDITIONS

- No on-spot registration
- Entry valid only after successful online payment
- No refund except in case of event cancellation by organizers
- Consent form & Valid ID proof (Aadhaar Card / Passport) mandatory during weigh-in

i Entry fees vary by registration phase and apply separately for each event (Kumite / Kata).

Entries may close early based on category capacity.

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GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

Applicable to All Participants, Coaches & Officials

GOVERNING FRAMEWORK

- The Khel Karate Championship (KKC) 2026 shall be conducted under **WKF-aligned** Kumite, Kata rules and regulations, with adaptations defined in this bulletin
- All matches will follow the official competition guidelines as defined by the organizers
- In case of any dispute, the decision of the **Tournament Director / Referee Commission** shall be final

ELIGIBILITY

- Participation is limited to athletes who have completed online registration and payment before the official deadline.
- Athletes must compete strictly in their respective age and weight categories
- **Super Gold Event** Category is restricted to **Pool Winners (Gold Medalists)**
- **Senior Open Cup** is open to all athletes aged 18 years and above

DISCIPLINE & CONDUCT

- All participants must maintain discipline, respect, and **fair play**
- Misconduct, abusive behavior, or violation of rules may result in penalties or **disqualification**
- Use of mobile phones inside the competition area is strictly prohibited

REPORTING RULES

- All athletes must report with their **personal equipment and kumite/Kata-compliant attire** before their scheduled match time for verification.
- Failure to report on time may result in **disqualification or a walkover decision**.
- Coaches and participants are solely responsible for monitoring bout schedules and official announcements.

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- The Organizing Authority reserves the right to modify, adjust, or cancel categories/events
- Entries may be limited based on participation capacity and scheduling requirements
- Dates and venue can be changed according to stadium availability

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ATTIRE, ROLES & DISCIPLINE

Applicable to Referees, Judges, Coaches & Participants

REFEREES & JUDGES (OFFICIALS)

ATTIRE

- Navy blue blazer
- Light grey trousers, White shirt
- Official tie (no tie pin)
- Black socks & black slip-on shoes
- Whistle with cord

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensure fair and unbiased officiating
- Apply rules strictly as per the WKF-aligned system
- Maintain control of the bout area and athlete conduct
- Coordinate with Tatami Manager and Referee Commission

DISCIPLINE

- Any form of bias, misconduct, or negligence may lead to removal from officiating duties. **Referee Commission to reject non-compliant officials**

COACHES

ATTIRE

- Official **tracksuit** or academy uniform
- Sports shoes (no slippers/sandals)
- ID card mandatory (each team will get **2 coach cards**)

ROLE DURING MATCH

- Only one coach is allowed in the coach area per athlete
- Coaching must be conducted in a professional and respectful manner
- Interference with referees/judges is strictly prohibited

DISCIPLINE

- Misconduct, shouting, or abusive behavior may result in a warning, Removal from the coaching area.

ATHLETES (PARTICIPANTS)

- Clean white karate gi with Red (AKA) / Blue (AO) belts.
- Protective **equipment Compulsory for Kumite**: Gloves (Red/Blue), Mouthguard, Body protector, Shin guards, Foot protectors
- A **Groin guard (male) is mandatory** for participants **above 14 years**
- A **helmet is mandatory** for all kumite participants **under 14 years**
- Personal hygiene and proper grooming are mandatory
- Nails must be short and clean. No jewelry or unauthorized items allowed

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VERIFICATION & COMPLIANCE

Mandatory for All Participants, Coaches & Officials

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Participants must present the following at the time of verification:

- **Consent Form**
- **Valid ID Proof**
- **Age Proof** (Aadhaar Card / Passport / School ID)

AGE & CATEGORY RULES

- Athletes must compete strictly in their registered age and weight category
- Any mismatch in age or category will result in immediate **disqualification**
- No category changes will be permitted after final registration

DECLARATION (SPECIAL CASE)

- In case of missing documents during verification, a written declaration may be submitted
- The participant must submit valid documents before the next round/match.
- Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the event

ENFORCEMENT

- All participants must comply with the official verification process
- All cash prize winners shall be subject to detailed document verification (DigiLocker and/or original documents) prior to the disbursement of prize money.
- Submission of false, forged, or misleading documents at any stage of the competition will result in immediate disqualification and **forfeiture of titles, rankings, and prize money.**
- In such cases, the title, ranking, and prize money shall be awarded to the next eligible athlete, as determined by the organizing authority.
- The decision of the Organizing Authority shall be final and binding

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DISCIPLINARY RULES & PROTEST POLICY

Disciplinary Control & Dispute Resolution

DISQUALIFICATION

An athlete may be disqualified for:

- Providing false information or forged documents
- Competing in an incorrect age or weight category
- Impersonation or competing on behalf of another athlete
- Participation without valid registration or approval
- Repeated misconduct or violation of competition rules

PROTEST PROCEDURE

- Protests must be submitted within 5 minutes of the match result
- Only the **official coach** or team representative is permitted to file a protest
- A protest fee of **₹5,000** must be submitted at the time of filing

PENALTIES

- Unsportsmanlike behavior may result in warnings, penalties, or **disqualification**
- Serious violations may lead to removal from the event
- The Organizing Authority reserves the right to impose additional disciplinary action if required

PROTEST CONDITIONS

- Protests are permitted **only for eligibility or procedural issues**
- **Decisions** made by **referees/judges** during the match are **final** and not subject to protest

FINAL DECISION

- The protest will be reviewed by the **Referee Commission / Organizing Committee**
- If the protest is upheld, necessary action will be taken
- If the protest is rejected, the decision shall be final and binding
- The protest fee is **non-refundable**

MISCONDUCT & DISCIPLINARY ACTION

- False or baseless protests may result in disciplinary action
- Misconduct during protest submission may lead to **disqualification or suspension**

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LEGAL DISCLAIMER & LIABILITY

Participation Terms & Risk Acknowledgement

RISK DECLARATION

- Participation in KKC 2026 is entirely at the **participant's own risk** and responsibility
- Karate is a contact sport, and injuries may occur during training or competition
- By registering, participants accept all associated risks
- For minors, participation requires consent and liability acceptance by a parent/guardian

MEDIA CONSENT

- The Organizing Authority reserves the right to use **photographs, videos, and recordings** of participants
- Content may be used for promotion, media coverage, and official documentation
- No separate permission or compensation shall be required

MEDICAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Athletes are strongly advised to undergo a proper medical check-up before participation
- The Organizing Authority shall not be held responsible for any injury, illness, or medical condition arising during the event. Basic first aid facilities will be available; however, the organizers shall not be liable for any medical expenses beyond basic first aid.

FINAL AUTHORITY

- In case of unforeseen circumstances, the Organizing Authority holds the right to reschedule or cancel the tournament; in that case, only the registration amount received will be refunded based on the payment Receipt provided by the Organizing Authority
- All decisions made by the organizing committee shall be final and binding

DECLARATION

- **By completing registration, participants hereby agree to all rules, regulations, and policies of KKC 2026**
- Non-compliance with any rule may result in **disqualification** without refund

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The Organizing Authority, sponsors, officials, and venue authorities shall not be held liable for:

- Any injury or accident
- Loss or damage of personal belongings
- Any unforeseen incident during the event

JURISDICTION

All disputes shall fall under the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts located in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India.

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