

## Rules for opening overseas branches of Ryozapaku Karatedo Union

- Article 1 Applicants who want to open overseas branch is required to submit the application of opening to the head quarter.
- Article 2 Although opening itself has to be approved by the headquarter as a rule, branch managers may be able to approve increasing dojos. Also, applicants have to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade holders (Nidan) or higher who are adults and authorized by the headquarter.
- Article 3 Branch managers are required to submit the reports of branch activities for previous month by 10<sup>th</sup> of every month either by mail or Email. The reports have to cover the place and date of training, number of members, membership fee, details of training.
- Article 4 Written oath for admission, notice of absence, notice of leave, application for training-camps, application for competitions have to be submitted by the form designated by the union. They have to be clearly signed and sealed. Minors are required to have their guardians' signature.
- Article 5 Adult new members are required to have the sign and seal from their guarantors.
- Article 6 Report of change- of- address has to be submitted within a month of movement. All notices must be sent to the headquarter.
- Article 7 Branch managers are required to correct monthly membership fee which is suitable to the country's income level from their members. Members of overseas branches are required to pay JP¥10,000 as annual membership fees in the month of admission of every year and branch managers correct those fees from their members and pay on their behalf or members pay in persons. All of those payment can be done either by credit or Paypal.
- Article 8 Overseas branches must purchase uniforms and protectors from the headquarter.
- Article 9 Branch managers authorize their members' promotion following the union's guideline of examining the promotion.
- Article 10 Branch managers authorize new black belts following the union's guideline of promotion and also need to have approval from the master of the headquarter. The headquarter examines the promotion based on the movies sent from the overseas branches.
- Article 11 All members have to take out insurances covering their injuries upon their admissions and have to pay annual insurances by the end of every year. Branches and circles of which member is less than 5 take out insurance through the headquarter.
- Article 12 Injuries and accidents to all members during their trainings, competitions, training-camps will be covered within the scope of insurance coverage. Members have to cure under own responsibility if their injuries are beyond the coverage. The union, other members and instructors are not responsible beyond the scope of insurance coverage.
- Article 13 Members and branch managers will be expelled immediately in case for the followings regardless of their reasons;
- Engaging in the activities of radical religions, terrorisms inside and outside of the union.
  - Solicitating to those organizations.
  - Being fashioned associating those organizations.
  - Conducting the actions associating those organizations.
  - Interacting with those organizations.
  - Applying the technique of Karate for violence.
- Article 14 The executive meeting will make decision of punishment for members and branch managers who

happened significant failures and accidents from social viewpoints after they completed their responsibilities for those outcomes.

- Article 15 Copied rights of writings, logos, pictures, movies, organizational structures, techniques, forms, training methods, teaching methods, pictures of trainings and tournaments all of which are related to the union belong to Ryozanpaku Karatedo Union and protected by the copy right law. Their reproduction, publishing, use, partial use without approval from the union are regarded as violation of copy rights and if they are found out, the union may take proper actions following the copy right law. These are applicable even for all managers who are dismissed, all members who left, who were exploited and who were expelled from the union and proper actions may be taken when the copy rights are violated.
- Article 16 Members may be excluded or expelled if they denigrate, give disadvantages to Shin Nihon Budo Karatedo Federation, Karate Kids' Japan, members of Ryozanpaku Karatedo Union and their family members and will not be allowed to use their works nor careers during their registration. Also, former members who denigrated the union may be prosecuted for defamation under the legislative procedures.
- Article 17 Branch managers and members have to compensate equivalent value to loss of goods rent from the union.
- Article 18 Branches can not be closed down without approval from the headquarter.
- Article 19 Branch managers' meeting is governed by the executive meeting and any amendments of the rule are decided by the executive meeting.
- Article 20 All branch managers and members who violate above rules are obliged to compensate for any damages which such violation brought to the union. If they are minors, their protectors assume all responsibilities on their behalf. Also, the protectors or guardians have to assume all responsibilities for the adults who don't have capability to assume. Individuals who signed or sealed in the section of guardian in the written oath are regarded as official guardians.

Violation of copy right law and neighboring right law charge up to 3 years in prison or up to JP¥ 3 million fine. Also, the union, holders of copy rights and neighboring rights may claim compensations for damages. All slanders are regarded defamation of the union.

#### Members' spirits

Always being ambitious, devoting oneself and making efforts to become an authentic individual, value ethic and morality, self-experience and self-responsibility as basic way of life, fulfilling social responsibilities, maintaining good order, improvement of mind and body, contribution to healthy relationships among members.