



## Ashihara kaikan klub TSURU

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Dear Ashihara friends,

I'm pleased to officially invite you to **the 8<sup>th</sup> New Year's Tsuru Cup for youth categories**. Estimated in 2018 for the third time in a row, we are happy to invite our friends from other countries to take part in this competition.

The competition will be organised exclusively for sportsmen of younger categories (under 18), as well as for the younger seniors (from 18 to 21) registered in Ashihara NIKO organization.

The competition will be held on **the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2025**.

You can register for the following disciplines:

- Kata individual
- Kumite

### Age categories for KATA:

YOUTH	18-21 years
JUNIORS	14-17 years
CADETS I	12-13 years
CADETS II (NADE)	10-11 years
CHILD I (PIONIRI)	8-9 years
CHILD II (POLETARCI)	7 years and under

### Age categories for KUMITE:

YOUTH	18-21 years
JUNIORS I	16-17 years
JUNIORS II	14-15 years
CADETS I	12-13 years
CADETS II (NADE)	10-11 years
CHILDREN I (PIONIRI)	8-9 years
CHILDREN II (POLETARCI)	7 years and under

- In order to make this competition more suitable for all the contestants, Weight categories will be determined based on the number of registered competitors.
- Trainers are obligated to send accurate information about the weight and age category of their competitors with a video clearly documenting the weight of each competitor (with his/hers name)
- Since, the categories and schedules will be made ahead and distributed to the coaches, we politely ask you to check the accuracy of the information that we send you. Therefore, subsequent complaints, will not be valued.
- For youth, junior and cadet categories we will follow the NIKO rules about weight. If there are no fighters in some category, we will join the category with the one above, making the category to



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the minimum of 4 competitors, while also trying to be as close to the NIKO rules as possible. Child categories will be made after the registration, according to their weights, also following the NIKO rules, as possible.

- If the coach happens to send wrong information about the age category of his competitor, that competitor will be disqualified.
- If the coach happens to send wrong information about the weight category of the competitor or if the registered weight does not match with the official weighting on the day of the competition, that competitor will be disqualified. The only deviation that will be tolerated is +1kg from the category.
- Coaches are obligated to send a video clearly documenting the weight of each competitor (with his/her name)

## KATA regulations:

Including the age categories, stated at the beginning, categories will be made based on the grades of the competitor, by the following:

### → 10-9 KYU (white belts)

*Kumite no kata sono ichi* – for semi-finals and finals  
(WITHOUT BUNKAI)

### → 8-5 KYU (blue and yellow belts)

*Shoshin no kata sono ni* – for semi-finals  
*Kumite no kata sono ni* – for finals  
(BUNKAI)

### → 4+ KYU (green belts, brown belts and black belts)

#### → Under 12 years (Cadets II, Child I and Child II)

*Kumite no kata sono san* – for semi-finals  
*Kumite no kata sono yon* – for finals  
(BUNKAI)

#### → 12 years and older (Cadets I, Juniors and Youth)

*Nage no kata sono yon* – for semi-finals  
*Kumite no kata sono go* – for finals  
(BUNKAI)

Two competing competitors perform the kata together on the count.

Competitors perform BUNKAI individually on HAJIME (without counting).



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## KUMITE regulations:

On the competition, the latest NIKO “Ashihara Kaikan” rules, will be applied.

Duration of the fight, by each category:

Category	Gender	Elimination rounds (minutes)	Semi-finals and finals (minutes)
POLETARCI CHILD 2	Male	1:30 → 1 → final decision	1:30 → 1 → 1 → final decision
	Female	1:30 → 1 → final decision	1:30 → 1 → 1 → final decision
PIONIRI CHILD 1	Male	1:30 → 1 → final decision	1:30 → 1 → 1 → final decision
	Female	1:30 → 1 → final decision	1:30 → 1 → 1 → final decision
NADE CADETS 2	Male	2 → 1 → final decision	2 → 1 → 1 → final decision
	Female	2 → 1 → final decision	2 → 1 → 1 → final decision
CADETS I	Male	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 1 → final decision
	Female	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 1 → final decision
JUNIORS II	Male	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 2 → final decision
	Female	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 2 → final decision
JUNIORS I	Male	3 → 2 → final decision	3 → 2 → 2 → final decision
	Female	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 2 → final decision
YOUTH U21	Male	3 → 2 → final decision	3 → 2 → 2 → final decision
	Female	2 → 2 → final decision	2 → 2 → 2 → final decision

### Protective gear:

Every club must provide protective gear for his competitors.

#### → For all categories under 12 years (Child I and II, Cadets II)

- Chest protector (over the GI)
- Helmet (with face protection)
- Gloves
- Inguinal protector (must be under the gear)
- Shin protectors
- Brest protectors for girls

#### → Cadets II:

- Helmet (with face protection)
- Gloves
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- Shin protectors
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### → Juniors (I and II)

- Helmet (with face protection)
- Gloves
- Inguinal protector (must be under the gear)
- Shin protectors
- Brest protection for girls

### → Youth

- Tooth protector
- Inguinal protector (must be under the gear)
- Shin protectors
- Brest protection for girls

### Conditions for participating athletes:

1. All contestants must be officially registered in NIKO Ashihara organisation.
2. All contestants must participate wearing white karate-gi.
3. It is mandatory for every athlete to wear adequate protective gear for every category stated in the official NIKO rules.
4. Written approval from parents or legal guardians that states their approval regarding the participation at this competition.
5. Medical certificate valid on the day of the competition and health insurance for accidents.
6. Identification document.
7. Paid entry fee

### Entry fee:

We have two types of fees:

- **160€** - includes transfer from the airport; a 2-night stay, with breakfast, in a 2 or 3 bedroom; parking in the hotel, which is a 5-minute walk from sports venue; official t-shirt of the competition (please send the shirt size on your application form) and refreshment during the competition.
- **50€** - includes entry fee and refreshment during the competition

If you want to buy the official t-shirt of the competition, you must preorder it until the 16<sup>th</sup> of November and write the size on the application form. The cost is 20€ per t-shirt.

### Place:

Sports Centre „Mirko Sandić“ – Sjenička 1, Belgrade

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/eZGMU4SdWRM4qD1PA>

### Refreshments:

During the competition, we will provide water and sandwiches for the competitors, with a coupon. Coupons will be given to you on the registration table. And for the coaches and referees there will be an organised lunch.



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#### **Medical support:**

During the competition there will be an on-call medical team in case of sports injuries.

#### **Awards:**

During the break we will organise the award ceremony for the kata competitors and at the end of the competition we will have a closing ceremony, where the kumite competitors will be awarded, along with thank you notes and the goblet for the best club of the competition.

#### **Deadline for applications:**

The deadline for applications is on the **16<sup>th</sup> of November 2025**.

Please send your applications on: [sasa.andjelic@gmail.com](mailto:sasa.andjelic@gmail.com)

For any information needed, please feel free to contact me on the email stated above or the telephone number: **+381 60 06 33 543**

To stay connected, feel free to visit the official site of the competition!

<https://tsuru-cup.asiharakaikan.com/en/>

See you soon,

Best regards!

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