



JKS ENGLAND

DEVELOPMENT SERIES

BRISTOL

Sunday 7th September 2025

Dear JKS members

I'm delighted to invite you to our Southern area Development Series event, this year at Nailsea School, near Bristol!

The series is for all JKS members that aren't on (or haven't previously been on) a JKS national squad. This way, there's plenty of opportunity for our future champions – or those that simply fancy competing for the first time – to shine.

So whether you're a 9th kyu or a dan grade, get involved and experience what it's like to take part!

This year, we've added in new categories – including Pairs Kata and Inclusive Kata – making the 2025 Development Series the biggest we've ever hosted!

We look forward to welcoming you to Bristol on Sunday 7th September!

Matt Price

Head Coach, JKS England Squad



■ DATE & TIMES

Sunday 7th September 2025

Registration opens at 9am and the event starts at 9.30am prompt.

■ VENUE

Nailsea School, Mizzymeard Road, Nailsea, Bristol, BS48 2HN.

■ PARKING

Free parking is available at Nailsea School. For other car parks in the area, please check parking charges. On street car parking nearby is free.

■ ENTRY FEES

Competitors:

Spectators 16 years+:

Spectators 2-15 years:

Spectators under 2 years:

£15 for individual events, £20 for Pairs Kata

£10 per person, payable on the day (cash only)

£5 per person, payable on the day (cash only)

Free



- Proceeds go towards the JKS England squad. Your support is very much appreciated.
- Payment for competitor entries must only be made by bank transfer **by club instructors/coaches**, using your club name as the payment reference:
 Account name: JKS England Squad
 Sort code: 30-96-26
 Account number: 59750260

■ ENTRY DEADLINE

Entry forms must be emailed to **zblackb@aol.com** and full payment must be received for all entries by **5pm, Friday 22nd August**.

■ RULES

- This event is open to all JKS members, except those that have been on a JKS national squad.
- JKS national squad members are not allowed to enter the category that they've been selected onto the squad for. So, for example, JKS national kumite squad members may still enter kata events.
- Only licenced JKS members are able to participate in this championship. Your up-to-date licence should be available for inspection on the day.
- Entries must be submitted by the club instructor/coach of any participating clubs.
- Entries will only be accepted on the entry form provided. There is a no refund policy on paid entries.
- Age and grade divisions are determined by a competitor's date of birth and grade on the day of the tournament. It is the responsibility of the club instructor/coach to ensure that competitors meet these requirements.
- Judges will use the WKF "criteria for decision" as guidelines for bout winners.
- Medals are awarded for 1st place, 2nd place and joint 3rd place in all categories.
- There will be no repechage in any category.
- Categories will be cancelled or merged at the discretion of the organiser if insufficient entries are received.
- No protest is permitted with regard to referee panel decisions. In the event of queries, only the coach may approach the control table or the Referee Panel. Competitors or spectators must speak to their coach for information.

Uniforms and protective equipment

- Competitors must be appropriately dressed. A plain white uniform must be clean and fit properly (no coloured piping on shoulders). A club or association badge may be worn on the left chest.
- Red and blue belts are required for all competitors.
- Gum shields and red and blue hand mitts are compulsory for all kumite competitors, as are groin guards for male kumite competitors.
- Red and blue shin and instep protectors are compulsory for kumite competitors aged 10 and above. These are optional for those aged 5-9 years, but strongly recommended.
- WKF-style head guards and chest protectors are compulsory for under 14s. We have a number available at each tatami for those who don't have them.
- Coaches should be in a club tracksuit or appropriate sporting wear (no jeans or do-gis). Trainers or shoes must cover feet (no flip flops or crocs).



Kickmaster

- During each bout, each competitor will simultaneously attack their respective red or blue kickmaster posts for 15 seconds.
- There are three judges for the event, with the decision determined by the competitor receiving the most flags.
- The competitor who demonstrates the most skilful & vigorous kick and hand techniques with controlled impact will be declared the winner.

Kata

- The panel will consist of 3 or 5 judges, using aka/ao (red/blue) flags.
- Competitors can only enter one individual kata category.
- In all kata categories, both contestants will perform their katas simultaneously in the elimination rounds. In the finals, katas will be performed individually.
- There are different kata requirements for different grades:
 - ◇ **Beginner - 4th kyu:** Heian katas only. One Heian kata may be repeated indefinitely or you may choose to perform a different Heian kata in different rounds if you wish.
 - ◇ **3rd Kyu and above:** Any WKF-sanctioned Shotokan kata (shown in the list below) can be performed in all rounds, including the final. A minimum of two kata can be repeated, but not consecutively. For instance, A-B-A-B or A-B-A-C-B.
- For Pairs Kata, only one kata is required for all ages and grades (A-A-A).

WKF #	Kata name	WKF #	Kata name
6	Bassai Dai	35	Jiin
7	Bassai Sho	36	Jion
10	Chinte	37	Jitte
12	Enpi	40	Kanku Dai
15	Gankaku	41	Kanku Sho
20	Gojushiho Dai	54	Meikyo
21	Gojushiho Sho	60	Nijushiho
23	Hangetsu	91	Sochin
25	Heian Shodan	93	Tekki Shodan
26	Heian Nidan	94	Tekki Nidan
27	Heian Sandan	95	Tekki Sandan
28	Heian Yondan	99	Unsu
29	Heian Godan	101	Wankan

Inclusive Kata

- This category is open to all competitors who are covered by the inclusion classification table at the back of this bulletin.
- Definitions are based on those provided by the World Karate Federation's Para Karate rules and those used by the British Karate Federation. The WKF is a recognised international federation of the International Paralympic Committee.
- All inclusive kata classifications will compete together.
- Rules are the same as for Shotokan kata, except competitors will perform individually



when it's not possible to compete simultaneously.

- Competitors that enter an inclusive kata category are able to enter other kata categories too, should they wish.

Kumite

- Bout length will vary depending on age group:
 - ◇ **9 years and under:** 1 minute
 - ◇ **10-13 years:** 1 minute 30 seconds
 - ◇ **14 years and above:** 2 minutes
- Scoring requirements will vary depending on age group:
 - ◇ **5-13 years:** 6 points clear.
 - ◇ **14 years and above:** 8 points clear.
- Application of techniques varies by age group:
 - ◇ **5-13 years:** No contact to the head, face or neck with any technique. Techniques score up to 10cm from the head or face.
 - ◇ **14-15 years:** No contact to the head, face or neck with hand techniques. Hand techniques score up to 10cm from the head or face. Non-injurious, light controlled 'touch' contact is allowed for kicks.
 - ◇ **16 years and above:** Competitors are allowed non-injurious, light controlled 'touch' contact to the face, head and neck (but not throat).
- Body contact must be controlled for **all age groups**.
- If the scores are equal at the end of the bout, the judging panel will give their decision by senshu, number of ippons, number of waza-aris or hantei. There will be no extension to bouts.

ENQUIRIES

In the event of any queries, please contact Zoe Price:

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CATEGORIES

Kickmaster

Category	Description	Age criteria	Grade
KM01	Boys'/Girls' Kickmaster	Ages 7 and under	Beginner-4th Kyu
KM02	Boys'/Girls' Kickmaster	Ages 8-9	Beginner-4th Kyu
KM03	Boys'/Girls' Kickmaster	Ages 9 and under	3rd Kyu and above

Pairs Kata

Category	Description	Age criteria	Grade
PK01	Pairs Kata (mixed)	9 years and under	All grades
PK02	Pairs Kata (mixed)	10-13 years	All grades
PK03	Pairs Kata (mixed)	14-15 years	All grades
PK04	Pairs Kata (mixed)	16 years and above	All grades



Individual Kata

Category	Description	Age criteria	Grade
KA01	Children's Kata (mixed)	7 years and under	All grades
KA02	Boys' Kata	9 years and under	Beginner-7th Kyu
KA03	Girls' Kata	9 years and under	Beginner-7th Kyu
KA04	Boys' Kata	9 years and under	6th-4th Kyu
KA05	Girls' Kata	9 years and under	6th-4th Kyu
KA06	Boys' Kata	9 years and under	3rd Kyu and above
KA07	Girls' Kata	9 years and under	3rd Kyu and above
KA08	Boys' Kata	10-11 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA09	Girls' Kata	10-11 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA10	Boys' Kata	10-11 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA11	Girls' Kata	10-11 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA12	Boys' Kata	12-13 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA13	Girls' Kata	12-13 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA14	Boys' Kata	12-13 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA15	Girls' Kata	12-13 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA16	Cadet Male Kata	14-15 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA17	Cadet Female Kata	14-15 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA18	Cadet Male Kata	14-15 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA19	Cadet Female Kata	14-15 years	3rd Kyu and above
KA20	Senior Male Kata	16 years and above	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA21	Senior Female Kata	16 years and above	Beginner-4th Kyu
KA22	Senior Male Kata	16 years and above	3rd Kyu and above
KA23	Senior Female Kata	16 years and above	3rd Kyu and above
KA24	Masters Male Kata	35 years and above	All grades
KA25	Masters Female Kata	35 years and above	All grades
KA26	Inclusive Kata (mixed)	15 years and under	All grades
KA27	Inclusive Kata (mixed)	16 years and over	All grades

Individual Kumite

Category	Description	Age criteria	Grade
KU01	Childrens' Kumite	Under 8 years	All grades
KU02	Boys' Kumite	8-9 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU03	Girls' Kumite	8-9 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU04	Boys' Kumite	8-9 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU05	Girls' Kumite	8-9 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU06	Boys' Kumite	10-11 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU07	Girls' Kumite	10-11 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU08	Boys' Kumite	10-11 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU09	Girls' Kumite	10-11 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU10	Under 14s Male Kumite	12-13 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU11	Under 14s Female Kumite	12-13 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU12	Under 14s Male Kumite	12-13 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU13	Under 14s Female Kumite	12-13 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU14	Cadet Male Kumite	14-15 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU15	Cadet Female Kumite	14-15 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU16	Cadet Male Kumite	14-15 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU17	Cadet Female Kumite	14-15 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU18	Junior Male Kumite	16-17 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU19	Junior Female Kumite	16-17 years	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU20	Junior Male Kumite	16-17 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU21	Junior Female Kumite	16-17 years	3rd Kyu and above
KU22	Senior Male Kumite	18 years and above	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU23	Senior Female Kumite	18 years and above	Beginner-4th Kyu
KU24	Senior Male Kumite	18 years and above	3rd Kyu and above
KU25	Senior Female Kumite	18 years and above	3rd Kyu and above
KU26	Masters Male Kumite	35 years and above	All grades
KU27	Masters Female Kumite	35 years and above	All grades

Inclusion classifications

Inclusion class	Description	Performance information
Wheelchair user	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletes that use a wheelchair 	Kata is performed with adjustments
Blind/visual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletes who have no sight in both eyes: Blindness. No light perception. Athletes who have limited vision in both eyes: Visual acuity ranges from 3/60 to light perception in the less-impaired eye. Athletes who have limited vision in both eyes: Visual acuity ranges from 6/18 to 3/60 in the less-impaired eye. 	Kata is performed with a blindfold
Physical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The athlete must have evidence of at least hypertonia grade 1-2 in the ankle or elbow, ataxia, athetosis or dystonic movements. Total or partial absence of bones or joints as a consequence of trauma (for example, traumatic amputation), illness (for example amputation due to bone cancer) or congenital limb deficiency (for example dysmelia). Leg length difference must be at least 7cm. Arthrogyrosis and/or contracture resulting from chronic joint immobilisation or trauma affecting a joint's mobility or function. Spinal cord injury (complete or incomplete, tetra- or paraplegia or paraparesis), muscular dystrophy, spina bifida. 	n/a
Intellectual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletes must have an IQ of 75 or lower on standard tests, having originated before the age of 18. Evidence of significant limitations in adaptive behaviour as expressed in conceptual, social, and practical adaptive skills. Athletes who have an intellectual impairment and Down Syndrome as caused by extra genetic material in chromosome 21'. Athletes who have Autism or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD): A full-scale score of IQ of above 75, and/or no diagnosis of intellectual impairment (evidence of functioning cognitively at average or above average levels). A formal diagnosis of autism, ASD or Asperger's syndrome, carried out by a qualified practitioner using accepted diagnostic techniques. 	n/a



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