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Bulletin 1.

WKF REFEREE TRAINING COURSE

WITH JAVIER ESCALANTE

WKF RC CHAIRMAN

- FOR REFEREES, COACHES, INSTRUCTORS, AND ATHLETES -

București - Complex SILVA - 04-06.09.2026





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Dear referees, coaches, instructors, and athletes,

The **Romanian Karate Federation**, together with the **Central Referee Commission**, has the distinct pleasure of inviting you to a landmark event for the development of Romanian karate:

WKF Referee Training Course

We are proud to announce that this edition will be led directly by **Mr. Javier Escalante**, WKF RC Chairman.

His presence provides a rare opportunity to learn directly from the highest global authority on regulations and refereeing.

What are the advantages of participating?

- **Referees:**

- **Information straight from the source:** Correctly understanding and precisely applying the latest amendments and nuances of the official WKF regulations.
- **International alignment:** Synchronizing scoring and penalty criteria with the standards of the European and World Championships.
- **Unification of criteria:** Reducing refereeing discrepancies at the national level by applying the same uniform set of rules across all competitions.

- **Coaches and Instructors:**

- **Top tactical strategy:** Gaining a deep understanding of how referees evaluate techniques, allowing you to adapt your athletes' combat tactics to maximize points.
- **Efficient protest management:** Learning the optimal timing and correct way to utilize the video review/protest system during official matches.
- **Increased competitiveness:** An informed coach instantly places their club and athletes one step ahead of competitors who do not know the fine details of the regulations.



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- **Athletes:**

- ▣ **Knowing exactly what referees score:** Learn directly from the highest world body which elements transform a simple technique into a guaranteed point (Yuko, Waza-ari, Ippon) in the eyes of the referee panel.
- ▣ **Preventing match-losing sanctions:** Learn the fine line between permitted contact and a penalty, avoiding disqualifications or unnecessary warnings at critical moments of the fight.
- ▣ **Champion mindset:** Interacting directly with the number one official of the WKF gives you a global perspective on modern karate and builds self-confidence when stepping onto international stages.
- ▣ **Advantage over opponents:** An athlete who knows the regulations as well as a referee will always exploit the tactical mistakes of opponents who fight purely on instinct.

**We welcome international participants to join us alongside the
Romanian Karate Federation for this course!**





- **Information:**

- **Organizer:** Romanian Karate Federation and the Central Referee Commission
- **Date:** September 04 – 06, 2026
- **Location:** Silva Complex (9A Petricani Street, 023841 Bucharest) [Location](#)
- **Cost:** The course fee is 80 Eur. Referees, coaches and athletes are welcome.
- **Registration Deadline:** Friday, August 28, 2026. Registration is done by accessing the following link: <https://forms.gle/rWYRtDDhP8waYco86>
- **Payment:** To reduce registration time as much as possible, payment must be made into the account of the Romanian Karate Federation (with the specification: "Referee Course / [Name] / [Country] / [Club]"): RO48 RNCB 0084 0107 8696 0002 – BCR MIHAI BRAVU.
- **Accommodation:** Those wishing to stay at the SILVA Complex for the duration of the course are requested to contact the Hotel Reception directly as soon as possible, as the number of places is limited (Phone number: 0040 731 844 379, or Booking.com). Please note that several other hotels and Airbnb properties are also available within walking distance of the venue.
- **REQUIRED DRESS CODE:**
 - **Referees:** Referee uniform and tie.
 - **Coaches and Athletes:** Tracksuit (club tracksuit).

- **COURSE SCHEDULE*:**

Saturday, September 05, 2026

08:30 - 09:30	Registration
10:00 - 12:20	Kumite Theoretical Course
12:20 - 12:30	Break
12:30 - 13:30	Kumite Practical Course – Gestures / Signals
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 - 15:00	Group Photo Session
15:00 - 16:00	Kumite Practical Course – Kumite situations (with and without athletes)
16:00 - 16:10	Break
16:15 - 17:45	Kumite Practical Course - Kumite matches with athletes
17:45 - 18:15	Kumite Q&A
18:30 - 20:00	First Aid Course
21:00 -	Sayonara dinner with Mr. Javier Escalante. Attendance is optional. Details regarding the cost are to be announced.



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Sunday, September 06, 2026

9:00 - 10:30	Kata Theoretical Course
10:30 - 11:20	Kata Video Analysis
11:20 - 11:30	Break
11:30 - 12:30	Kata Practical Course – Judging Kata matches, with emphasis on the new changes (theatrical elements and acoustic signals)
12:30 - 13:00	Kata Q&A
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break

****The schedule above may subject to changes depending on the number of participants!**

For additional information, we remain at your disposal at the e-mail address: ccafrkarate@gmail.com.

Respectfully,

Octavian Amzulescu

**President of
Romanian Karate Federation**

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**President of
Central Referee Commission**