



AWARDS - Super Grands

- 1st Photos in our official website or *Sport Karate Magazine* of each 1st place winner.
 - 1st-2nd Run-off in the Grand Finale for the world title.
 - 1st-3rd The prestigious satin NBL black belt embroidered in metallic gold, silver or bronze.
 - 1st Specially struck World Championship Rings in all world title divisions except continuous sparring. The winning point sparring teams receive only one ring presented to the team coach or sponsor. *(Continuous sparring and individual team players receive watches for 1st place. Continuous sparring and team players may purchase rings separately).* Rings will not be available until the Awards Banquet Tuesday night.
 - 1st All point, continuous and team sparring winners receive custom designed Super Grands World Champion Gold & Red Metallic "All Star Gear".
 - 2nd Impressive custom designed NBL championship watches (Except continuous and team sparring).
 - 1st-8th Championship title certificates suitable for plaque mounting.
- IMPORTANT:** Plaques and certificates WILL NOT be shipped to winners after the SG unless shipping is paid in advance and only if requested with in 60 days of the last day of SG. Shipping can be arranged at the Awards pick-up room.

STAFF

"The Super Grands Staff - Second to None"

The Super Grands spent over \$50,000 on its staff last year. This insured a smooth running fair tournament.

REFEREES / SCOREKEEPERS :

Referees and Scorekeepers are being selected in advance. Any additional staff that are needed and selected at the event will be given \$5 per hour to Referee/Scorekeeper. (Some Referees/ Scorekeepers received over \$200 each in 2012). No prior experience is necessary to attend any Scorekeeping or Referees clinic.

All additionally selected Referees appropriately dressed wearing a tie and jacket will be given \$7 per hour instead of \$5. It will pay to look and act professional!!

(see clinic times listed in the Daily Schedules).

NOTE - All Referees/Scorekeepers (except pre-selected Referees/ Scorekeepers) must pay for a weekly or daily spectator pass or be a registered player before applying to be a Judge or Scorekeeper at a clinic. Being chosen isn't guaranteed by attending a clinic.

If you want to work at the Super Grands as a pre-selected Official please contact us at 716-763-1111 anytime before December 1, 2013.

PLAYER BEHAVIOR

A word to the wise...NBL is firm in its commitment to the individual, family and the school and the image that is presented to them at our events. The Super Grands/Amateur Internationals will not tolerate unethical or unsportsmanlike behavior. Anyone exhibiting one of the following is subject to fines according to the SKITA Handbook and/or ejection from the tournament and the hotel - no matter who they are. Please help us make this a positive, fun, rewarding and educational experience.

1. Damage to hotel or disrespect to other hotel guests.
2. Spectators/players in unauthorized areas on the tournament floor.
3. Unauthorized loitering at, or entry onto, the Grand Finale stage.
4. Swearing in/around the competition area.
5. Arguing with the arbitrator, referee or staff.
6. Any other unethical/unsportsmanlike conduct (altercations with other players/teams, unruliness, etc.).
7. Anyone caught removing or stealing player posters will be arrested.

HOW TO FILL IN A PLAYER CARD FOR STICK FIGHTING

Read below or go to www.nblskil.com and refer to tutorial

FRONT SIDE: Carefully cut out a sparring (gray) card from the center spread for each Stick Fighting division that you are competing in. Fill in numbers one (1) through five (5) on each and every card including your team and coaches' full name (if you are on a team) - **no exceptions.** Fill in your instructor's full name and school that you can legitimately claim for the division that you are competing in. You **MUST** fill in your division number correctly. Number six (6) is not to be filled in.

BACK SIDE: It is necessary to fill in the entire back side of only one card. It must be the card for the division with your lowest division number that you're entering. You must fill in the blanks for instructor, school and school address with your present instructor and present school on that card. **DO NOT** use your sponsor's team or coach's name and/or address. For all other cards, either fill them out in their entirety or write in very large letters over the top of the boxes on the back of those cards with the the division number of the first card you filled out (that has the lowest division number) so we know which card we can find your info on. **However, on all those cards you must print your name at the top of the backside and sign the Waiver of Injury form at the bottom.**

STICK FIGHTING

ELIMINATIONS - Registration

1. **QUALIFICATIONS:** The stick fighting divisions are open to anyone of blackbelt or under blackbelt rank. You may compete in as many divisions as you wish and that you qualify for. Players over 35 years of age can enter in both 18+ and 35+ divisions. Divisions are all ranks mixed together. Do not compete if you feel you are not capable of competing with those more advanced than you.
 2. **AGE:** (Same as Amateur Internationals - see page 28, 5. AGE).
 3. **RULES:** Same as SKITA point sparring rules for point stick sparring and continuous sparring rules for continuous stick sparring with the following exceptions or clarifications. *(No Warnings - All penalties are the same as SKITA Rules).*
- Note:** Any arbitration not covered by these rules or SKITA rules will be decided upon by the sole discretion of the Arbitrator.

III. PLAYER UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT:

B. SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

1-5 Equipment - Players must wear headgear with face shields, sparring gloves or hand protection and males must wear a groin cup. No shoes allowed.

D. WEAPONS:

1. Specifications - Approved sticks for competition are "Premier Padded Weaponry", "Smak Sticks" and others approved by the Center Referee. A maximum length of 24" for all 11 & under and a maximum length of 28" for all ages 12 & over.

VI. SEQUENCE OF PLAY

2. Choosing the Order - All byes will be chosen first. Then, in all rounds, players from the same country (first), players from the same state (second) and players from the same school location (third), shall not be paired against each other if possible.

VII. RULES OF PLAY

A. PERFORMANCE

3. Time Limit - Two (2) minutes running time.

C. SCORING AREAS

1. Legal Scoring Areas - The entire body - Head, legs, torso, hands, and feet.
2. Non-Scoring Areas - No direct contact to the front of the neck and no striking to the groin, spine or back of head or neck.

D. TECHNIQUES

1. **Legal Techniques** - Striking with padded end of the stick, thrusting techniques to the body. Solid striking or thrusting techniques should be scored, glancing blows "Nicks" are up to the discretion of the Referee. Parrying, deflecting or pushing with the hand, to the opponent's station, any stick or thrusting stick is legal.
2. **Illegal Techniques** - In single stick divisions, the stick must be held by only one hand. No thrusting techniques to the face or head. No open hand techniques, punches, kicking or grappling techniques. No use of punyo or butt end of the stick. No grabbing the opponent's stick.

F. SCORING BY POINTS AND PENALTY

2. Scoring of Points - One (1) point for arms, legs, torso, hands, and feet. Two (2) points for head
3. Scoring by Penalties - Dropping a stick or grabbing the opponent's stick is, by the Center Judge or by majority vote of Referees, a one (1) point penalty for each infraction. A player who disarms his opponent will, by the (2) Center Judge or by majority of the Referees, receive two (2) points each and every time.
5. Amount of Points to Win - The player with the most points after two (2) minutes playing time or a ten (10) point or more spread.

4. **WHEN:** Junior/Adult Continuous - Thursday
Junior / Adult Point - Friday

5. **AWARDS:** Specially struck Gold, Silver and Bronze Olympic style medals.

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(See this page, first column).

28 DIVISIONS

BLACKBELT & UNDER BLACKBELT

All divisions allow any rank, but under blackbelts cannot wear a belt. We reserve the right to combine or separate divisions depending upon the number of competitors in attendance. **Extra headgear and sticks will be provided to those who do not have their own equipment or want to try this event for the first time.** You may compete in as many divisions as you wish but if you are in one division when your other division is called, then you run the unlikely risk of being disqualified. **Remember** - you must compete at the age you were on January 1, 2013 at 12:01 a.m.

() = Day of the week held and ring number.

FA = First Available Ring

POINT - SINGLE STICK				CONTINUOUS - SINGLE STICK			
		lbs.	kilo			lbs.	kilo
NP-1	(Fr-5)	11-	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NP-2	(Fr-7)	12-14	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NP-3	(Fr-6)	15-17	-	-	-	(m)	
NP-4	(Fr-3)	15-17	-	-	-	(f)	
NP-5	(Fr-4)	18+	-	-	-	(m)	
NP-6	(Fr-4)	18+	-	-	-	(f)	
NP-7	(Fr-4)	35+	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-1	(Th-5)	11-	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NC-2	(Th-5)	12-14	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NC-3	(Th-5)	15-17	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-4	(Th-5)	15-17	-	-	-	(f)	
NC-5	(Th-7)	18+	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-6	(Th-7)	18+	-	-	-	(f)	
NC-7	(Th-7)	35+	-	-	-	(m)	
POINT - DOUBLE STICK				CONTINUOUS - DOUBLE STICK			
		lbs.	kilo			lbs.	kilo
NP-8	(Fr-5)	11-	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NP-9	(Fr-7)	12-14	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NP-10	(Fr-6)	15-17	-	-	-	(m)	
NP-11	(Fr-3)	15-17	-	-	-	(f)	
NP-12	(Fr-4)	18+	-	-	-	(m)	
NP-13	(Fr-4)	18+	-	-	-	(f)	
NP-14	(Fr-4)	35+	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-8	(Th-5)	11-	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NC-9	(Th-5)	12-14	-	-	-	(m/f)	
NC-10	(Th-5)	15-17	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-11	(Th-5)	15-17	-	-	-	(f)	
NC-12	(Th-7)	18+	-	-	-	(m)	
NC-13	(Th-7)	18+	-	-	-	(f)	
NC-14	(Th-7)	35+	-	-	-	(m)	