

Alberta Tae Kwon Do Association Regulations on the Administration of Provincial Referees

1. Objective

This regulation is to efficiently administrate the Provincial Referees of the Alberta Tae Kwon Do Association (ATA).

2. Administration

Overall administration of the Provincial Referees shall be made by the ATA Referee Chairman.

3. Qualification

The ATA will grant qualifications as a Provincial Referee of the ATA to those who have passed the prescribed examination at the Provincial Referee seminar conducted by the ATA Referee Chairman and have registered at the ATA Secretariat within the prescribed time limits.

4. Provincial Referee Seminar

The Provincial Referee seminar shall be conducted by the ATA Referee Chairman or designate only.

4.1 Qualification for application

4.1.1 Holder of Kukkiwon (or WTF) certificate of first Dan or higher. However, Black Stripe(1st Gup) or Red Belt (2nd Gup) holders may attend the seminar, subject to his or her instructor's prior approval as long as they are 15 years of age or older.

4.1.2 The one recommended by the Directors of the ATA.

4.1.3 The one who has command of oral and written English language.

4.1.4 The one who has no physical defect and chronic disease.

4.2 General Information

4.2.1 **Attendance fee:** Prescribed fee of attendance shall be paid.

4.2.2 Round trip travel and accommodation charges of room and board shall be borne by the participant.

4.2.3 **Curriculum:** Status of the WTF, Rules & Regulations, Competition Rules, Foundation of Refereeing, Basic Concepts of Tae Kwon Do competition, Referee's hand signals and other Tae Kwon Do theories. Provided however that such subjects as Competition Rules, Foundation of Refereeing, and Referee's hand signals shall be obligatory completed.

4.2.4 Total hours of education: Minimum of 8 hours.

4.2.5 Examination: Written examination and practical test.

4.3 Screening

The ATA Referee Chairman shall conduct a prescribed examination to those have completed the course of the seminar. The written examination and practical test shall be taken on the basis of 100 points and the ones who have obtained not less than 60% for "P" Class, 75% for 3rd Class, and 90% for 2nd Class on the examination shall be regarded as successfully passed.

A separate written examination shall be conducted for ones certifying to 1st Class. A passing mark of 80% shall be regarded as successful .

The ATA Referee Chairman makes it a rule to announce the results of the screening one week after the examination. However, the results may be noticed later as the case may be, to each individual.

5. Registration

The one who have received from the ATA Referee Chairman an official notice of success in the examination shall be registered with the ATA Secretariat for one year. In the case of no registration within the following year, he/she will be considered to have given up their qualification as a Provincial Referee.

5.1 Registration Fee

Registration Fee will be fixed by the ATA and it includes the fees of registration, annual membership for that year, and card.

6. Referee Uniform and Shoes

6.1 The color of uniform shall be white shirt and black pants and that of tie shall be the official provincial referee tie.

6.2 The shoes shall be white ones.

7. Class

Provincial Referees are classified into four categories of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and P class.

- 7.1 The 3rd class is granted to the one holding 1st Dan or higher who has registered at the ATA Secretariat after having passed the prescribed examination at the Provincial Referee Seminar.
- 7.2 P class is granted to the one holding the Black Stripe(1st. Gup) or Red Belt (2nd Gup) who have registered at the ATA Secretariat after having passed the prescribed examination at the Provincial Referee Seminar.
- 7.3 Other classes are to be granted in accordance with the procedures described in Article 8.2.

8. Promotion

8.1 Application of Promotion

- 8.1.1 **Application Method.** Application shall be made in writing to the Referee Chairman.
- 8.1.2 **Administration.** The ATA Referee Chairman will have screening meetings two times a year (January and September) for selection of the eligible Referees to be promoted according to the Article 8.2. The results will be notified to each applicant.

8.2 Requirements for Promotion

Only the provincial Referees who have paid up to the prescribed annual fees to the ATA may apply for promotion.

- 8.2.1 Requirements for promotion to 1st class
 - Passage of 1 year after obtaining 2nd class qualification.
 - More than 1 time experience in officiating at the provincial events and more than 3 times experience in officiating at the local events promoted or approved by the ATA.
- 8.2.2
 - a) The Provincial Referee holding 1st class qualification is entitled to be designated as the Technical Assistant.
 - b) The Provincial Referee holding 1st class qualification is entitled to apply for National 3rd Class promotion.

- 8.2.3 Requirements for promotion to 2nd class.
- Passage of more than 1 year after obtaining 3rd class qualification.
 - More than 1 time experience in officiating at the provincial events and more than 3 times experience in officiating at the local events promoted or approved by the ATA.
- 8.2.4 Requirements for promotion to 3rd class
- The one holding P class qualification may request for promotion to 3rd class when promoted to Kukkiwon (or WTF) 1st Dan.
- 8.2.5 Any Provincial Referee who has been submitted to a disciplinary measure will be excluded from the promotion to higher class until he/she is released from the disciplinary action.

9. Honorary Provincial Referee

Any Provincial Referee may request for nomination of Honorary Provincial Referee.

- 9.1 Requirements
- 55 years and over as a 3rd class Provincial Referee or higher.
 - Passage of more than 10 years after obtaining ATA Provincial Referee qualification.
- 9.2 Qualification as an Provincial Referee is maintained, but Honorary Provincial Referees are excluded from the nomination to officiate at the Provincial Tae Kwon Do events promoted or approved by the ATA.
- 9.3 Annual fees of the Honorary Provincial Referee are exempted.

10. Validity and suspension of qualification

- 10.1 A card is issued every year to the Provincial Referee and the validity of the card is from the 1st of January to the 31st of December.
- 10.2 Any Provincial Referee who has not received a card due to nonpayment of annual fees is not eligible to be selected to officiate at the Provincial Tae Kwon Do events until the arrears are paid up.
- 10.3 A Provincial Referee who has not paid the prescribed annual dues for 3 consecutive years is automatically deprived of his/her qualification as an Alberta Provincial Referee and it is notified to the pertinent person.

11. Annual Fee

11.1 Annual fees shall be paid in advance before the start of each year along with a photo for an annual card.

11.2 The prescribed annual fees are as follows:

- 1st class : \$15.00
- 2nd class : \$15.00
- 3rd class : \$15.00
- P class: \$15.00

12. Provincial Referee Refresher Course

12.1 The ATA Referee Chairman conducts the Provincial Referee refresher course for education on amended Competition Rules, etc. as well as improvement of quality as the Provincial Referee.

12.2 The Provincial Referee who has attended a Provincial Referee refresher course or who has been appointed as an assistant lecturer for the lecturer for the Provincial Referee refresher course is considered to have experience in officiating at the Provincial Tae Kwon Do events promoted or approved by the ATA.

12.3 The one whose qualification has been deprived in accordance with the Article 10.4 is allowed to attend a Provincial Referee refresher course after payment of annual fees in arrears and the restoration of qualification is granted one time only to pertinent person.

12.4 A graduation diploma is given to the one who has attended a Provincial Referee refresher course.

13. Selection

Selection of the Provincial Referees for the National events shall be done by the ATA Referee Chairman.

14. Duty

14.1 The Provincial Referee shall abide by all the rules with pride and dignity as the Provincial Referee of the ATA.

14.2 The Provincial Referee shall be familiar with the Competition Rules and the guiding principle concerned.

14.3 The Provincial Referee shall officiate at any provincial Tae Kwon Do events without partiality in consideration of the fact that decisions made by the Provincial Referee shall be conclusive.

- 14.4 The Provincial Referee shall wear the uniform designated by the ATA before officiating the events.
- 14.5 The Provincial Referee shall make efforts not to bring about any unnecessary suspension of a match in officiating and shall use the prescribed hand signals.
- 14.6 The Provincial Referee shall inform the ATA of his/her changes on address, etc. and he/she shall be responsible for any disadvantages due to lack of such contacts.

15. Disciplinary Measures

- 15.1 In case that any Provincial Referee has committed following behaviors, the ATA takes disciplinary measures such as warning, rebuke, suspension or deprivation of qualification in accordance with the regulations on sanction of the ATA.
- 15.2 If turned out that the intentional fabrication of judgment has been committed at any Provincial Tae Kwon Do events promoted or approved by the ATA, the qualification for the pertinent Provincial Referee shall be deprived. Even though it is proved that the misjudgment has been committed by mistake not intentionally, any kind of disciplinary measures shall be taken to the pertinent Provincial Referee.
- 15.3 In case of committing any behaviors bringing disgrace of the ATA such as receiving money or other valuables in connection with a judgment, the pertinent Provincial Referee shall be disciplined by deprivation of qualification or other form of disciplinary measures.
- 15.4 When the limit of disciplinary measures is decided, the ATA shall notify the pertinent Provincial Referee of the result.
- 15.5 Other disciplinary measures against a Provincial Referee's misconduct shall be taken according to the regulations on the sanctions of the ATA.

16. Effectiveness

- 16.1 All existing Provincial Referee's before the effective date of this regulation shall be considered to be recognized by these regulations.
- 16.2 This regulation shall be effective as of March 01, 2000.