

<u>Umpire</u>

Eligibility.

- Minimum Blackbelt rank
- Age 14 or older
- Preferably hold the Ring Assistant qualification

Duties and Responsibilities

Supporting the referees and fulfilling various ring-related tasks excluding the role of the centre referee. This includes:

- Timekeeping
- Record-keeping
- Scoring patterns
- Serving as a Line Judge for Point-Stop Sparring
- Acting as a Corner Judge for Continuous Sparring
- Fulfilling the role of a Mirror Judge for Point-Stop Sparring

Kindly take note of the following:

- Individuals under the age of 17 are not eligible to serve as mirror judges at competitions until they reach their 17th birthday, with an exception made for junior only competitions.
- Ideally, 1st and 2nd-degree holders should refrain from judging black belt pattern categories. In cases where their participation is necessary, individuals aged 18 and older should be given priority for available space over those aged 14 and older.

Certification Process

- 1. Successfully finish the relevant course.
- 2. Actively engage in specific roles for a total of at least 10 hours across 2 competitions.
- 3. Performance assessment conducted by the centre referee at each competition, followed by a review by the chief referee or a mentoring referee.
- 4. If performance does not meet the required standards, additional hours may be necessary.
- 5. Certificate issued upon meeting the criteria for successful completion.