

KUDO INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION

– Rules Relative to Referees –

(PURPOSE)

1. The rules set out in this document aim at establishing basic principles and prevent inappropriate practices regarding the licensing of referees officiating in events of the KUDO International Federation (hereinafter “KIF”).

(ISSUANCE OF REFEREES LICENSES)

2. Class S and A referee’s licenses are issued by the Head Director of KIF. Class B licenses and below are issued by qualified persons such as the respective heads of continental committees.

(CAPACITY TO ISSUE REFEREE’S LICENSES)

3. Country representatives, or their delegates, holding a Class B license or higher, are empowered to issue referees licenses up to two ranks lower than their own. If KIF deems the certification appropriate, it will issue a certificate for that license upon payment of the license registration fee.

Example: A Class D license can only be issued by the holder of a Class B or higher-class license. Holders of Class S license are qualified issue of Class B licenses or lower-class licenses.

2. Persons issuing licenses have an obligation to ensure referees they certify are duly trained on the knowledge required, using the referees training material provided by KIF.

(LOSS OF LICENSE)

4. A referee’s license holder who ceases to be a member of KIF for whatever reason automatically loses their referee’s license.

(LICENSE EXAMINATION)

5. In order to be awarded a referee’s license of Class A or higher, one must pass a practical exam during a World-level (i.e. World Championships or World Cup) or Continental-level tournament.

2. In order to be awarded a referee’s license of Class B, one must pass a practical exam during an international tournament, such as a Continental-level tournament.

(* in some countries, exceptions may be considered

3. In order to be awarded a referee’s license of Class C or D, one must pass a practical exam during a tournament organized in one of the countries affiliated to KIF.

(EXAMINATION CONTENTS)

6. The detail on how the aforementioned examination, for new licenses or upgrade in licenses, can be found in the “Guideline for Referee’s License Issuance”.

(LICENSE ADMINISTRATION)

7. The register of Class S and A license holders shall be maintained by KIF. The register of holders of licenses of Class B and below shall be maintained by the respective Continental Committees or by the National Federations of countries recognized KIF.

(CHANGES TO RULES)

8. The amendment or termination of the rules set therein shall be subject to a vote by the KIF Board of Directors.

(DETAILS)

9. The detailed rules necessary for the implementation of these rules will be determined separately by the Head Director of KIF.

