

USA Karate Federation Then



The USA Karate Federation developed from the AAU National Karate Committee of the early 1970's. With the passage of the US Sports Act of 1978, the AAU National Karate Committee became a separate non-profit corporation, National AAU Karate Committee, Inc. (NAAUKC) and represented karate for the Amateur Athletic Union. When Karate became recognized by the International Olympic Committee in 1985, the NAAUKC, which at the time was operating as AAU/USA Karate, changed its name to The USA Karate Federation and became the first Karate National Governing Body in the United States and held this position until 1995. As the NGB for karate in the United States, either through the AAU which originally held the international karate membership or as a separate organization, the USAKF provided a forum for many great and

talented karate-ka in the United States to participate as athletes, coaches and referees in one of the largest ever national karate programs in addition to a preponderance of international karate activities and events. USAKF through its first president, George E. Anderson, assisted by National Secretary Patrick M. Hickey and National Treasurer Thomas LaPuppet Carroll, set the precedent both nationally and internationally for many of the ways national and international karate competition, rules and exchange is held today.

USA Karate™ Federation Now



USA Karate Federation has continued to grow and develop as a premier organization in the United States. Within the USA Karate™ Federation you can find Karate, Jujitsu, Taekwondo, and Kobudo programs.

In karate, USA Karate™ Federation maintains membership in the World Union of Karate-do Federations supporting their international activities and providing a source of international homologation of karate rank. As a member of the WUKF, USA Karate Federation continues to send teams of athletes to Pan American and World

Championships. Heavily involved in the USA Karate™ national coaching staff is Ken Ferguson, Peter Paik and Sam Justice. USA Karate™ Federation continues to be a source of referee training through is chief referee David Ames with the assistance of Rich Arter and Joe Raymond, both internationally certified officials.

USA Karate™ also provides a program of national dan recognition throughout the United States and abroad for martial artists who meet its stringent standards. The USA Karate™ Federation recognized a string of National Training Centers who provide the most excellent of karate training in the United States. Only a few karate schools have met the stringent standards to be a USA Karate™ National Training Center.

Additionally, the USA Karate™ Federation can be found supporting other Martial Arts and their activities and is a group member of the USA National Karate-do Federation, the current Olympic Karate member in the United States.

Every year the USA Karate Federation hosts a national championships, often in conjunction with international karate competition, kobudo, judo jujitsu and grappling competition making a well rounded martial event for everyone.

Below is a synopsis of other programs found within the USA Karate Federation today.

USA Sports Jujitsu™ Alliance



In Jujitsu, the USA Karate™ Federation has created the USA Sports Jujitsu Alliance. USA Sports Jujitsu is an organization for the purpose of promoting and developing the sport of jujitsu in the United States and the fielding of regional, national and international teams for competition in Sports Jujitsu. The goal is to be inclusive of all organizations without politics and rankings and be a gathering point to educate and disseminate information. USA Sports Jujitsu™ supports all forms and styles of Jujitsu, Judo and Grappling including Sambo and Pankration. Its Alliances, such as the United States Jujitsu Federation, are welcome to utilize its websites and mailing lists to help promote their events. The broader the reach across the United States, the greater the pool of potential athletes to help field

USA teams to international events. Please feel free to come and join our efforts in accomplishing our dream of being the Premiere Country in the World for the Jujitsu Arts. Internationally, USA Sports Jujitsu™ is a member of the World Council of Ju-Jitsu Organizations, The WCJJO is here to support the development, promotion, and teaching of Ju-Jitsu throughout the world without bias to race, creed, gender, or religion. Finally, USA Sports Jujitsu™ also supports the World Jujitsu Organization through its affiliation with the United States Jujitsu Federation.



Central Taekwondo Association

The Central Taekwondo Association was formed in 1972. The impetus to form the Central Taekwondo Association (CTA) came from the indifference to American cultural values by many (but not all) of the Korean Taekwondo instructors at that time. In addition, attempts to isolate American practitioners from each other, thus discouraging the possibilities of

Americans to collaborate together, sharing their hard gained knowledge was predominant in the 60's and 70's and we still see signs of it today. As both Americans and Martial Artists, we understand that loyalty, honor, and respect for elders and seniors is a basic tenet, but freedom of action and choice is American to the roots of our culture. The American Korean Karate/Taekwondo instructors who formed the CTA still keep the principles of respect and support for the original master instructors but understand that loyalty from free people is the strongest type of loyalty and, most importantly, the subject and leader must share equally in responsibility and obligation. The CTA still works tirelessly for all USA martial arts and Karate and Taekwondo in cooperation with out partner organizations. The CTA membership remains strong and is open to all legitimate and recognized styles of martial arts, and to those that desire to work diligently to upgrade their understanding of the martial arts. In 1999, the CTA came underneath the USA Karate™ Federation banner.

Police Self Defense Institute



The Police Survival and Self Defense Institute (PSDI) was established many years ago under the historic United States Karate Association - USKA. Many Senior Law-Enforcement instructors in the United States and abroad were trained and certified under the PSDI. Personnel from the Anti-Terrorists Units, Secret Service, FBI, CID, Interpol, Air Marshals, Police and Sheriffs departments, State Departments – State and Nations along with many other restricted agencies have trained under the PSDI. Through the years, training and basic operations have continued, but the PSDI really did not pursue any special activities because it had reached its national goal—the formation of governmental Peace Officer Training Councils with sound standard operation defensive tactics procedures. After the 911 tragedy, the PSDI has once again moved to assist security efforts, to provide correct and necessary training for the general public and to commence on and advise various agencies on sound operational techniques.

Today, the PSDI views law enforcement, military, and other public safety organization's tactical defensive education as a positive, necessary, and on-going process of professional development which challenges the personal safety of every professional. PSDI embraces teaching as a service in which the PSDI contributes to the betterment of public health, safety and welfare as a whole. This is a commitment to assist public safety professionals develop and maintain strong, consistent, physical and internal standards, quantifiable, integrated, and related for the well-being of our vital social structures. In doing so, the PSDI has again begun issuing instructor's credentials.

PSDI has also re-developed special training programs specifically designed for needs of law-enforcement and related governments agencies. PSDI is a major force behind the Taiho-Jutsu in the United States providing specific defensive tactics systems providing pertinent and comprehensive law enforcement training that does not conflict with standard departmental regulations. Dan ranking is available to qualified instructors in Taiho-Jutsu.

World Kobudokan Federation



The World Kobudokan Federation was founded for the purpose of the continuation and development of Okinawa traditional weapons training. Over the years, a need has been found for a legitimate ranking and certification for these Okinawa martial arts. The World Kobudokan Federation (WKF) fits this need and provides for comprehensive training and certification in these martial arts.

Martial Fight and Fitness



Martial Fight and Fitness is a program available to martial arts and fitness studios interested in providing a well balanced and thought training program for adults. The concept of MFF is it allows the adult seeking fitness to get same intense training as the fighter, but without having the fight. MFF has shown to be an excellent adjunct to martial arts and fitness centers increasing enrollment and keeping retention. For more details, contact us at info@martialfightandfitness.com.

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