

Isshin-ryu School of Karate Annual Benefit Tournament  
KUMITE RULES

**ALL CONTESTANTS MUST WEAR PROTECTIVE**

(A) HANDS & FEET  
(B) HEAD GEAR

(C) GROIN PROTECTION  
(D) MOUTH GUARD

**A. CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING A POINT**

1. A point shall be determined on the control and power used when delivering a controlled punch or kick to an opponent's ... temple, face, chest or abdomen.
2. No attack, however technically effective, after the referee's "yame" (stop) announcement will count in the score.
3. The first to obtain 3 points in children's matches or 3 points in adult matches will win the match.
4. Only the referee shall have the authority to suspend or terminate a match, award a point, warning, disqualification, or victory.
5. 2 judge's signals are needed to stop the match.
6. A point shall be awarded when a majority of the judges agree.
7. Each judge and referee shall have one point.
8. All calls shall be **SIMULTANEOUSLY** made by the ring judges, when called for by the head referee.

**B. PROHIBITED ACTS**

1. Contact to the face no matter how light.
2. Attacks to the groin.
3. Persistent attacks directly on the upper and lower limbs.
4. Attacks on the hips and knee joints.
5. Any discourteous behavior such as calling names and unjustifiable utterances.

**C. DISQUALIFICATION IN COMPETITION**

1. When a contestant commits a prohibited act.
2. When a contestant makes any contact to the face.
3. When excessive contact is made to the limbs, spinal area or body, the offending contestant shall be disqualified immediately.
4. When a contestant is discourteous or does not follow directions, he will be disqualified.