2023-2024 Rule/Policy Changes Recap

- 1. All references to Team Leader (TL) have been replaced with Ring Manager (RM)
- 2. Wording for mouthguards in both Point and Olympic-style sparring was changed to read "Mouthguards may be any color except red. Athletes with dental braces must wear special mouthguards that cover braces on both upper and lower teeth".
- 3. The protest fee for all areas of competition has been increased to \$100.
- 4. Changes were made to the criteria for upgrading.
- 5. Clinic Administrators should read the section in the Policy Book 'Who is Authorized to Conduct Clinics' and Clinic Administrator Timelines as changes were made to this section.
- 6. Diamond Division has been added for 53 and up competitors along with proper divisions in forms and sparring.
- 7. All events are now qualifying events at local/regional Qualifiers.
- 8. Qualifying for both Nationals and JOs is defined as 'participation' in any qualifying event at a local/regional Qualifier.
- 9. Point Sparring Clarification was made for three point kick to read any valid spinning or turning foot technique to the legal head area.
- 10. Point Sparring Penalties, the work 'intentionally' was removed and now reads 'falling down'.
- 11. Point Sparring The joo-eui penalties are removed.
- 12. Point Sparring Penalties for DQ has been increased to five (5).
- 13. Point Sparring Coaches can no longer appeal when referee forgot to invalidate point(s) after a penalty was given for a prohibited act when using IVR.
- 14. Point Sparring To confer with the Referee, Judges will now call 'Referee'.
- 15. Point Sparring A 10-11 team was added.
- 16. Continuous Point Sparring Rules and Policies have been added for Continuous Point Sparring.
- 17. Weapons Forms Criteria for judging all types of weapons forms has been changed to better reflect the emphasis of the particular competition. Also types of weapons allowed has been illustrated.
- 18. Forms Has been changed to Traditional Forms to distinguish from Sport Poomsae Forms.
- 19. Breaking Power Foot Breaks have been further defined. See section in handbook for details.
- 20. Traditional Forms New criteria was established for team selection. See section in handbook for details.
- 21. Traditional Forms New black belt divisions were added for 6 17 year old ages.
- 22. Olympic-Style Sparring Match times were changed to three (3) 60-second rounds for colored belts.
- 23. Olympic-Style Sparring Terminology was changed to Technical Assistant (TA) for the person, along with the Referee, who is responsible for the match.
- 24. Para Point Sparring Chest protectors are no longer required for Para competitors and face shields are required only for wheelchair competition.