

Polynesian Rules

Uniforms/Competitors

All contestants must present themselves suitably attired and ready to compete. The competitor shall wear a uniform that in his/her opinion best represents the system or form he/she is to perform.

Protocol for competitor call to the ring

Competitor will be directed to their assigned rings for competition starting with the youngest division. When all age divisions have been directed to their rings, the volunteers in each ring will begin to line the competitors by experience levels. When competitors have been lined up properly, the volunteers can begin to collect division sheets from each competitor. Sheets are then turned upside down, mixed up and then the names are put on the score sheets. Competitors reporting to the ring after the score-sheets have been prepared, perform first or next if the division has already started. If a division is more than half through, they cannot be allowed to compete.

Spectators

Spectators are a valued participant in Polynesian Events. We asked that all spectators show the respect and encouragement that is consistent with good citizenship. If there is a challenge with the event or its participants, judges, referees or volunteers please address the coach of the competitor that you are concerned about. **At no time may a spectator be in the competition area unless requested by the Center Judge or Tournament Coordinator.**

Rule infractions will result in the spectator's athletes being penalized under the contact warnings section of this passbook and may result in revocation of the athlete's credential & a request to leave the event.

Coaching

We are looking to coaches as being the role models to the competitors. Please display the mannerisms that are consistent with respect and honor. Thank you in advance.

Coaching/Requirements

A coach is defined as a recognized instructor from a participating school, that is the head of or designated by the head of a martial arts school/team or club.

Every school/team/club is allowed (1) coach on the competition floor for every 10 athletes registered in the competition. Coaches must be registered and credentialed at the first event they attend in any calendar year. Only registered coaches will be allowed on the floor.

Coaches are only allowed, a minimum of 2 ft from the ring. During fighting, when their athlete is in the ring, (1) coach will be allowed to sit on the side of the ring in a designated seat & must conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner in accordance with these rules & regulations.

Coaches Credentials that are transferred to any person other than the original person it was issued to will be revoked.

Athletes may not coach when they are through competing, unless they are the designated coach for the team & do not exceed the number of coaches allowed.

Coaches must be dressed in an appropriate manner. Any coach displaying vulgar or offensive clothing will not allowed on or be asked to leave the floor and or the event.

All Coaches must adhere to these Rules

No negative coaching is allowed. Rule infractions will result in the coach's athletes being penalized under the contact warnings section of this passbook, and in revocation of Coaching Credential & a request to leave the event. No coaching from the sidelines.

All Athlete, Coaches, Volunteers, and Officials are required to sign the Event's Waiver Release Form prior to participating in the event.

Forms - Traditional Polynesian / Hawaiian / Kajukenbo / Kenpo Forms

There is no seeding in forms or sparring.

You must perform any traditional form with the origins Polynesian, Hawaiian, Kajukenbo or Kenpo background.

The Martial Artist Must: show that he/she is the Master of his/her body and its movements, and that he/she can complete his/her routine with control, ease, style and exactness. With this in mind, the Officials must first look for good posture, continuity, crispness of movement and proper technique.

Ring Procedure and Protocol/ Dispute & Arbitration/Weapons & Forms

No Spectators, competitors or Coaches may step into the ring to dispute a call. All disputes must be brought to the attention of the arbitrator. If no designated arbitrator is present then the Event Official in charge of the event or Center Referee in shall be notified and rectify the situation if necessary.

Addition errors – If an addition error has been discovered, and the awards have not been given out, then the paperwork will be corrected and the proper awards will be given. If the awards have been given out and the competitors have left the ring, then competitors will be called to the award table and given their proper awards. Only higher places will be re-awarded.

Improper Penalty – If an improper penalty has been assessed against a competitor, the deduction will be added back into the total and the proper award will be given.

Scoring

Scoring should start from the top and deductions taken for mistakes. All scores count towards the final total unless there are 5 judges. With 5 judges the high & low scores are dropped. In the event of a tie you add back the low. If a tie still exists the high score is added back. Performing again breaks all other ties.

Warnings and Penalties/Forms

The following rule infractions result in a 1-point deductions from the total score. Multiple infractions still result in only a 1-point deduction. The scorekeepers will do all deductions. re-starts (only 1 allowed)

Non-traditional moves

Starting over

In case of a tie you may repeat your form or perform a new one.