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KARATE CANADA – MEMBER/PARTICIPANT BENEFITS

As a member and participant of the National Sport Organization (NSO) - Karate Canada (KC), either as a Provincial Territorial Sport Organization (PTSO), private club, or individual you are a part of the following recognized groups and benefit from these alliances, their resources, the certification opportunities, the education platforms, the licensing, and the governing bodies for a Safe Sport delivery in Canada.

- Nationally recognized governing body for karate in Canada by **Sport Canada** and **Canadian Heritage**
- **Canadian Olympic Committee** member, adjudicating for education and excellence in Canadian sport from grassroots to podium
- Alignment & participation via our operational practices and governance structure to the International Federation - the **World Karate Federation (WKF)**
- Alignment & participation via our operational practices and governance structure to the Continental Federation - the **Pan American Karate Federation (PKF)**
- Alignment & participation via our operational practices and governance structure to the Commonwealth Federation - the **Commonwealth Karate Federation (CKF)**
- Alignment & participation via our operational practices and governance structure to the North American Karate Federation - the **North American Karate Federation (NAKF)**
- Alignment & participation in the **Canada Games (CG)**
- Alignment & participation in the **Canadian Center for Ethics in Sport (CCES)** (monitoring Anti-Doping, Abuse Free Sport, Competition Manipulation)
- Signatory of the Safe Sport mechanism - **Abuse Free Sport (AFS) & the Canadian Safe Sport Program (CSSP)**
- Participating member (fee based) with access to the **Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC)**
- Participating member (fee based) with educational support and **National Coach Certification Program (NCCP)** guidance for the advancement of grassroots to high performance coaching with the **Coaching Association of Canada (CAC)**.



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- **Athlete Assistance Program (AAP)** is managed by Karate Canada for Canada's top athletes, who meet established criteria and in coordination with Sport Canada
- **Event Sanctioning** (NSO sanctioning and promotion of PTSO run events, KC insurance eligible - if safety minimums and WKF rule criteria are met)
- **Dan Examinations, Dan Certification** (both KC and WKF)

Educational Specifics or Safe Sport practices facilitated by Karate Canada

- Making Headway (Concussion education and protocol)
- Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders (Coaches, Staff)
- Respect in Sport in the Workplace (Board of Directors)
- Respect in Sport Officials
- True Sport Clean (Athletes)
- NCCP Modules
- COC Education Series
- Sterling Backchecks
- Universal Code of Conduct for the Prevention of Maltreatment in Sport (**UCCMS**)

National Championships and other Domestic Events

- PTSO athlete registration management
- Comprehensive event management with Host PTSO collaboration
- Host hotel deliverables for event and PTSOs
- Logistical and transportation support (as required)
- Budget management and grant coordination with PTSO
- Referee support
- Tourney delivery via Sportdata platform
- Volunteer activations

National Team

- Coordination of all National Teams (NT) (Junior, Senior and Para – domestically & internationally)
- Coordination of all National Team athletes
- Coordination of all National Team coaches and staff
- Talent Identification
- Pathway for High Performance (Canada to International levels)
- Coach hiring and coach education
- Targeted event support with National Team coaches



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- National Team Regional Camps
- WKF and PKF event registrations (NT athletes), logistics, general management & support
- Major event coordination and management E.g. Pan Am Games, Canada Games, Virtus Games, Youth Olympics, World Games, Police & Fire Games, other

National Committees

Serve as important support to a multitude of sport and governance functions for karate to operate in a professional manner. These include.

- Governance, Finance, Nominations, Human Resources / Equity Diversity and Inclusion
- High Performance, Para, Referee, NCCP, Long Term Development, Medical, Technical

Through the above partnerships Karate Canada, in turn, recognizes only one PTSO per province/territory. To be recognized, the PTSO agrees to follow all rules and regulations of Karate Canada, helping to safeguard the sport. This includes the registration of all clubs and national fees for participants.

In most cases, PTSOs receive provincial funding because they are recognized by a National Federation, that is recognized by Sport Canada. This model, in some cases, allows PTSOs to better fund PTSO programs, tournaments and local athletes.

A healthy NSO, is one operating with the following.

- proper board governance aligned to the Sport Canada directed, Canadian Sport Governance Code
- Professional staff, contractors and volunteers for operational effectiveness, nationally delivered efficiencies, Sport Canada alignment and responsible fiscal management
- PTSO partnerships with thriving participation of clubs and participants that are collaborative, and aligned to the overall safe structure of the sport
- A High Performance program, that strives to be a program of excellence through best in class coaching, well trained and experienced referees and athletes who are supported to achieve their best domestic and international results