



Coaching Guidelines

All Coaches must be Certified and Credentialed by USA Karate.

Coaches' Official Dress

All Coaches shall at all times during the tournament wear the official tracksuit of their team including athletic type shoes. No open toe shoes will be allowed for Coaches while on the competition floor.

No ball caps or hats will be allowed on the competition floor.

Because space is limited on the competition floor, no large backpacks or bags will be allowed on the competition floor.

Credentials

Competition floor access is strictly restricted, Coaches must display their official photo credentials at all times while in Staging or on the competition floor.

Officials will check all passes and ensure all Coaches are authorized to be on the competition floor.

Competition Floor Access

Coaches are allowed on the competition floor only while their athlete's division is at the ring. Each athlete may only have one coach on the competition floor at a time.

Coaches should be seated at the ring while waiting for their athlete to compete. Coaches may not stand around the ring.

Coaches will be allowed on the floor for kata competition only during Elite divisions and must remain at the rings designated for Elite Kata divisions. No Coaches will be allowed on the floor during Open Kata divisions competition.

Charts

Coaches will be provided a copy of only Elite division charts in Staging.

Prohibited Interaction with Table Personnel

Coaches are strictly prohibited from being in the center aisle or behind the score table at any time. Unauthorized people can distract table personnel and affect the integrity of the scoreboard. The boundary will be clearly marked.

Coaches found in the center aisle or disturbing the table personnel will be removed without a warning.

Videotaping

Coaches are prohibited from videotaping on the competition floor. Coaches are allowed on the floor for the purpose of facilitating the event, coaching athletes and insuring a fair and equal sporting environment, NOT spectating. It is suggested spectators outside the competition floor be utilized for videotaping athlete performance.

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