



SUMMARY OF RULES

1. Each competitor, referee, and judge must wear a complete, clean gi.
2. Safety equipment for hands, headgear, mouthpieces, and groin protectors (for men) are mandatory in ALL KUMITE DIVISIONS. NO EXCEPTIONS! Shin guards are strongly recommended.
3. Shoes, sneakers, slippers, etc. may not be worn by any competitor in the kumite divisions.
4. Competitors cannot wear any protective equipment made of metal, plastic, wood, or any other hard materials.
5. Fingernails and toenails must be clipped short or taped.
6. Kumite competitors must not wear any jewelry.
7. A competitor may not talk at any time during a match unless a time out has been called. Only then will they raise their hand and ask their question.
8. If a competitor fails to appear in their ring on time, that competitor will be disqualified, and all fees forfeited.
9. All byes are awarded IN the first round.
10. Legal targets include the chest, stomach, face, head, sides of neck, kidneys, and back. The groin, eyes, throat, and spine are not target areas.
11. Sweeps are not allowed.
12. Any contact to the competitor's head, face, throat, neck, spine, or groin, regardless of how slight, constitutes either a warning, foul, or disqualification – referees' discretion. Exception: Light, controlled contact is allowed to the helmet/face shield in all Black Belt divisions.
13. Excessive or malicious contact, any display of poor sportsmanship or disrespect, failure to wear proper uniform, or safety equipment, falsifying your age, rank, or any other registration information, any throws, takedowns, or dangerous sweeps are grounds for immediate disqualification.
14. Harassment from the sideline by classmates or instructors will not be tolerated. The offending individuals will be asked to leave the tournament.
15. Kumite matches will be 3 points (2 minutes). Black belt matches will be 5 points (3 minutes).
16. Winners will receive their awards as their respective divisions finish.
- 17. The tournament director reserves the right to eject any individual that he considers to be detrimental to the image of martial arts.**



Methuen Classic 2024 – Registration - Children’s Division
Methuen Karate Association

Name: _____ Karate School: _____

Age: _____ Rank/Belt: _____ Years in Karate: _____ Male Female

Address (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN’S DIVISIONS ~ Please check all that apply

“Beginner” = (White/Blue)..... “Intermediate” = Yellow/Green) “Advanced” = Brown/Jr. Grade Black)

Kata Divisions

- Ages 5-7 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 8-10 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 11-13 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 14-17 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive

Sparring Divisions

- Ages 5-7 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 8-10 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 11-13 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 14-17 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive

Weapons Divisions

- Ages 5-7 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 8-10 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 11-13 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive
Ages 14-17 Beginner Intermediate Advanced Adaptive

I, the undersigned, hereby release the Giordano Family / Methuen Karate Association and affiliates and all persons associated with this event in any capacity, from liability due to injuries, etc that may occur as a result of my attendance and/or participation at the above specified event. I hereby waive any compensation for the use of pictures, movies, media coverage, utilized by those associated with this event at any time.

Competitor’s Signature _____ Date _____ Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18 years of age) _____ Date _____



REGISTRATION FORMS DUE: OCTOBER 24, 2024

Mail Forms & Payment: Methuen Karate Association, 76 Bonanno Ct, Methuen, MA 01844

Entry Fees: \$40 Pre-registration / \$50 At-the-Door

** PLEASE NOTE: Divisions will be designated on day of tournament. Tournament rules attached.

