

International All Martial Arts Federation e.V.



REGULATIONS

General Rules



Introduction:

The regulations of IMAF of February 2017 were revised in October 2019.

Due to the cooperation with the Tiger & Dragon Association, the regulations of IMAF were partly adapted to TDA Int'l and extended by individual categories (such as Grappling and Kumite).

Note:

Each competitor is responsible for his own to read and deal with this rules book.

GENERAL RULES

Start authorization:

Persons less than 18 years of age may only participate if their parent or legal guardian signs on their behalf.

When participating any IMAF event, these rules as well as the changes announced on the tournament will be accepted.

Safety:

Each participant is responsible for his own safety and that of his partner / opponent.

Fingernails and toenails have to be cut short. Jewelry and piercings have to be removed at all events. No zippers or similar things are allowed on clothing.

Medical staff should be available at all times. It has to be easy to identify and contactable in a designated place.

Sportsmanship:

Every participant is expected to be fair and sportsmanlike. Aggressive and uncontrolled behavior is not tolerated and can lead to immediate disqualification without a refund.

Official language:

The official competition language at IMAF tournaments is English.

Category size:

If there are less than 3 participants in one category, they are placed in the next category.

Contest area:

The contest area is covered with competition tatami with a thickness of 2,5 cm. The contest area is at least 6x6 meters.

The weighing:

Each competitor who fights in one of the following divisions must be weighed:

- Pointfighting
- Continuous Fighting
- Full contact
- K1
- Grappling

The weight is determined by the assigned organizational staff and entered in a designated start card.

Referees:

The referees should be recognizable as such. They do wear white shirts and long black pants.

Task of the main referee (Referee):

The main goal of the main referee is the safety of the participants. He is responsible for the supervisor of the category. He directs the fight, controls the pace, enforces the rules and ensures a fair competition.

He starts and stops the fight, he communicates with the judges and gives the scorers and timekeepers clear ratings and signals. He issues warnings and announces the winner at the end of the fight.

Task of judges:

Each judge awards points to his own observation. He must not let others influence him.

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Task of timekeeper:

The timekeeper starts and stops the time at the direction of the main referee. The timekeeper signals to the referee by an audible or visual signal that the time has expired or a formal protest has taken place.

Task of scorer / writer:

The scorer records all points and penalties of the participants as directed by the Referee. He calls the participants to the start and ensures that the points for referee, judges and starters are clearly visible. In point fights, he indicates the points by turning the pages on the appropriate scoreboards or operates the electronic software accordingly.

Task of the supervisor:

The supervisor ensures that everything runs smoothly and is responsible for monitoring all competition areas.

He settles disputes and can exchange the referees and annul their decision.

If there are several competition areas, the supervisor can appoint an Area Supervisor for each area.

The most important referee commands:

fight	to start the competitor's race and clock
	to start again after a stop
stop	to stop the competition
stop – exit	the fight is interrupted due to leaving the competition area
time-out	the fight is interrupted because of a rule break
	the allocation of punishments or with injuries
score	to request the sign of the linesman (points)
break	to stop the fight and take a step back and fight again
warning	
one point	
two points	
three points	
disqualification	