

US Budo Karate National Tournament 2024



Tournament
May 25-26, 2024

[Registration](#) Deadline
April 19, 2024



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Welcome to Phoenix, AZ



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February 18, 2024

Dear Athletes, Family and Friends,

Power Karate LLC is honored to host the 2024 US Budo National Tournament featuring athletes from across the USA.

The US Budo National Tournament is an excellent competition alternative for traditional karateka seeking high-level competitors, experienced judges, and no affiliation requirements. Open to traditional karateka of all ages, ranks, and affiliations, the venue includes both Youth and Adult Tournaments for all ranks and a Judges Seminar hosted by experienced international judges.

We will be using traditional karate rules. We will be following Sensei Nishiyama's ITKF Rule Book (click link): [ITKF Rule Book 2009](#)

Sincerely yours,

Darrell Power
Tournament Executive



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Registration Link: <https://form.jotform.com/240255308784156>

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Location

The tournament will be held at **Victorium** gymnasium in Scottsdale, Arizona. A state-of-the-art facility, parents and friends can watch and cheer from a relaxing mezzanine lounge while enjoying fresh, healthy meals and beverages. The facility is conveniently located off Highway 101

Victorium
9219 E Hidden Spur Trail
Scottsdale, AZ 85255
480-264-7089





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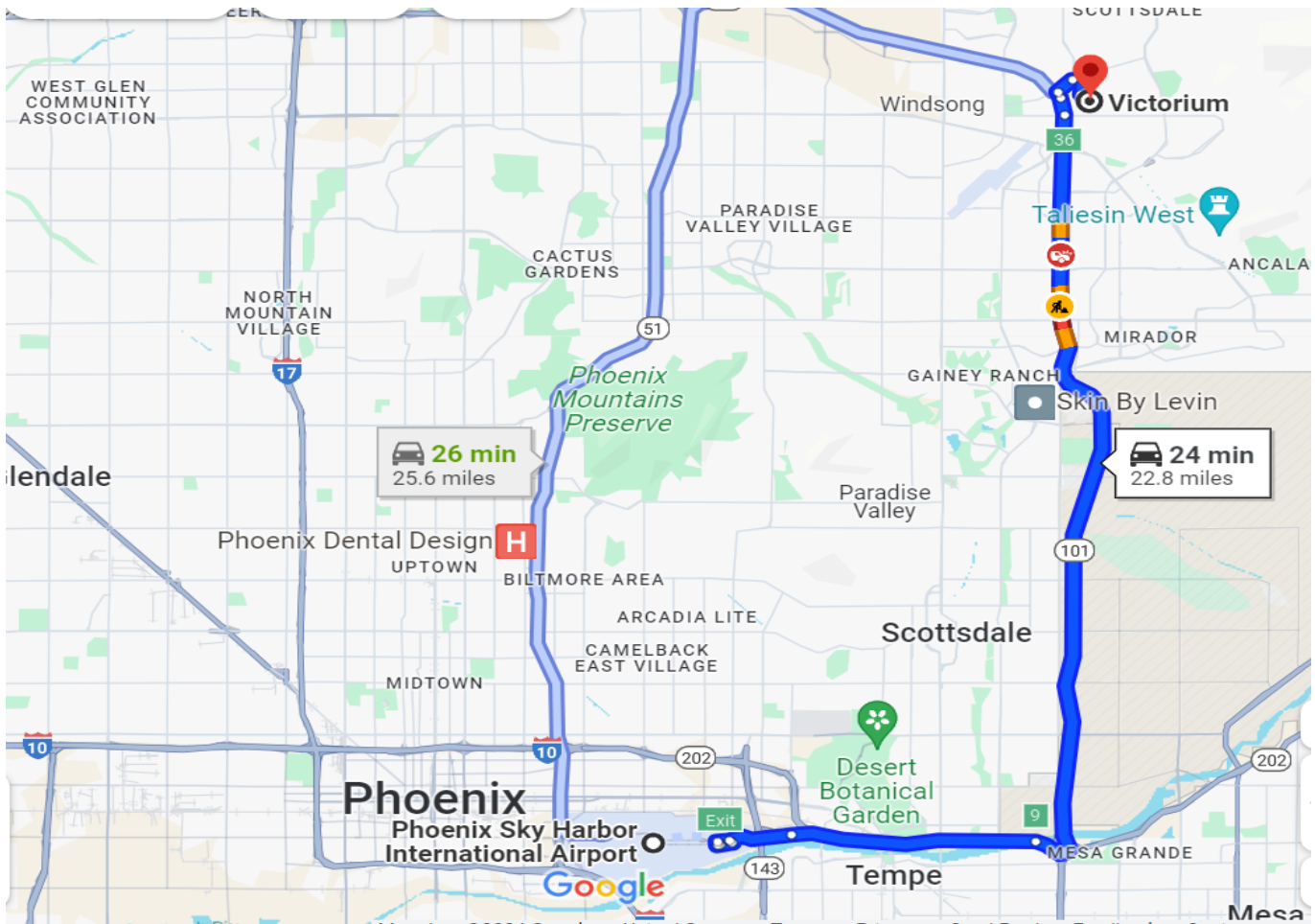
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Travel

The closest conventional airport is PHX – Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (<https://www.skyharbor.com>)

The airport is approximately 20 minutes away from the tournament site (Victorium)

The drive is all interstate highway (202 Loop East to 101 North, exit 36 to North Pima Road)





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Lodging *Priced low to high; all within 20 minutes of the venue*

SpringHill Suites by Marriott Scottsdale North
17020 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

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Courtyard by Marriott Scottsdale North
17010 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/efDistjocEDMQK418>

Hampton Inn & Suites Phoenix/Scottsdale
16620 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/PJVZneFDYzKdYBcG8>

Hilton Garden Inn Scottsdale North/Perimeter Center
8550 E Princess Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/mSyLFhPuB3y6aQ7k6>

Hilton Vacation Club Scottsdale Villa Mirage
7887 E Princess Blvd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

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Hilton Vacation Club Scottsdale Links Resort
16858 N Perimeter Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/M876cb6Td7fMtszV8>

Residence Inn by Marriott Scottsdale North
17011 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/p8wqcFV7B8eR6zp78>

Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains
16770 N Perimeter Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85260

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/dwKJzTQQeYBDftbA>

Sheraton Desert Oasis Villas, Scottsdale
17700 Hayden Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/zfGP8HGnrBjEatx98>

Hilton North Scottsdale at Cavasson
7965 E Cavasson Blvd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/cBbeBcjKUXpm7Pmq7>

Fairmont Scottsdale Princess
7575 E Princess Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85255

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/uqMrqE7L27NHVF5w5>

The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa
6902 E Greenway Pkwy, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/XFGUicrkLjferfHq9>



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Restaurants

Snacks and refreshments will be available to purchase at the tournament site.

There are several food options within 1 mile of the tournament site:

- McDonalds
- The Spot Neighborhood Grill and Bar
- Koi Poke
- Vito's Italian Restaurant
- AJs Fine Food Grocery Store – in addition to being a grocery store, AJs also has a Bistro:

Bistro

Let our talented chefs take you on a culinary adventure, creating unique and flavorful entrées just for you. Made daily, take home a delicious chef-prepared favorite, from prime rib or pork tenderloin to beef Wellington and grilled salmon with mango salsa.

We also offer fresh chef-prepared salads, delectable Signature sandwiches, a daily selection of made-from-scratch soups, or authentic hand-tossed pizza, baked in a wood-fired oven. For lighter fare, our salad bar features an abundance of fresh garden vegetables and greens; as well as a vast selection of many hard-to-find imported olives from Greece, Italy and France.





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Events

The competitive events are:

1. Kata
2. Team Kata
3. Enbu
4. Fukogo
5. Kumite
6. Team Kumite

Participants:

- Participants must actively practice traditional Karate-Do and be able to compete within the categories outlined in this document in accordance with WTKU Competition Rules
- In case of insufficient number of contestants for a particular category (minimum is 8 athletes in category) the corresponding category shall be merged with another category of similar age or grade
- Coaches are responsible for their respective team members
- KUMITE – All athletes competing in Jiu-Kumite must wear a mouth guard and gloves. Athletes have to control distance. Contact is prohibited and will be strictly penalized.

Kata Flag Judging System: Performed in pairs by flag-system judging (two athletes perform kata given by the main judge at the same time). Main judge announces any HEIAN KATA name, but not higher than the lowest rank of athlete on tatami (kyu or Dan). Example: 8th kyu athlete competes with 7th kyu athlete, judge announces Heian Shodan Kata, not higher

Point Scoring Judging System: Athletes perform kata one by one. Order of participants is determined by point scoring. The higher the score, the higher the athlete's placement

Kumite: For kumite, please watch the official WTKU online video with the explanation: KIHON IPPON KUMITE -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPEQzzQbOPc&t=3s>



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General Rules for Team Categories, Groups A-D:

If the highest rank in your Team Kata or Enbu belongs to the higher category, your team will have to compete in the higher category

Group A and B competitors can mix for team events

Group C and D competitors can mix for team events

Group B and C competitors cannot mix for team events

Boys and Girls are allowed to be mixed in all teams, except for Team Kumite

6 kyu and higher ranked competitors can compete in Team Kata

4 kyu and higher ranked competitors can compete in Enbu

General Rules for Team Categories, Cadets-Seniors:

Only one Kata Team and one Enbu Team can qualify from each country for the WTKU 2024 World Championship

To qualify for Team Kata, the team needs to be made up of same sex participants

To qualify for Enbu, the team needs to be made up of male/male or male/female Participants

If the highest rank in your Team Kata or Enbu belongs to the higher category, your team will have to compete in the higher category

Cadets and Juniors can be mixed for team events, but there needs to be at least one Junior in the team in order to qualify as a team for Worlds

Youth and Seniors can be mixed for team events, but there needs to be at least one Senior in the team in order to qualify as a team for Worlds

Juniors and Youth can never mix in team events

National Competition: We will allow gender to be mixed freely, but please keep in mind that only teams according to the above rules can qualify for Worlds.

Example: a Junior Kata Team, with 2 males and 1 female can win first place in the Nationals, but will not be qualified for Worlds. Should that happen, the highest placed team meeting the above regulations will be selected for Worlds



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Individual Kata:

Groups A-B: Elimination, semi-final and final – Heian Kata, Flag Judging System

Groups C-D: Elimination, semi-final and final – Heian Kata for all groups (except groups 3rd kyu-dan), Flag Judging System

Groups C-D (3rd kyu-dan)

- Eliminations – Flag Judging System, Only Heian Kata
- Semi-final and Final – Tokui Kata (favorite kata). The Tokui Kata can be the same, or different, in the semi-final and final. Point Scoring Judging System in the semi-finals and finals

Cadets-Seniors: Point Scoring Judging System

Team Kata: (3 competitors simultaneous performance): Each Team will perform separately. Points Scoring system will be used. No Application (Bunkai) portion

Enbu: 2 Person Team demonstrates offense and defense within competition area, in given time: 60 seconds, +/- 5 seconds. Judges use Point Scoring system to determine the winner

Fukugo: An event that combines Kumite and Kata (using Kitei Kata as the competition kata), and Single Elimination Individual Kumite as the kumite portion. In round One, two competitors compete in kata, the winners then move on to round 2, in which they will compete in kumite, the winners moving on to round 3, in which they will compete in Kata, and so on. Final round is Kumite to determine overall winner

Individual Kumite:

Group A-D (8-7kyu): Kihon Ippon Kumite

Group A-D (6kyu and higher): Jiu Kumite



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Jui Kumite (Free Sparring): The Kumite competition is made up of matches between two competitors free sparring without contact. The match winner is determined when a competitor achieves a scoring technique that meets the Ippon requirement (Todome Waza - Finishing Blow), which combines proper physical execution, correct timing, with effective distance (Ma-ai), in the scoring zone (2 Half Points – Wazari, is equal to 1 Ippon). The winner will be the competitor with the highest number of points, including points achieved and points awarded for penalty. If no points are scored, and no penalty points are given, the match will be determined by judge's decision. Single Elimination, but Repechage system may be substituted if deemed mor appropriate

Kihon-Ippon Kumite: please watch the official WTKU online video with explanation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPEQzzQbOPc&t=3s>

Team Kumite (3 Person): Boys Team Kumite and Girls Team Kumite. Each member of the team will compete in one, 1 and ½ minute round. Each Round is scored the same as individual kumite. The team with the most points after the three rounds is the winner

This event will be open to Cadets/Juniors and Youth/Seniors only



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Groups (Based on Birth Year, not specific Age):

Youth

Group A (2017 and younger)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024
Group B (2015-2016)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024
Group C (2013-2014)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024
Group D (2011-2012)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024

Teen and Adult

Cadets (2009-2010)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024
Juniors (2007-2008)	Compete on Sunday , May 26, 2024
Youth (2004-2006)	Compete on Saturday , May 25, 2024
Seniors (2003 and older)	Compete on Saturday , May 25, 2024

Categories

Group A (2017 and younger)

8 kyu -7 kyu	Individual Kata, Kihon-Ippon Kumite
6 kyu - 4 kyu	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite
3 kyu - 1st dan	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite

Group B (2015-2016)

8 kyu -7 kyu	Individual Kata, Kihon-Ippon Kumite
6 kyu - 4 kyu	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite
3 kyu - 1st dan	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite



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Group C (2013-2014)

8 kyu -7 kyu	Individual Kata, Kihon-Ippon Kumite
6 kyu - 4 kyu	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite
3 kyu - 1st dan	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite

Group D (2011-2012)

8 kyu -7 kyu	Individual Kata, Kihon-Ippon Kumite
6 kyu - 4 kyu	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite
3 kyu - 1st dan	Individual Kata, Team Kata, Jiu-Kumite, Enbu

Cadets A (2009-2010)

3 kyu - dan <i>(eligible for Worlds)</i>	All Events (1-6) (Jiu-Kumite)
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Cadets B (2009-2010)

6 kyu - 4 kyu	Kata, Jiu-Kumite
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Cadets C (2009-2010)

8 kyu -7 kyu	Kata, Jiu-Kumite
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Juniors A (2007-2008)

3 kyu - dan <i>(eligible for Worlds)</i>	All Events (1-6) (Jiu-Kumite)
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Juniors B (2007-2008)

6 kyu - 4 kyu Kata, Jiu-Kumite

Juniors C (2007-2008)

8 kyu -7 kyu Kata, Jiu-Kumite

Youth A (2004-2006)

3 kyu – dan
(eligible for Worlds) All Events (1-6) (Jiu-Kumite)

Seniors A (2003 and older)

3 kyu – dan All Events (1-6) (Jiu-Kumite)

Youth and Seniors B (2006 and older, 18 years+)

8 kyu – 4 kyu All Events (1-6) (Jiu-Kumite)



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Applications and Registration

All registrations are to be done online.

Registration deadline: April 19, 2024

Participation Fee: \$75 fee per athlete (athlete can participate in all respective categories)

Registration Link: <https://form.jotform.com/240255308784156>

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Schedule

Friday, May 24, 2024

5pm – 7pm

Judging Seminar

Sky Crossing Community Center –
Star Room
22211 N 32nd St, Phoenix, AZ 85050

Saturday, May 25, 2024

2pm - 8pm

Adult Competition
18+ years

Victorium
9219 E Hidden Spur Trail,
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Sunday, May 26, 2024

10am – 7pm

Youth Competition
17 years and younger

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9219 E Hidden Spur Trail,
Scottsdale, AZ 85255



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Other Things to Do

If your travel arrangements permit, take advantage of the many things that Phoenix has to offer, many of which are within a short 20 to 30 minute drive:

Old Town Scottsdale - <https://oldtownscottsdaleaz.com/>

Take the family for a leisurely stroll through historic Old Town to get a real taste of Scottsdale. The area is conveniently situated downtown, within an easily walkable neighborhood filled to the brim with award winning restaurants, fine art galleries, souvenir outlets, jewelry shops and unusual stores

Shopping at Scottsdale Fashion Square - 7014 E Camelback Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85251

This luxury shopping center is home to the best names in the business! From Nordstrom and Neiman Marcus to Gucci and Louis Vuitton, this upscale shopping mall is approximately 2 million square feet of opulent retail opportunities. The mall is Arizona's largest and among the top 30 largest malls in the country

Hike around McDowell Sonoran Preserve

McDowell Sonoran Preserve is a large, permanently protected, sustainable desert habitat offering some amazing hikes for the whole family. There is a very generous amount of different hikes, too, at various degrees of competency and fitness level

The Desert Botanical Garden – 1201 N Galvin Parkway, Phoenix, AZ 85008

Created in 1931, Desert Botanical Garden sits inside Papago Park and is home to a wealth of events, displays, and activities. The garden is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday - Wednesday and 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday – Saturday

Kierland Commons – 15205 N Kierland Blvd Suite 150, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Located in Scottsdale, AZ, Kierland Commons is an open-air shopping and dining destination featuring various popular and specialty retail stores, including Chanel Fragrance & Beauty, Vuori, Johnnie-O, FP Movement, ALO Yoga, and TravisMathew, along with chef-driven restaurants like Mastro's Ocean Club, The Greene House, North Italia, Zinc Bistro, Tommy Bahama, Zinc Bistro, and The Mission.



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Other Things to Do *(continued)*

Golfing

One of the greatest draws to Phoenix is the golf courses. There are almost 200 courses in the area, from local municipal ones to prestigious ones like TPC Scottsdale, which hosts the USPGA's Phoenix Open

Phoenix Zoo – 455 N Galvin Pkwy, Phoenix, AZ 85008

With over 3,000 animals encompassing 400 species, the Phoenix Zoo is a family-friendly oasis for animal lovers. Its mission is to conserve spaces that help animals survive and thrive in the wild, so you'll find the residents in carefully reconstructed habitats. For a more immersive experience, explore themed routes such as the Arizona Trail, which emulates the state's distinct flora and fauna, from the saguaro cactus to the mountain lion.

Taliesin West - 12621 N Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd, Scottsdale, AZ 85259

This is Frank Lloyd Wright's world famous home and architectural laboratory. Built in 1937 by the famous architect himself, it is now a National Historic Landmark. Constructed from the actual sand and stone of the surrounding Sonoran desert that sit at the foothills of the McDowell Mountains, it really is a magnificent attraction for those interested in architecture, fans of Frank Lloyd Wright himself, or just as an engaging and relevant experience for the family. You have the choice of taking the 90 minute tour conducted by well trained, knowledgeable guides, or by making your own way through the house. The gift shop is well worth a visit too, with generously stocked artistic gifts for family & friends of all ages.

Casinos:

Casino Arizona at Talking Stick Resort - 9800 Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale, AZ 85250

Casino Arizona - 524 N 92nd St, Scottsdale, AZ 85256



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Athlete Requirements

- Traditional white karate gi – no rolled or cuffed pants or sleeves will be allowed
- Kumite athletes must have a mouth guard
- Kumite athletes must use competition gloves with padding (~4oz)
- Athletes may wear groin protection (men) or chest protection (women)
- No eye glasses or safety glasses permitted during kumite (free sparring)
- No jewelry of any type will be permitted to be worn by athletes (male or female)
- Only soft hair accessories will be permitted
- Fingernails and toenails must be trimmed short
- Hair must not impede the vision of the athlete
- No headgear, footpads, shoes, shin guards, or hard plastic/metal braces may be worn