

KENDO · INDIVIDUAL & TEAM

Belgian Kendo Championships 2026

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ALL BELGIUM KENDO FEDERATION

ABKF

Mons, Belgium

2026

| Welcome

Dear friends, welcome to Mons, and welcome to the Belgian Kendo Championships.

As president of the ABKF, it is my privilege to open today's championships.

Some of you will remember that when I spoke at the Winter Seminar, I said we were opening a new chapter for budo in Belgium. Today is another page in that same chapter, and I think a particularly important one. A championship is where everything we train for meets the floor: our kihon, our reigi, our spirit. Today we find out what stuck, and what still needs work. For most of us, the answer is usually "still needs work."

Before anything else, I want to thank the people who made today possible. To our hosts here in Mons, and to everyone on the organizing team: thank you. A championship does not happen by itself. It takes months of preparation, endless e-mails, last-minute problem-solving, and a small army of volunteers willing to set aside their personal free time. We see the work you have put in, and we are grateful.

To our kakari-in: thank you for keeping this whole machine running. Without you, there is no championship; there are only people in bogu wondering what to do next.

To our shinpan: thank you for the responsibility you carry today. Refereeing is one of the hardest roles in our art. You make difficult decisions in real time, under pressure, in front of everyone. We trust your judgement, and we appreciate the care and integrity you bring to the shiai-jo.

And a special word of thanks to our Technical Committees. They have taken up this task only recently, and yet they have already shaped much of what will happen here today: the rules, the selection of referees, the way the draws are conducted. Stepping into a new role within a federation is never easy, and doing it well is even harder. On behalf of the ABKF: thank you for your commitment and your hard work.

And now, to our competitors. At the Winter Seminar, we spoke about rei, reigi, kihon, and shugyo. In budo we remind ourselves: do not rejoice too much in winning, and do not grieve too much in losing. The person across from you today is not your enemy. They are your partner in making each other better. Bow to them before the match. Bow to them after. Mean it both times.

To our shinpan: judge with fairness and clarity. To our kakari-in: keep the day running smoothly, we could not do this without you. To the organization: we are in your hands, and we thank you.

And finally, to our competitors: show us your best kendo. Show us the budo you trained for.

Let today be a championship of hard shiai, good spirit, and mutual respect. Let us honor the values we share, and let us enjoy the day together.

Nicolas Pauwelyn

President, All Belgium Kendo Federation

| Referees

SHINPAN-CHO

KUROGI Yoshinobu **K7**

SHINPAN

SHIAIJO A		SHIAIJO B	
<i>Shinpan-shunin</i>		<i>Shinpan-shunin</i>	
Naoko Hamada	K7	Chris Maes	K7
Stefan Van Boven	R7	Peter D'hont	K7
Xavier Pousseur	R6	Rachel Buysse	6
Lisa Van Laecken	6	Yo Kitashima	6
Dirk D'hont	6	Pierre-Henri Van de Velde	5
Peter van Den Hove	5	Kyeong-Seon Cha	5

Schedule

The day is divided into preparation, competition, ceremonies, and examinations. Please arrive in time for your category's call.

08:00 - 08:30	For organizers, shinpan and kakari-in: installation of the hall, shiai-jo setup, shinpan meeting.
08:30 - 09:15	Opening of the hall, warming up & shinai-check.
09:15 - 09:30	Opening ceremony.
09:45 - 12:00	Start of the competition (pools & knockout Junior, pools & knockout Women, pools Men).
12:00 - 13:00	Break for lunch (lunch free for shinpan and kakari-in).
13:00 - 17:00	Start of the competition (pools & knockout Men, finals Junior / Women / Men).
17:00 - 17:30	Closing ceremony.
17:45 - 18:30	Examinations for ikkyu to godan.
18:30	End of keiko, closing of the hall.

Note This schedule is subject to change on the day of the event.

| Competition

See the pool and knockout grids on the following pages, organised by category. Grids are also posted at each shiai-jo and at the main administration table.

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES

J Juniors

Ages 14 – 17 (inclusive, on the day of competition)

W Women

Minimum 18 years old on the day of competition

M Men

Minimum 18 years old on the day of competition

Grids follow on the next pages.

Juniors

Pool 1 — Shiaijo A

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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Goto-Fuksiewicz Kaede	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
2	Debruyne Thijmen	Ko Jika	1
3	Gabalda-Delepiere Harold	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Goto-Fuksiewicz K.						Debruyne T.
2	Goto-Fuksiewicz K.						Gabalda-Delepiere H.
3	Debruyne T.						Gabalda-Delepiere H.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Goto-Fuksiewicz K.			x			
2. Debruyne T.		x				
3. Gabalda-Delepiere H.	x					

1st → 1.1 2nd → 1.2

Juniors

Pool 2 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	De Borggraef-Quaife Sebastian	Wakakoma Kenshikai	1
2	De Smet Kotaro	Wakakoma Kenshikai	1
3	De Berlangier Kai	Kenseikan	1
4	Papazaris Iason	Yu-Hi	1

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	De Borggraef-Quaife S.						De Smet K.
2	De Berlangier K.						Papazaris I.
3	De Borggraef-Quaife S.						Papazaris I.
4	De Berlangier K.						De Smet K.
5	De Berlangier K.						De Borggraef-Quaife S.
6	Papazaris I.						De Smet K.

Results

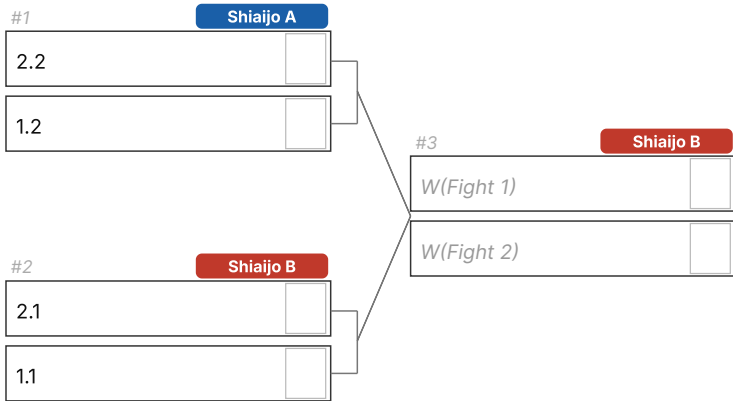
Fighter	1	2	3	4	W	Pts	Rank
1. De Borggraef-Quaife S.				x			
2. De Smet K.			x				
3. De Berlangier K.		x					
4. Papazaris I.	x						

1st → 2.1 2nd → 2.2

Shiaijo A Shiaijo B

Preliminary

Final



Ladies

Pool 1 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Van Laecken Sara	Kenseikan	5
2	Van Raemdonck Lien	Seishinkan	2
3	Cordier Laetitia	Yu-Hi	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Van Laecken S.						Van Raemdonck L.
2	Van Laecken S.						Cordier L.
3	Van Raemdonck L.						Cordier L.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Van Laecken S.			x			
2. Van Raemdonck L.		x				
3. Cordier L.	x					

1st → 1.1 2nd → 1.2

Ladies

Pool 2 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Haeke Sakura	Ko Jika	4
2	Denis Lori	Seishinkan	2
3	Makuch Patricia	Kendo Club Charleroi	1

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Haeke S.						Denis L.
2	Haeke S.						Makuch P.
3	Denis L.						Makuch P.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Haeke S.			x			
2. Denis L.		x				
3. Makuch P.	x					

1st → 2.1 2nd → 2.2

Ladies

Pool 3 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Kim Hannah	Seishinkan	2
2	Kurogi Sae	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
3	D'hont Freija	Ko Jika	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Kim H.						Kurogi S.
2	Kim H.						D'hont F.
3	Kurogi S.						D'hont F.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Kim H.			x			
2. Kurogi S.		x				
3. D'hont F.	x					

1st → 3.1 2nd → 3.2

Ladies

Pool 4 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Panzani Kaori	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
2	Ogasawara Miki	Seishinkan	4
3	Roggeman Muriel	I Shin Den Shin	3

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Panzani K.						Ogasawara M.
2	Panzani K.						Roggeman M.
3	Ogasawara M.						Roggeman M.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Panzani K.			x			
2. Ogasawara M.		x				
3. Roggeman M.	x					

1st → 4.1 2nd → 4.2

Ladies

Pool 5 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Srikanok Rachanita	Seishinkan	1
2	Vujadinovic Jana	Seishinkan	2
3	Teerlinck Miyako	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
4	Wu Qi	Kendo Gent	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Srikanok R.						Vujadinovic J.
2	Teerlinck M.						Wu Q.
3	Srikanok R.						Wu Q.
4	Teerlinck M.						Vujadinovic J.
5	Teerlinck M.						Srikanok R.
6	Wu Q.						Vujadinovic J.

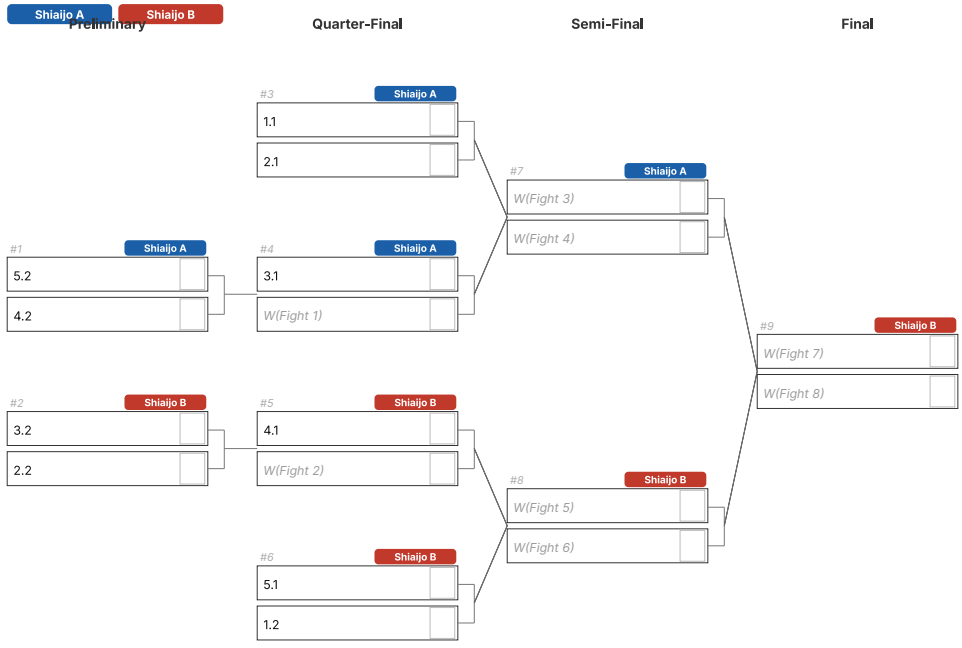
Results

Fighter	1	2	3	4	W	Pts	Rank
1. Srikanok R.				x			
2. Vujadinovic J.			x				
3. Teerlinck M.		x					
4. Wu Q.	x						

1st → 5.1 2nd → 5.2

Ladies — Knockout Bracket

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Men

Pool 1 — Shiaijo A

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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Natalis Laurent	Meibukan Liège	5
2	Morio Kenji	Wakakoma Kenshikai	7
3	Dierick Sander	Kendo Gent	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Natalis L.						Morio K.
2	Natalis L.						Dierick S.
3	Morio K.						Dierick S.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Natalis L.			x			
2. Morio K.		x				
3. Dierick S.	x					

1st → 1.1 2nd → 1.2

Men

Pool 2 — Shiaijo A

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2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Paul Alexandre	Meibukan Liège	1
2	Spaepen Mattia	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
3	Van Ackere Emanuel	Kendo Gent	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Paul A.						Spaepen M.
2	Paul A.						Van Ackere E.
3	Spaepen M.						Van Ackere E.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Paul A.			x			
2. Spaepen M.		x				
3. Van Ackere E.	x					

1st → 2.1 2nd → 2.2

Men

Pool 3 — Shiaijo A

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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Bourge Alexandre	Meibukan Liège	2
2	De Smet Haruki	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
3	Temmerman Loic	Yu-Hi	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Bourge A.						De Smet H.
2	Bourge A.						Temmerman L.
3	De Smet H.						Temmerman L.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Bourge A.			x			
2. De Smet H.		x				
3. Temmerman L.	x					

1st → 3.1 2nd → 3.2

Men

Pool 4 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Baneux Julien	Meibukan Liège	3
2	Panzani Toshiro	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
3	Godfrin Antoine	Yu-Hi	3

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Baneux J.						Panzani T.
2	Baneux J.						Godfrin A.
3	Panzani T.						Godfrin A.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Baneux J.			x			
2. Panzani T.		x				
3. Godfrin A.	x					

1st → 4.1 2nd → 4.2

Men

Pool 5 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Lintzen Sylvain	Meibukan Liège	4
2	Teerlinck Simon	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
3	Vermeiren Stein	Yu-Hi	3

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Lintzen S.						Teerlinck S.
2	Lintzen S.						Vermeiren S.
3	Teerlinck S.						Vermeiren S.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Lintzen S.			x			
2. Teerlinck S.		x				
3. Vermeiren S.	x					

1st → 5.1 2nd → 5.2

Men

Pool 6 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Vergara Théo	Meibukan Liège	2
2	Takagi-Herlin Thomas	Wakakoma Kenshikai	4
3	Chevaux Jeremy	Yu-Hi	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Vergara T.						Takagi-Herlin T.
2	Vergara T.						Chevaux J.
3	Takagi-Herlin T.						Chevaux J.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Vergara T.			x			
2. Takagi-Herlin T.		x				
3. Chevaux J.	x					

1st → 6.1 2nd → 6.2

Men

Pool 7 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Grosfils Makoto	Wakakoma Kenshikai	5
2	Allaerts Robin	Seishinkan	3
3	Spaepen Didier	Yu-Hi	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Grosfils M.						Allaerts R.
2	Grosfils M.						Spaepen D.
3	Allaerts R.						Spaepen D.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Grosfils M.			x			
2. Allaerts R.		x				
3. Spaepen D.	x					

1st → 7.1 2nd → 7.2

Men

Pool 8 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Grailet Jean François	Meibukan Liège	3
2	Jovicic Milos	Seishinkan	2
3	De Spoelberch Ben	Meibukan	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Grailet J.						Jovicic M.
2	Grailet J.						De Spoelberch B.
3	Jovicic M.						De Spoelberch B.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Grailet J.			x			
2. Jovicic M.		x				
3. De Spoelberch B.	x					

1st → 8.1 2nd → 8.2

Men

Pool 9 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Miyazaki Tetsuro	Meibukan Liège	5
2	Heylen Marco	Seishinkan	4
3	Zailachi Rani	Meibukan	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Miyazaki T.						Heylen M.
2	Miyazaki T.						Zailachi R.
3	Heylen M.						Zailachi R.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Miyazaki T.			x			
2. Heylen M.		x				
3. Zailachi R.	x					

1st → 9.1 2nd → 9.2

Men

Pool 10 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Deflandre Florian	Meibukan Liège	2
2	De Clercq Wout	Seishinkan	2
3	Hautier Olivier	Meibukan	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Deflandre F.						De Clercq W.
2	Deflandre F.						Hautier O.
3	De Clercq W.						Hautier O.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Deflandre F.			x			
2. De Clercq W.		x				
3. Hautier O.	x					

1st → 10.1 2nd → 10.2

Men

Pool 11 — Shiaijo A

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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Wauters Tom	Butokukan	5
2	Matsumoto Ken	Seishinkan	5
3	Lesueur Marc	Meibukan	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Wauters T.						Matsumoto K.
2	Wauters T.						Lesueur M.
3	Matsumoto K.						Lesueur M.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Wauters T.			x			
2. Matsumoto K.		x				
3. Lesueur M.	x					

1st → 11.1 2nd → 11.2

Men

Pool 12 — Shiaijo A

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Aldana Manuel	Butokukan	3
2	Hong Yongbum	Kendo Club Charleroi	3
3	Akopian Taron	Ko Jika	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Aldana M.						Hong Y.
2	Aldana M.						Akopian T.
3	Hong Y.						Akopian T.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Aldana M.			x			
2. Hong Y.		x				
3. Akopian T.	x					

1st → 12.1 2nd → 12.2

Men

Pool 13 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Hayes Erik	Butokukan	1
2	Bearzotti Mathias	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
3	De Zommers Philip	Ko Jika	3

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Hayes E.						Bearzotti M.
2	Hayes E.						De Zommers P.
3	Bearzotti M.						De Zommers P.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Hayes E.			x			
2. Bearzotti M.		x				
3. De Zommers P.	x					

1st → 13.1 2nd → 13.2

Men

Pool 14 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Cylny Thomas	Butokukan	5
2	Renneson Fabrice	Kendo Club Charleroi	5
3	Detavernier Adrian	Ko Jika	4

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Cylny T.						Renneson F.
2	Cylny T.						Detavernier A.
3	Renneson F.						Detavernier A.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Cylny T.			x			
2. Renneson F.		x				
3. Detavernier A.	x					

1st → 14.1 2nd → 14.2

Men

Pool 15 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Taurone Giuliano	Butokukan	1
2	Baron Eridan	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
3	Matsumoto Yoshimasa	Kendo Aalst	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Taurone G.						Baron E.
2	Taurone G.						Matsumoto Y.
3	Baron E.						Matsumoto Y.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Taurone G.			x			
2. Baron E.		x				
3. Matsumoto Y.	x					

1st → 15.1 2nd → 15.2

Men

Pool 16 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Emelianoff Valentin	Butokukan	2
2	Didier Jean-Claude	Kendo Club Charleroi	3
3	Borremans Bram	Kendo Aalst	3

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Emelianoff V.						Didier J.
2	Emelianoff V.						Borremans B.
3	Didier J.						Borremans B.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Emelianoff V.			x			
2. Didier J.		x				
3. Borremans B.	x					

1st → 16.1 2nd → 16.2

Men

Pool 17 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Decoster Pieter-Jan	Butokukan	4
2	Gueudre Francois	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
3	Laureys Ilya	Kenhachi	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Decoster P.						Gueudre F.
2	Decoster P.						Laureys I.
3	Gueudre F.						Laureys I.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Decoster P.			x			
2. Gueudre F.		x				
3. Laureys I.	x					

1st → 17.1 2nd → 17.2

Men

Pool 18 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Skrzypek Mateusz	Butokukan	4
2	Lunskens Jean Marie	Kendo Gent	3
3	De Ridder Neal	Kenhachi	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Skrzypek M.						Lunskens J.
2	Skrzypek M.						De Ridder N.
3	Lunskens J.						De Ridder N.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Skrzypek M.			x			
2. Lunskens J.		x				
3. De Ridder N.	x					

1st → 18.1 2nd → 18.2

Men

Pool 19 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Maemoto Kensaku	Wakakoma Kenshikai	6
2	De Backer Jimmy	Kendo Gent	5
3	De Pra Donatien	I Shin Den Shin	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Maemoto K.						De Backer J.
2	Maemoto K.						De Pra D.
3	De Backer J.						De Pra D.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	W	Pts	Rank
1. Maemoto K.			x			
2. De Backer J.		x				
3. De Pra D.	x					

1st → 19.1 2nd → 19.2

Men

Pool 20 — Shiaijo B

BKC 2026
2026-04-26 · Kendo

#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Kohira Hiroyuki	Wakakoma Kenshikai	5
2	Kim Ryan	Seishinkan	2
3	Haeke Wesley	Kendo Gent	7
4	Jacquet Hughes	Sen Ri No Michi	2

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Kohira H.						Kim R.
2	Haeke W.						Jacquet H.
3	Kohira H.						Jacquet H.
4	Haeke W.						Kim R.
5	Haeke W.						Kohira H.
6	Jacquet H.						Kim R.

Results

Fighter	1	2	3	4	W	Pts	Rank
1. Kohira H.				x			
2. Kim R.			x				
3. Haeke W.		x					
4. Jacquet H.	x						

1st → 20.1 2nd → 20.2

Men

Pool 21 — Shiaijo B

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#	Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Boffa-Hamada Takeshi	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
2	Roijackers Matthias	Seishinkan	1
3	Dupon Vincent	Kendo Gent	3
4	Vande Mergel Dries	Kenseikan	5

Matches

M#	Red	pt1	pt2	H	pt2	pt1	White
1	Boffa-Hamada T.						Roijackers M.
2	Dupon V.						Vande Mergel D.
3	Boffa-Hamada T.						Vande Mergel D.
4	Dupon V.						Roijackers M.
5	Dupon V.						Boffa-Hamada T.
6	Vande Mergel D.						Roijackers M.

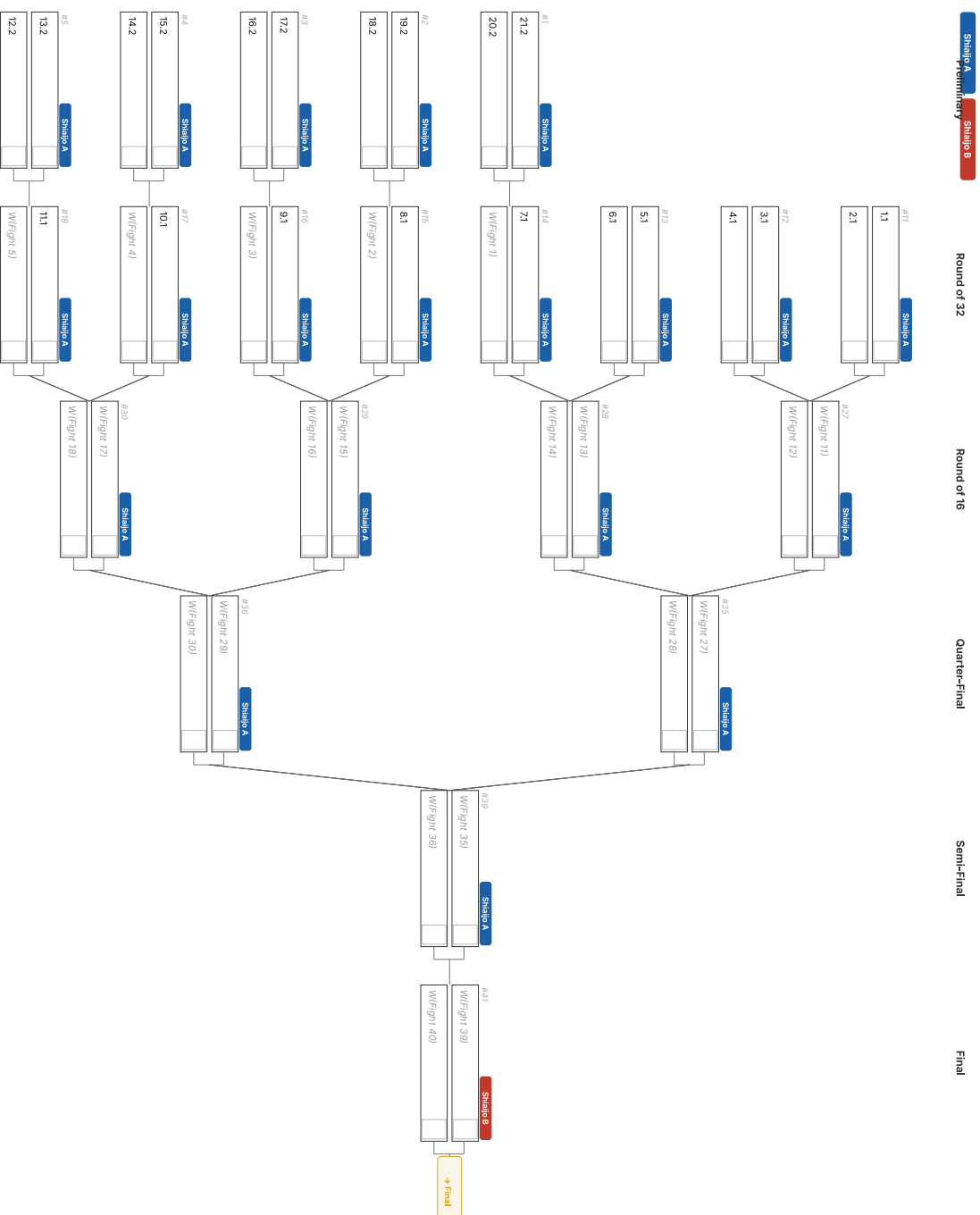
Results

Fighter	1	2	3	4	W	Pts	Rank
1. Boffa-Hamada T.				x			
2. Roijackers M.			x				
3. Dupon V.		x					
4. Vande Mergel D.	x						

1st → 21.1 2nd → 21.2

Men — Knockout Bracket (Left half)

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Men — Knockout Bracket (Right half)



Juniors — Participants

7 registered

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#	Last Name	First Name	Dojo	Grade
1	De Berlanger	Kai	Kenseikan	1
2	De Borggraef-Quaife	Sebastian	Wakakoma Kenshikai	1
3	De Smet	Kotaro	Wakakoma Kenshikai	1
4	Debruyne	Thijmen	Ko Jika	1
5	Gabalda-Delepiere	Harold	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
6	Goto-Fuksiewicz	Kaede	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
7	Papazaris	Iason	Yu-Hi	1

Ladies — Participants

16 registered

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#	Last Name	First Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Cordier	Laetitia	Yu-Hi	2
2	D'hont	Freija	Ko Jika	5
3	Denis	Lori	Seishinkan	2
4	Haeke	Sakura	Ko Jika	4
5	Kim	Hannah	Seishinkan	2
6	Kurogi	Sae	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
7	Makuch	Patricia	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
8	Ogasawara	Miki	Seishinkan	4
9	Panzani	Kaori	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
10	Roggeman	Muriel	I Shin Den Shin	3
11	Srikanok	Rachanita	Seishinkan	1
12	Teerlinck	Miyako	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
13	Van Laecken	Sara	Kenseikan	5
14	Van Raemdonck	Lien	Seishinkan	2
15	Vujadinovic	Jana	Seishinkan	2
16	Wu	Qi	Kendo Gent	2

Men — Participants

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#	Last Name	First Name	Dojo	Grade
1	Akopian	Taron	Ko Jika	4
2	Aldana	Manuel	Butokukan	3
3	Allaerts	Robin	Seishinkan	3
4	Baneux	Julien	Meibukan Liège	3
5	Baron	Eridan	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
6	Bearzotti	Mathias	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
7	Boffa-Hamada	Takeshi	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
8	Borremans	Bram	Kendo Aalst	3
9	Bourge	Alexandre	Meibukan Liège	2
10	Chevaux	Jeremy	Yu-Hi	4
11	Cylny	Thomas	Butokukan	5
12	De Backer	Jimmy	Kendo Gent	5
13	De Clercq	Wout	Seishinkan	2
14	De Pra	Donatien	I Shin Den Shin	2
15	De Ridder	Neal	Kenhachi	2
16	De Smet	Haruki	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
17	De Spoelberch	Ben	Meibukan	5
18	De Zommers	Philip	Ko Jika	3
19	Decoster	Pieter-Jan	Butokukan	4
20	Deflandre	Florian	Meibukan Liège	2
21	Detavernier	Adrian	Ko Jika	4
22	Didier	Jean-Claude	Kendo Club Charleroi	3
23	Dierick	Sander	Kendo Gent	2
24	Dupon	Vincent	Kendo Gent	3
25	Emelianoff	Valentin	Butokukan	2
26	Godfrin	Antoine	Yu-Hi	3
27	Graillet	Jean François	Meibukan Liège	3
28	Grosfils	Makoto	Wakakoma Kenshikai	5
29	Gueudre	Francois	Kendo Club Charleroi	1
30	Haeke	Wesley	Kendo Gent	7
31	Hautier	Olivier	Meibukan	5
32	Hayes	Erik	Butokukan	1
33	Heylen	Marco	Seishinkan	4
34	Hong	Yongbum	Kendo Club Charleroi	3
35	Jacquet	Hughes	Sen Ri No Michi	2
36	Jovicic	Milos	Seishinkan	2
37	Kim	Ryan	Seishinkan	2
38	Kohira	Hiroyuki	Wakakoma Kenshikai	5
39	Laureys	Ilya	Kenhachi	5
40	Lesueur	Marc	Meibukan	5

Men — Participants

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#	Last Name	First Name	Dojo	Grade
41	Lintzen	Sylvain	Meibukan Liège	4
42	Lunskens	Jean Marie	Kendo Gent	3
43	Maemoto	Kensaku	Wakakoma Kenshikai	6
44	Matsumoto	Ken	Seishinkan	5
45	Matsumoto	Yoshimasa	Kendo Aalst	2
46	Miyazaki	Tetsuro	Meibukan Liège	5
47	Morio	Kenji	Wakakoma Kenshikai	7
48	Natalis	Laurent	Meibukan Liège	5
49	Panzani	Toshiro	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
50	Paul	Alexandre	Meibukan Liège	1
51	Renneson	Fabrice	Kendo Club Charleroi	5
52	Roijackers	Matthias	Seishinkan	1
53	Skrzypek	Mateusz	Butokukan	4
54	Spaepen	Didier	Yu-Hi	4
55	Spaepen	Mattia	Wakakoma Kenshikai	3
56	Takagi-Herlin	Thomas	Wakakoma Kenshikai	4
57	Taurone	Giuliano	Butokukan	1
58	Teerlinck	Simon	Wakakoma Kenshikai	2
59	Temmerman	Loic	Yu-Hi	4
60	Van Ackere	Emanuel	Kendo Gent	4
61	Vande Mergel	Dries	Kenseikan	5
62	Vergara	Théo	Meibukan Liège	2
63	Vermeiren	Stein	Yu-Hi	3
64	Wauters	Tom	Butokukan	5
65	Zailachi	Rani	Meibukan	2

Belgian Kendo Championships

Competition Rules & Regulations

ALL BELGIUM KENDO FEDERATION

ABKF

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| 1. General

The Belgian Kendo Championships (BKC) are organised by the All Belgium Kendo Federation (ABKF) in cooperation with the two regional federations: Vlaamse Kendo, Iaido en Jodo Federatie (VKIJF) and Belgische Kendo Renmei (BKR).

The competition rules are based on the **Regulations of Kendo Shiai and Shinpan** published by the International Kendo Federation (FIK) in the most recent version [1], and are applied in accordance with the **FIK Handbook for Kendo Shiai and Shinpan Management** [2]. Any exceptions or additions specific to the BKC are specified in these rules. Where these rules are silent, [1] and [2] apply directly.

At least two shiai-jo will be set up. A minimum of eleven referees are required: one Shinpan-cho, two Shinpan-shunin and eight Shinpan.

| 2. Eligibility & Registration

2.1 Membership

All participants must be correctly registered members of VKIJF or BKR. Both regional federations will verify the list of participants before the final drawing. Participants selected for the final drawing are considered confirmed members and cannot be removed from the grids afterwards.

2.2 Registration

Participation requests for individual matches must be submitted one week before the drawing. The dojo manager is responsible for paying the full subscription fees to the ABKF bank account before this deadline (D – 14). Dojos that have not paid their subscription fees on time will not be considered as participating. No refund of subscription fees is possible without the permission of the ABKF Board; requests must be submitted by letter or e-mail no later than one week after the event.

For the team competition, all candidates must follow the same subscription procedure as for individual matches. All dojo participants who are selected for the final drawing are considered confirmed members and cannot be removed from the grids afterwards. Dojos not following this rule may be excluded from the competition after the final draw.

2.3 Individual Categories

All participants in individual matches must hold at least the rank of 1st Dan and be a member of BKR or VKIJF for at least one full year. They must declare that they are not participating in any other national championship.

The competition is divided into three individual categories:

Code	Category	Age Requirement
J	Juniors	14 to 17 years old (inclusive, at the day of competition)
W	Women	Minimum 18 years old at the day of competition
M	Men	Minimum 18 years old at the day of competition

Note If the Women category has fewer than 6 participants, they may be integrated into the Men category (B).

2.4 Team Competition

Each dojo may enter a maximum of two teams, composed of either male or female registered BKR or VKIJF members who are not participating in any other national (foreign) tournament. All team members must be a minimum of 18 years of age on the day of the tournament.

| 3. Drawing

The drawing for all categories will be conducted at the ABKF headquarters or at any place chosen by the ABKF Board, in cooperation with the BKR and VKIJF Technical Committees (Kendo).

Fighters of the same dojo will be separated into different pools wherever possible. The four competitors who received medals at the previous respective Championships will be seeded into different pools and moved to the corners of the elimination bracket.

| 4. Individual Championships

4.1 Equipment

All competitors must wear correctly fitting bogu with their family name written in romanji on the zekken, and must bring their own shiai-mejirushi (red and white ribbon). These must be worn correctly throughout the entire competition.

4.2 Pool Stage

All categories will use a pool (round-robin) system with pools of 3, 4 or 5 players. Two players will advance from each pool to the final knockout grid.

The match duration during pools is **3 minutes** for all categories. No encho will be declared during pool matches.

If the result at the end of a pool is such that first and/or second place is not clearly identified, the concerned players will be requested to play a supplementary match (ippon-shobu with possible encho) to determine their rank within the pool.

Pool ranking is determined first by the number of victories, and if equal, by the number of scored points. The full tiebreaking criteria for pools are listed in Section 4.3.

POOL OF THREE — MATCH ORDER

- 1 vs 2, 1 vs 3, 2 vs 3

POOL OF FOUR — MATCH ORDER

- 1 vs 2, 3 vs 4, 1 vs 4, 3 vs 2, 3 vs 1, 4 vs 2

4.3 Pool Tiebreaking

If fighters are tied after pool matches, the following criteria are applied in strict order of precedence:

#	Tiebreaker Criterion
1	Higher number of fights won
2	Lower number of fights lost
3	Higher number of hikiwake (draws)
4	Higher number of points scored
5	Lower number of points lost

If two fighters remain tied after all five criteria, one supplementary match (ippon-shobu) will be held immediately after the pool fights. In pools of four players, supplementary fights will not be held to determine positions three and four if first and second positions are already clear.

If all fighters in a pool of three or four are tied, they will replay the entire pool following the ippon-shobu principle. If the order remains unclear after two such rounds, the result will be determined by lot (chusen).

4.4 Knockout Stage

After the pool stage, the top qualifier(s) from each pool advance to the knockout (elimination) grid. The fights follow the knockout system.

MATCH DURATION — KNOCKOUT STAGE

- All rounds except semi-finals and finals: 3 minutes
- Semi-finals and finals: 5 minutes

Encho is played in rounds of 5 minutes. If no ippon is scored within a round, the Shushin calls Yame, returns both competitors to the center, and restarts with Hajime. This repeats until the first ippon is scored.

4.5 Awards

After each championship, the first-placed competitor will be awarded the official **Belgian Champion** title. There will be one second place and two equal third places. A Fighting Spirit trophy may also be awarded at the discretion of the ABKF.

| 5. Team Championship

5.1 Team Composition

A team is composed of five fighters (Senpo, Jiho, Chuken, Fukusho, Taisho). A team that is not complete may still compete under the following conditions:

- 4 competitors: the Fukusho position remains vacant.
- 3 competitors: the Fukusho and Jiho positions remain vacant.

Each dojo may enter a maximum of two teams.

5.2 Fighter Order & Substitutions

The names and order of fighters for the first round must be handed in at the managers' meeting. For all subsequent rounds, the names and order must be submitted at the administration table of the shiaijo immediately after the end of the respective team's previous fight.

5.3 Equipment

All competitors must wear correctly fitting bogu with their family name written in romanji on the zekken, and must bring their own shiai-mejirushi (red and white ribbon). These must be worn correctly throughout the entire competition.

5.4 Pool Stage

All teams that entered their official inscriptions on time will be divided by drawing into pools. Pools of three are preferred wherever possible. If the number of teams requires it, pools of four or five may also be used.

The first two teams from each pool advance to the tournament grid. The 1st placed team of one pool will compete against the 2nd placed team of another pool.

Combats are played by sanbon-shobu. The match duration is **3 minutes** for all pool matches. Hikiwake (equality) will be declared if no points are scored or if the score is one-to-one at the end of time.

5.5 Team Match Winner Determination

The winner of a team match (in both pool and knockout stages) is determined in the following order of precedence:

#	Criterion — Individual Match Winner
1	Highest number of individual winners
2	Highest number of points scored (if tied on individual winners)
3	In pool matches: draw declared. In knockout matches: a play-off is conducted.
4	A default (forfeit) is regarded as a loss; the opponent is awarded 2 points.

5.6 Pool Standings — Team Ranking

Determination of the ranking of teams within pool matches will be made in the following order of precedence:

#	Tiebreaker Criterion — Team Pool Ranking
1	Higher number of team matches won

#	Tiebreaker Criterion — Team Pool Ranking
2	Lower number of team matches lost
3	Higher number of draws in team matches
4	Higher number of individual winners (across all team matches)
5	Lower number of individual losses
6	Higher number of individual draws (hikiwake)
7	Higher number of points scored
8	Lower number of points lost

If the situation is still a tie between two teams (to determine 1st vs 2nd, or 2nd vs 3rd place in the pool), a play-off (ippon-shobu) between representatives of the two teams will determine the ranking.

If all three teams in a pool are tied, the ranking will be determined by a mini round-robin played by one representative per team (ippon-shobu, 3 minutes), following the same principles as the individual pool system.

5.7 Knockout Stage

The knockout stage uses a single-elimination system. The refereeing rules and the principles for determining winners are the same as those defined for the pool stage.

MATCH DURATION — KNOCKOUT STAGE

- All rounds except semi-finals and finals: 3 minutes
- Semi-finals and finals: 5 minutes

If the winner of a knockout match is still not determined after full time, a supplementary match is organised. The decision will be made by ippon-shobu, with encho applied according to the standard encho rule.

| 6. Refereeing

6.1 Appointments

Referee candidates are nominated by each dojo using the official form. The Shinpan-cho is appointed by the ABKF Board. Selected referees will be informed by ABKF prior to the tournament. The Shinpan-cho will indicate the Shinpan-shunin at that time as well.

The Shinpan-cho will be informed about the global organisation at least one week before the event.

6.2 Minimum Grades

Role	Minimum Grade
Shinpan-cho	Highest available rank (appointed by ABKF President)
Shinpan-shunin (one per shiai-jo)	Minimum 6th Dan
All other referees	Minimum 5th Dan

6.3 Seminar Requirement

The presence of all candidate referees at the annual referee seminar organised by ABKF (BKR – VKIJF) is mandatory.

6.4 Dress & Equipment

Referees will wear formal dress as described in the FIK rules and must possess their own referee flags.

6.5 Incompatibilities

A referee may also participate as a competitor. However, a referee may not officiate in any category in which he or she is still actively competing. Once a referee has been eliminated from a category, he or she is eligible to referee in that category. The function of referee is incompatible with the role of coach or team manager during the same competition.

7. Shinai Specifications

Shinai used in the competition must conform to the specifications set out in the **Regulations of Kendo Shiai and Shinpan** published by FIK (most recent version, as amended 2024). The tables below summarise the requirements.

7.1 Single Shinai (Itto)

Specification	Gender	Sub-type	Junior	Senior
Length	Male / Female	—	≤ 117 cm	≤ 120 cm
Weight	Male	—	≥ 480 g	≥ 510 g
	Female	—	≥ 420 g	≥ 440 g
Diameter (min.)	Male	Sakigawa	> 26 mm	> 26 mm
		Chikutou	> 21 mm	> 21 mm
	Female	Sakigawa	> 25 mm	> 25 mm
		Chikutou	> 20 mm	> 20 mm

7.2 Two Shinai (Nito)

Specification	Gender	Daito (long shinai)	Shoto (short shinai)
Max. Length	Male / Female	≤ 114 cm	≤ 62 cm
Weight (min.)	Male	≥ 440 g	280 – 300 g (min/max)
	Female	≥ 400 g	250 – 280 g (min/max)
Min. Diameter — Sakigawa	Male	> 25 mm	> 24 mm
	Female	> 24 mm	> 24 mm
Min. Diameter — Chikutou	Male	> 20 mm	> 19 mm
	Female	> 19 mm	> 19 mm

Note For all minimum diameter specifications, the operator is strictly “bigger than” (>), not “greater than or equal to” (≥).

| 8. Conduct & Complaints

8.1 Code of Conduct

All participants are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the spirit of Budo: respect for opponents, referees, and officials at all times. The team manager is responsible for the correct attitude of every competitor, including the correct way of wearing their bogu, the condition of equipment, and compliance with all rules and timings.

8.2 Complaints

Any complaints must be brought to the respective Shunin during a match, or to the Shinpan-cho outside of a match. Complaints may only be raised by the Team Manager (unless they are a competitor in the current match), a Coach, or the Delegation Leader. Any complaint must be filed immediately and no later than the end of the affected competition.

8.3 Doping

All participants are expected to be aware of and comply with the applicable anti-doping regulations. A competitor who is judged by the referees to be under the influence of prohibited substances or alcohol will be disqualified and will lose the match.

| 9. Insurance & Liability

Every dojo or delegation shall ensure that all its officials, members and participants are insured against any possible mishaps (sickness, injury, loss, theft, liability for damage) during travel and during the event. Delegations are responsible for the proper conduct of their members throughout the event.

| 10. Privacy & Data

By registering, all participants and officials agree that their names, gender, category, results and photos as filed or taken during the event may be stored, processed and published on the ABKF website or in print media, and that there may be videos taken during the event and published in connection with it. All personal data will be handled in accordance with the ABKF Privacy Policy and applicable GDPR regulations.

| 11. Amendments & Interpretation

These rules are subject to revision. The most recent version published by ABKF takes precedence over all previous versions.

Any situation not covered by these rules will be resolved by the ABKF Technical Committee in cooperation with the BKR and VKIJF Technical Committees, whose joint decision is final.

All participants are supposed to have correct knowledge of the regional regulations concerning doping and any other specific rules in force at the time of the event.

| 12. References & Governing Documents

The BKC rules are based on and must be read in conjunction with the following official FIK documents. In case of any conflict between these rules and the FIK documents, the FIK documents take precedence unless otherwise stated.

[1] REGULATIONS OF KENDO SHIAI AND SHINPAN — FIK, REVISED JULY 2023

The primary rulebook of the International Kendo Federation governing all aspects of kendo shiai and shinpan, including valid targets (yuko-datotsu), prohibited acts, penalties, and referee procedures. All match rules applied at the BKC derive from this document unless explicitly superseded by these BKC rules.

https://www.kendo-fik.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Regulations-of-Kendo-Shiai-and-Shinpan-EN_Jul2023.pdf

[2] FIK HANDBOOK FOR KENDO SHIAI AND SHINPAN MANAGEMENT — FIK, JULY 2025

The official FIK operational handbook providing detailed guidance on shinpan duties, yuko-datotsu interpretation, zanshin, hansoku recognition, tsubazeriai, and shinpan-in positioning. Referees and officials at the BKC are expected to be familiar with this handbook.

<http://www.kendo-fik.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/IK-Handbook-for-Kendo-Shiai-and-Shinpan-Management-20250707.pdf>