

# THE 10TH WORLD KENDO CHAMPIONSHIPS KYOTO 1997

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## PROGRAM AND REGULATIONS OF THE 10TH WORLD KENDO CHAMPIONSHIPS 1997

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1. **Promoter:** International Kendo Federation  
**Host Organization:** All Japan Kendo Federation  
**Supporter:** Kyoto Kendo Federation

2. **Place :** Kyoto, Japan

### 3. Events & Schedule

Dates : March 27, 1997 (Thursday) through March 30, 1997 (Sunday)

Events :

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>	<u>Evening</u>
March 24 (M):	Referees Arrival		
	Referees Conference/Refereeing Seminar		
March 25 (T):	IKF/EKF Officers Arrival (Free Practice)	EKF Conference	EKF Dinner
March 26 (W):	Delegations Arrival (Registration) Referees Conference/Refereeing Seminar IKF Conference (Free Practice)		IKF Dinner
March 27 (T):	Exhibitions/Demonstrations Managers Meeting	Godō-Geiko Women's International Tournaments (Individual Matches)	
March 28 (F):	Exhibitions/Demonstrations Drawing	Godō-Geiko Women's International Tournaments (Team Matches)	
March 29 (S):	Individual Championships		
March 30 (S):	Team Championships		Sayonara Party
March 31 (M):	Kendo Seminars	Kendo Dan Examination	

Note :

- Godō-Geiko will be held on March 27 and 28 after the end of the day's events.
- IKF Reception is for IKF Officials only.

### 4. Regulation of the Matches

The regulation of the matches will follow "The Regulations of Kendo Shiai and Shinpan (Revised July 24, 1996/Effective March 26, 1997)" of IKF.

**5. Qualifications, Number and Entry of Competitors**

- (1) Competitors and managers expected to participate in the Team Championships or the Individual Championships are required to have the following qualifications ;
  - a. Member of the organization affiliated to IKF.
  - b. Nationality of the country to represent (a passport serves as proof) or approval by the IKF President.
- (2) Each organization must register, at the IKF Headquarters, a maximum of 10 competitors who have the above qualifications by December 10, 1996.
- (3) Competitors for the Team Championships (maximum of 7) and those for the individual Championships (maximum of 5) must be nominated from the registered competitors, and their name lists submitted at the Managers Meeting on March 27, 1997.
- (4) A competitor may participate in both the Team Championships and the Individual Championships.
- (5) Referees are not allowed to participate as competitors in the Championships.
- (6) Competitors, who are registered in the Championships, cannot participate in Women's International Kendo Tournaments.

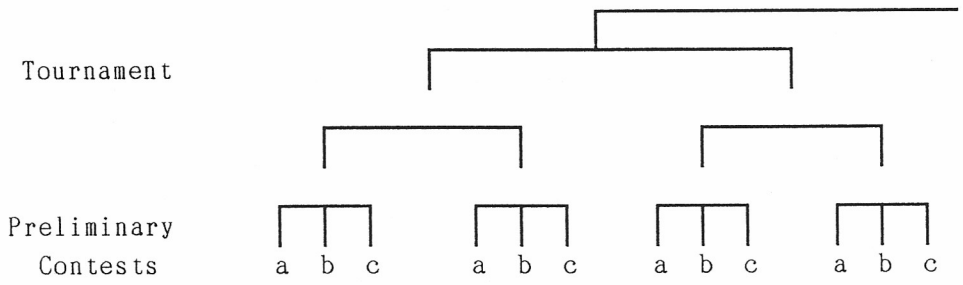
**6. The Individual Championships**

**【Competitors】**

A maximum of 5 competitors registered beforehand from each organization.

**【Method of the Match】**

- a. League matches will be held for each zone, and the winner of each zone will advance to the tournament matches.



- b. The match is conducted according to SAMBON-SHOBU, and its duration is 5 minutes. If no winner is determined within 5 minutes, the match will continue(ENCHO), according to IPPON-SHOBU until a winner is determined.

**【Preliminary Contests】**

- a. League matches will be held for each zone, which will consist of 3 competitors. If the total number of competitors does not come up even, 2 competitors are sufficient to form a zone.
- b. Matching of competitors for zones will be made by drawing. Competitors from the same organization will be placed into different zones, however.
- c. Determination of a winner will be made in the following order of precedence ;
  - ① Higher number of matches won; but, if it breaks even, then
  - ② Higher number of points scored.
  - ③ Should there still be a tie, a play-off will be conducted according to IPPON-SHOBU, until a winner is determined.

**[Awards]**

Awards will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd (2 competitors) place competitors. Awards will also be given to not more than 7 "Fighting Spirit" competitors who will be determined by the Award Selection Committee Members appointed by the IKF President.

**7. The Team Championships**

Two-Division System is applied to the Team Championships.

The First Division consists of a total of 12 teams, namely, Korea, Canada, Republic of China, Finland, France, United States, Great Britain, Japan, Germany, Australia, Spain and Brazil. They are the Best Eights of 9WKC and the 4 additional teams which won the first round at the 9WKC.

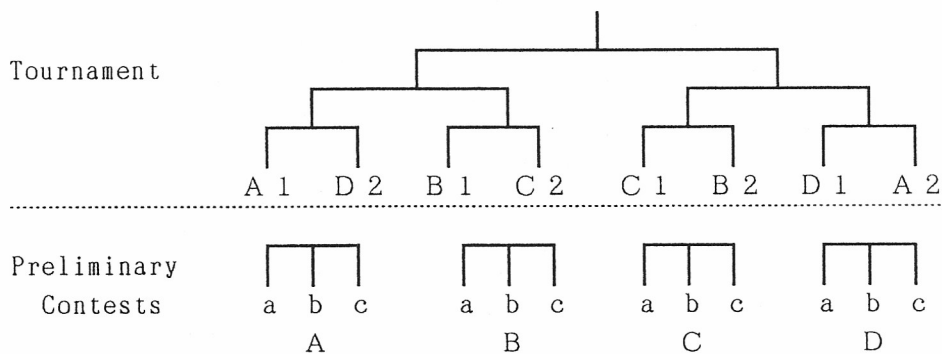
The Second Division consists of the teams that are not in The First Division.

**[Composition of Team Members]**

- a. An organization can send one team.
- b. A team consists of 7 members. Five-Member System is applied to determine the winner of match. Should a team fail to have 5 members, it may compete with 4 or 3 members.
- c. The team members should be selected from the registered members. The team members and the order of members in the team may be changed freely for every match.
- d. An order list of members must be presented to the Presiding Referee by the ending of the immediately preceeding match ; if not presented in time, the last order list is considered unchanged. The order list for the first match, however, must be submitted to the administration office by 6 p.m. on March 29, 1997.

**[Method of the Match]**

- a. League matches will be held for each zone, and the 1st and 2nd place teams of each zone will advance to the tournament matches. The 1st place team will, in principle, compete with the 2nd place team of another zone.



- b. The match is conducted according to SAMBON-SHOBU, and its duration is 5 minutes. If no winner is determined within 5 minutes, a draw will be declared. A play-off is conducted according to SAMBON-SHOBU, and its duration is 5 minutes. If no winner is determined within 5 minutes, the match will continue with an addition of a 3 minute ENCHO until a winner is determined according to IPPON-SHOBU.

### **【Team Classification】**

- a. Determination of the winning team will be made in the following order of precedence ;
  - ① Higher number of individual winners; but, if it breaks even, then
  - ② Higher number of points scored.
  - ③ Should ① and ② turn out to be even, a draw will be declared in the league matches and a play-off will be conducted in the tournament matches.
- b. Determination of the ranking of teams in each zone of the league matches will be made in the following order of precedence ;
  - ① Higher number of matches won. A draw gets 1/2 winning. ; but, if it breaks even, then
  - ② Higher number of individual winners ; should this still break even, then
  - ③ Higher number of points scored.
  - ④ If two teams turn out to be even in all of the above (b.①~③) , a play-off between a representative of each team will determine their positions.

### **【Preliminary Contests】**

#### **(1) The First Division**

- a. League matches will be held for each zone, which will consist of 3 teams.
- b. Matching of teams for zones will be made by drawing; however, the 4 teams that were placed in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the 9WKC will be seeded into different zones.

#### **(2) The Second Division**

- a. League matches will be held for each zone. A total number of zones and a numbers of teams per zone will be determined by IKF Headquarter after the final entry.
- b. Matching of teams for zones will be made by drawing.

### **【Awards】**

- a. The Trophy will be presented to the 1st place team of each division.
- b. Awards will be given to the 2nd and 3rd (2 teams) place teams of the tournament matches of each division.
- c. Awards will also be given to not more than 7 "Fighting Spirit" competitors of each division who will be determined by the Award Selection Committee Members appointed by the IKF President.

## **8. Women's International Kendo Tournaments**

Team Matches and Individual Matches will be conducted.

- (1) One to two teams but not more per affiliate organizations, one team consisting of three competitors, may participate in Team Matches.
- (2) An affiliate organization may enter six but not more competitors for Individual Matches.
- (3) No restrictions are placed on either age or Dan of the competitors.  
One competitor may participate in both Team Matches and Individual Matches.
- (4) Determination of winners in Team Matches will be made in accordance with the rule applied to Team Championships.
- (5) The kinds of Matches and commendation will be decided separately by IKF Hq. depending on the numbers of teams and competitors.

Entries of participants will be made by use of entry forms for Team Matches and Individual Matches respectively by the dates shown below:

Pre-Entry : October 10, 1996

Final-Entry : December 10, 1996

Send three copies of applicant's monochrome (black and white) photograph, each 5mX5m with full name and country name given on back.

Confirmation of entry acceptance will be made to the applicant organizations within December, 1996.

## 9. Officials and Referees

(1) An appointment of officials and referees is entrusted to the IKF Headquarters in accordance with the former Championships.

(2) Composition of Referees:

Referees consist of 1 Referee Director, 4 Presiding Referees, and 24 Referees; a total of 29 referees. (due to 4 match courts)

(3) Selection of Referees

a. Selection

Presidents of IKF affiliate organizations shall send the IKF President a list of recommended referees (not more than 4 per organization) who satisfy the requirements below, using a "Recommendation of WKC Referee Candidate for Registration" form.

In addition, a few candidates will be recommended by the IKF President. A selection will be carried out at the IKF Headquarters by the Referee Selection Committee members appointed by the IKF President.

The candidates need to have all of the following qualifications:

- ① Member of the IKF affiliate organization, and in principle, having the nationality of the country.
- ② Age between 35 and 70 years (as of January 1, 1997).
- ③ Kendo 5-DAN or above, in good health, and engaged in regular Kendo practice.
- ④ Thoroughly familiar with The Regulations of Kendo Match and Its Refereeing of IKF, competent in refereeing as proved by sufficient experience at international or national level.

b. A required number of Japanese referees will be selected and appointed by the IKF President.

c. Appointment of Referees

The IKF President will notify the presidents of organizations of appointees. Presidents of organizations to which the appointees belong are requested to send, in writing, the confirmation of acceptance of appointment to the IKF Headquarters, immediately.

d. A Referee Director and 4 Presiding Referees will be selected and appointed by the IKF President.

## 10. Financial Responsibility

(1) The host organization will bear the expenses of hotel and meals, during the duration of the Championships (Accommodation: from March 27 to 30, Meal: from lunch of March 27 to breakfast of March 31), for the authorized competitors (10 at maximum), one manager of each delegation and the authorized referees of the championships.

- (2) All the other participants, outside the status quoted in (1), must bear their own expenses.
- (3) However, the host country will bear the hotel room charges (the nights of March 26 and March 27) and the meal expense (5 meals; supper of March 26 through breakfast of March 28) of the registered participants in Women's International Kendo Tournaments, but not more than six persons per affiliate organization.
- (4) Likewise, the host country will bear the hotel room charges (the nights of March 24 through March 26) and the meal expense (8 meals; supper of March 24 through breakfast of March 27) of the registered referees to participate in the Refereeing Seminars of March 25 and March 26.

#### 11. Deadlines for Pre-Entry and Final Entry

- (1) Pre-Entry : July 10, 1996
  - a. All the affiliated organizations have to inform the IKF Headquarters whether the organization will participate or not.
  - b. Participating organizations have to inform the IKF Headquarters of an approximate number of participants (Championships and Women's Goodwill Match).
- (2) Final-Entry : December 10, 1996  
Participating organizations have to submit IKF Headquarters a name lists & three photographs (5m x 5m) each of officials, referees, leaders, managers, coaches, and registered competitors.

#### 12. Others

- (1) In order to keep safety, the diameter of the tip of SHINAI as covered by SAKIGAWA shall not be less than 26mm.
- (2) The competitor who does not show up at the court within 5 minutes after the caller called out his or her name is regarded as a disqualified person and shall be dismissed from the match and lose it to the opponent.
- (3) The competitor who is found, as the results of GOGI of the referees in charge of his or her match, to be obviously under the influence of some drugs (alcoholic beverages included) is regarded as a disqualified person and shall be dismissed from the match and lose it to the opponent.

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