

3 DAYS of TOP KARATE



28TH BUDAPEST OPEN

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12TH-14TH SEPTEMBER, 2025

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GREETINGS FROM DR. JÁNOS MÉSZÁROS

DEAR SPORT LEADERS, COACHES, COMPETITORS! DEAR GUESTS!



Welcome to the 28th Budapest Open international karate tournament. This event, which takes place every September, has become the biggest and most prestigious international karate tournament in Hungary in the last years and even decades. I am very happy that this year, Budapest Open will be held for the 28th time thanks to Gerd Rebicek, the founder of the tournament and its main organizer and his team. Last year, for the first time in its history, our championship was held over three days and attracted a huge number of karateka - 2,300 karateka from 39 nations - competing in form and combat. In addition to the quantity, the quality was also world-class: thanks to the

many Olympic, World and European medallists, the standard of competition was higher than ever before. We feel that, Budapest Open is becoming increasingly important in the process of preparing for world competitions, with many countries using the event as a qualification tournament. Over the decades, the tournament has given many domestic and foreign karatekas the opportunity to compete in the international arena, gain experience to develop and succeed in their careers. A good example are two of our outstanding competitors, Gábor Hárszpataki and Tadissi Martial, who grew up and achieved world-wide successes at this tournament, among others.

I am sure that our capital will be a worthy host for visiting athletes, coaches, officials, referees and fans, whether they are returning guests or coming to Budapest for the first time. I wish them to have a great time in Hungary, take home unforgettable memories and return many times. And to the Hungarian competitors, I wish them to follow in the footsteps of Hársi, Márszi and the other great athletes who have achieved great success and to take advantage of the opportunities offered by the Budapest Open.

I wish all participants an injury-free fight and spectators a memorable experience!

Dr. János Mészáros

President of the Hungarian Karate Federation

GREETINGS FROM REBICEK GERD

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, SPORTS LEADERS, COACHES, COMPETITORS,

For the Budapest Open the year 2024 was a very important year. For the first time we organized the tournament in the new sporthall and for the first time in three days. The interest for the Budapest Open has been very high again. At the end of the Juny we must close the registration possibility already, because the number of sportsmen has reached 2 800, and a biggger number of competitors is impossible to handle in 2 and half days. The flooding in Europe negatively affected our tournament. Some countries did not take the risk and did not travel to Budapest, but anyhow in three days 2 300 representatives from 39 countries fought on the tatami and the level of the tournament and competitors was higher than ever before.



We hope that this tendency will continue in 2025 also and that a lot of countries will choose the Budapest Open again as a qualification event for their competitors for upcoming Senior WCH and cadet, junior and U21 ECH.

Dear Sports friends, we are looking forward to meeting you this autumn in Budapest again. Besides the tournament you can visit the places you already know or explore new ones but in any case, you can be sure you will compete in a very high-level tournament again. In case you visit our tournament for the first time we hope you will have a very nice time in Budapest and you will join the other sportsmen who visit Hungary regularly every year.

Best regards,

REBICEK GERD

Organizing Committee

VENUE:

**Dr. Koltai Jenő Sports Hall of the
Hungarian University of Sport Science**

DATE:

12th-14th of September, 2025.

ADDRESS:

1123 Budapest, Csörsz utca 2-10.

TIME:

**Friday – from 15:00
Saturday & Sunday – from 8:00**



FRIDAY 12TH

KATA INDIVIDUAL

Kadet:	male – female
Junior:	male – female
U 21:	male – female
Senior:	male – female

SATURDAY 13TH

Kumite junior:	male	-55 kg -61 kg -68 kg -76 kg +76 kg
	female	-48 kg -53 kg -59 kg -66 kg +66 kg
Kumite U 21:	male	-60 kg -67 kg -75 kg -84 kg +84 kg
	female	-50 kg -55 kg -61 kg -68 kg +68 kg
Kumite senior:	male	-60 kg -67 kg -75 kg -84 kg +84 kg
	female	-50 kg -55 kg -61 kg -68 kg +68 kg

Special category: Kumite open male and female.

1st place 600 Euro

2nd place 400 Euro

3rd place 150-150 Euro

RULES: WKF system

REGISTRATION: 12th September, from 12:00 till 21:00 at the Sports Hall,
weigh-in for all cadet, junior, U 21, and senior categories.

WEIGH-IN: 13th September, from 7:00 until 14:00 at the Sports Hall, also a possibility
for registration. The weight tolerance is maximum 1 kilogram.

ENTRY FEE: 40 Euro for each category,
50 Euro open category,
Please pay the entry fee with the registration together on the spot.

SUNDAY 14TH

CATEGORIES

Boys and girls in the following age and weight categories:

5-7 years old	boys -24 kg and +24 kg girls -22 kg and + 22 kg
8-9 years old	boys -27 kg -32 kg and +32 kg. girls -30 kg and +30 kg
10-11 years old	boys -30 kg -35 kg -40kg -45 kg and +45 kg girls -30 kg -35 kg-40 kg and + 40 kg
12-13 years old	boys -40 kg -45 kg -50 kg -55 kg and +55 kg girls -42 kg -47 kg -52 kg, +52 kg
Cadet	boys -52 kg -57 kg -63 kg -70 kg and +70 kg girls -47 kg -54 kg, -61 kg +61 kg

Please, consider the age of the competitors at the date of the tournament!

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Individual kata and kumite for children 5-13 years old, cadets' kumite only!

RULES:

WKF system – full repechage will be applied, with the following changes:
kata categories from 5 to 13 years old, 2 competitors perform the kata simultaneously, except for medal matches. In medal matches aka and au perform the kata separately.

1 minute for kumite age 5-11, 1,5 minutes for kumite age 12-13,
2 minutes for cadets.

kata: age 5-7, 8-9, 10-11 – at least 2 different kata required
age 12-13 – at least 3 different kata required

All categories full repechage!

REGISTRATION/WEIGH-IN: 14th September from 7:00 till 10:00 at the Sports Hall.

Weigh-in is obligatory in cadet kumite categories only.

The weight tolerance is a maximum of 1 kilogram.

In children's categories, only the randomly selected few have to weigh in. If the competitor is above the weight class by 1,5 kg in karate pants and a t-shirt, he/she will be disqualified from the competition!

PROTECTION: Gum shields, WKF-type red and blue mitts, shin pads, and foot protection, for women chest protection over 12 years is mandatory.

ENTRY FEE: for each category up to U14: 35 Euro
cadets: 40 Euro
Please pay the entry fee with registration together on the spot.

PRIZES: 1-3 places: medals and certificates, the winner of each category will receive a cup and special award offered by the sponsors.

DRAW: 11th September, 2025.

OTHER INFORMATION

PROTEST: The protest has to be submitted in writing to the referee council of the tournament and a 100 Euro protest fee has to be deposited. If the protest is accepted by the referee council, the fee is going to be refunded.

REFEREES: Referees are going to be delegated by the Hungarian Karate Federation, the chief referee is Mr. Tamás Molnár. Foreign-qualified referees are welcome. Please, apply in writing to nominate your referee!

RESPONSIBILITY: The organization committee will not bear any responsibility of any kinds of damages or losses.

ATTENTION: All competitors must have their own red and blue belts.

REGISTRATION

DEADLINE FOR THE REGISTRATION

PHASE 1: 1ST OF AUGUST

OR UNTIL THE MAXIMUM NUMBER PREDETERMINED BY THE
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – 2 400 REGISTRATIONS.

During this phase you can register your competitors in WKF categories in one kumite and one kata category only, except the U21, senior and open kumite, same with U21 and senior kata categories, where you can register them in both age categories.

PHASE 2: FROM 2ND OF AUGUST

UNTIL THE MAXIMUM NUMBER PREDETERMINED
BY THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – 2 400 REGISTRATIONS.

If the number of registered competitors in wkf categories will not reach the maximum number predetermined by the organizing committee you can register your cadet, and junior competitors into the upper age category than they are.

Any changes until the 31st of august are free of charge, from 1st of september until the 10st september any changes or deletions cost 20 Euro, any changes from 10st of september and On the spot cost full registration fee.

Please be aware that...

if the number of registration have reached the maximum number predetermined by the organizing committee, the registration will be closed before the deadline!

REGISTRATION ONLINEwww.sportdata.org

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

FRIDAY 12TH

12:00 – 21:00	Registration, weigh in at the Sport Hall
15:00 – 21:00	Individual kata cadet, junior, U21, senior, male – female

SATURDAY 13TH

07:00 – 13:00	Registration, weigh in for junior, U 21 & senior categories at the Sport Hall
08:00 – 10:00	Kumite U21 male, female
10:00 – 10:20	Opening ceremony
10:30 – 21:00	Individual kumite bouts in the following order: junior senior open

The medal awarding ceremony will be continuously held during the competition.

SUNDAY 14TH

07:00 – 10:00	Registration, weigh-in for cadet categories at the Sport Hall
08:00 – 10:00	Boys & girls kata
10:00 – 20:00	Cadet male, female kumite, boys & girls kumite

The medal awarding ceremony will be continuously held during the competition.
The detailed time schedule will be published 3 days before the Budapest open starts.

ACCOMMODATION

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Dear friends, we look forward to see you in our tournament!

Best regards,

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