



# SSKA National Open Kata Championships

2026



**Sunday 12th April 2026**  
**Doors open 9.00am**

**Orford Jubilee Neighbourhood Hub**  
**Jubilee Way • Orford • Warrington • WA2 8HE**



Competition entry packs are available  
from [www.sska.com](http://www.sska.com)  
Registration can be completed online  
at [www.kihapp.com](http://www.kihapp.com)







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**PLEASE READ BELOW VERY CAREFULLY!!**

As per our previous tournaments, the SSKA uses a web-based registration system.

Go to [www.kihapp.com](http://www.kihapp.com) and then select Tournaments at the top, scroll down to the SSKA Nationals, click on the link and you will be presented with a simple interface to register your Association, Schools, Referees, Coaches and Students.

Once a student has been registered, the categories they can compete in will be automatically shown.

If your student wishes to move up a category\*, in line with our Chief Referee's amendments, you can use the 'Fight-up' section on each competitors registration page.

It is highly recommended that registrations are completed carefully by a single representative of your dojo or Association.

BACS details are in this pack and online, along with a full list of categories. You may still use the manual forms supplied, but please be mindful of the final entry date when posting.

\*You are reminded that all students aged 35 years and below may not move up to the Veterans categories, but the Veterans may compete ONE category below their own.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CAR PARKING AT THE EVENT

The Orford Hub maintains a very strict parking policy. You may park anywhere on the event site and parking is **FREE** for **up to 3 hours**. If you intend to stay any **longer than 3 hours**, you **MUST** enter your car registration at the Hub reception in order to avoid a fine that **WILL** be imposed if you do not comply with their parking policy. Please share this information with **everybody** who will be attending the event.



For more info on SSKA  
[www.sska.club](http://www.sska.club)





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Dear Sensei,

We would like to take this opportunity to cordially invite you to participate in the following competition:

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Please find enclosed your printer-friendly advert poster, category and entry forms. Note: We wish to emphasise that this is a CLUB competition and ALL Karateka are welcome.

Please understand the importance of completing the entry forms correctly. Ensure your entries are accurate as it may not be possible to switch contestants on the day.

To assist with the trophy acquisition, we will need all entries returned by:

**Friday, March 27th 2026.**

**All categories shall be set on 27th March 2026 and the trophies ordered. Thereafter, any late entries for categories which have been cancelled, shall be refused.**

Individuals categories shall run with 1st, 2nd and joint 3rd place will be medals. Pairs and Teams categories will have 1st place trophies, 2nd/joint 3rd place medals. All categories shall be run as a minimum of two rounds.

We look forward to seeing you at our tournament.

Yours in Karate,

**Hanshi Paul Graham, 9th Dan**

President, Shukokai•Shitoryu Karate Alliance

Official Squad



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Registered Members





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**All Styles • All Clubs • All Welcome**

**At least 38 brackets including:**

**Shitoryu • Shukokai • Shotokan • Open**

**All styles are welcome and will be catered for.**

**Individual Events - £15.00**

**Pairs Events - £18.00 • Team Events - £22.00**

**All entries by Friday 27th March 2026  
(To aid aquisition of trophies)**

**Email: [sska.kata@icloud.com](mailto:sska.kata@icloud.com) for entry forms**

**Online registration at [www.kihapp.com](http://www.kihapp.com)**

**Doors open 9.00am • Kata commences 9.30am**

**Spectators £5.00 per person • Free for Under 10's**



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## Individual Categories

**Note: A contestant may enter as many categories as appropriate but must perform the Kata in the style of the category.**

|          |                |   | Mixed Male & Female |
|----------|----------------|---|---------------------|
| Under 10 | 9th to 8th Kyu | <b>Categories KA1 to KA5</b><br><b>Shitei Katas Only</b><br><b>May Repeat</b> | KA1                 |
| 10 to 12 | 9th to 8th Kyu |   | KA2                 |
| 13 to 14 | 9th to 8th Kyu |   | KA3                 |
| 15 to 17 | 9th to 8th Kyu |   | KA4                 |
| 18 plus  | 9th to 8th Kyu |   | KA5                 |

|            |                |  | Male | Female |
|------------|----------------|--|------|--------|
| Under 10   | 7th to 5th Kyu | <b>Categories KA6 to KA15</b><br><b>Shitei Katas Only</b><br><b>May Repeat</b> | KA6  | KA11   |
| 10 to 12   | 7th to 5th Kyu |  | KA7  | KA12   |
| 13 to 14   | 7th to 5th Kyu |  | KA8  | KA13   |
| 15 to 17   | 7th to 5th Kyu |  | KA9  | KA14   |
| 18 plus    | 7th to 5th Kyu |  | KA10 | KA15   |
| Under 10   | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, May repeat in final  | KA16 | KA19   |
| 10 to 12   | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, May repeat in final  | KA17 | KA20   |
| 13 to 14   | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, May repeat in final  | KA18 | KA21   |
| 12 & under | Black Belt     | Any Kata, No Repeats   | KA22 | KA24   |
| 13 to 14   | Black Belt     | Any Kata, No Repeats   | KA23 | KA25   |

| Male    |                | Open                          |      | Female  |                | Open                          |      |
|---------|----------------|-------------------------------|------|---------|----------------|-------------------------------|------|
| 15 plus | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, may repeat in final | KA26 | 15 plus | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, may repeat in final | KA28 |
| 36 plus | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, may repeat in final | KA27 | 36 plus | 4th to 1st Kyu | Any Kata, may repeat in final | KA29 |

| Male     |            |                         | Shotokan | Shitoryu | Shukokai | Open |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|------|
| 15 to 17 | Black Belt | Any Kata,<br>No Repeats | KA30     | KA31     | KA32     | KA33 |
| 18 to 35 | Black Belt |                         | KA34     | KA35     | KA36     | KA37 |
| 36 to 49 | Black Belt |                         |          |          |          | KA38 |
| 50 plus  | Black Belt |                         |          |          |          | KA39 |

| Female   |            |                         | Shotokan | Shitoryu | Shukokai | Open |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|------|
| 15 to 17 | Black Belt | Any Kata,<br>No Repeats | KA40     | KA41     | KA42     | KA43 |
| 18 to 35 | Black Belt |                         | KA44     | KA45     | KA46     | KA47 |
| 36 to 49 | Black Belt |                         |          |          |          | KA48 |
| 50 plus  | Black Belt |                         |          |          |          | KA49 |

| Mixed Male & Female Adapted Kata |            |                      | Open |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------|------|
| All Ages                         | All Grades | Any Kata, May repeat | KA50 |

Category KA50 may be separated into male and female on the day if there are enough competitors registered. See wall sheets for details.



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## Pairs/Team Categories

**Note: All Pairs/Trio categories can be Mixed Gender\* and also Mixed Age\*\* in the Open.**

| Teams - All styles | Open Grades          |       |      |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------|------|
| Under 10*          | Any Kata, May Repeat | Pairs | KA51 |
| 10 to 15*          | Any Kata, May Repeat | Pairs | KA52 |
| 16 plus*           | Any Kata, May Repeat | Pairs | KA53 |
| Open**             | Any Kata, May Repeat | Pairs | KA54 |
| Under 15*          | Any Kata, May Repeat | Trio  | KA55 |
| 16 plus*           | Any Kata, May Repeat | Trio  | KA56 |

**Please Note: Due to the varied nature of the styles, all attending clubs are requested to supply their own referees and table officials to assist with the judging of the events.**

**It is the competitors choice whether the Pairs/Team Kata begins in-line or on-line, but must be facing the Head Judge.**

All judges are expected to adhere to the ethos of the Karate code of conduct of impartiality when adopting this role. **Food and refreshments will be provided for registered officials.**

Use the web address below to download the official WUKF Kata listings for the Shotokan, Shukokai, Shitoryu and Open/Other Styles Kata's from: <https://www.wukf-karate.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/OFFICIAL-WUKF-KATA-LIST-05-FEB-2025.pdf>



### COMPETITION GUIDELINES

All categories shall be run to completion; there shall be no separate finals. Trophies and medals shall be awarded on each mat area. **All categories shall be judged on points, as per WUKF rules.**

The number of rounds per category will be determined by the Chief Referee once all entries have been submitted and compiled.

18-35 years competitors are NOT permitted to enter the 36 plus years categories. Veterans are permitted to move down ONE category. All other competitors may move up ONE AGE category (including pairs and teams).

Tie breaks in the final shall be decided by Flags when applicable.

Minimum amount of entries is 5 per event, 4 entries and less = event cancelled. In principle, the competitor will be moved up into the next age category. Under 15's brackets may be merged as Boys/Girls to create a category. In the event of a category being cancelled, the club instructor will be notified by email. **The club instructor is responsible for informing the competitor.**

All categories shall have the draw sorted by a specifically designed random selection system.

All coaches **must** wear full official tracksuits/uniforms.

All coaches wishing to address the top table **must** display a valid coach's badge and be dressed in full coach's attire.

Contestants deemed to be inappropriately dressed shall be allowed a limited period to rectify matters after which time, if they have not conformed to the requirements, they will be disqualified.

It is accepted that all club officials will impress on their students that the mat areas are for the actual competitors only. It is also expected that all the competitors shall show respect for their compatriots, the officials, the spectators and the event staff.

**COMPETITION ENTRIES TO:** Paul Graham • CMAC • 1st Floor • Evans House • Norman Street • Warrington • WA2 7HW  
Mobile: 07831 418631 • E-mail: [sska.kata@icloud.com](mailto:sska.kata@icloud.com) • Website: [www.sska.club](http://www.sska.club)

BACS only payments are preferred and should be made payable to **Shukokai Karate Account**.

Sort Code: 05-05-35 • Account No: 17446587 • please add reference **COMPAY** plus your club name.

**No entries will be accepted on the day.**

**The responsibility for correctly completing the entry form lies with the Instructor. Changes to entries on the day shall only occur if the category has a bye open. Incorrect entries will be deemed as void and non-refundable.**





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| Club Name:     | Full Address: |
| Contact Name:  |               |
| Tel/Mobile No: |               |
| Email:         | Postcode:     |

## Individual Entry Form - 14 years and Under

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**Total** | **£**

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**Due to the varied nature of the styles, all attending clubs are requested to supply their own referees and table officials to assist with the judging of the events. Refreshments and lunch are supplied for registered officials.**

| Name | Judge/Table Official | Style |
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| Club Name:     | Full Address: |
| Contact Name:  |               |
| Tel/Mobile No: |               |
| Email:         | Postcode:     |

# Individual Entry Form - 15 years Plus

| Competitors<br>Full Name | Club<br>Style | Age at<br>Date of<br>Comp. | Sex<br>M/F | Grade at<br>Date of<br>Comp. | Category No.<br>from List |       | Amount<br>Due<br>in £'s |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------------------------|
|                          |               |                            |            |                              | Kata                      | Open  |                         |
| Example: John Smith      | Shotokan      | 17                         | M          | 1st Dan                      | KA30                      | KA33  | £30                     |
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# Team/Pairs Entry Form

| Team/Pairs Entry Form |       |      | Number of Teams | Amount Due in £'s |
|-----------------------|-------|------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Under 10              | Pairs | KA51 |                 |                   |
| 10 to 15              | Pairs | KA52 |                 |                   |
| 16 plus               | Pairs | KA53 |                 |                   |
| Open – Mixed Age      | Pairs | KA54 |                 |                   |
| Under 15              | Trio  | KA55 |                 |                   |
| 16 plus               | Trio  | KA56 |                 |                   |
|                       |       |      | <b>Total</b>    | <b>£</b>          |