



# SKIL PLAYER MEMBERSHIP



## HOW THE SKIL RATINGS WORK

Sport Karate International (SKIL) rates both blackbelts and under blackbelts. A SKIL member may compete at and earn points at any karate tournament that is sanctioned by SKIL. A member who places in the top three places at a C sanctioned event or top four places at B, BB, or BBB sanctioned events or the top eight places at A, AA or AAA sanctioned events receives points toward their rating. A member can accumulate points in sparring, forms, weapons, and self defense. We do not rate grand championships, breaking and team sparring competition. The player's ratings are published in *Sport Karate Magazine* - SMASH, three (3) times a year, February 1st, June 1st and the final ratings in the October issue.

When a player joins SKIL Ratings, he/she may back track to the beginning of the season (July 1) and credit him/herself for any points he/she has earned at those previously SKIL sanctioned tournaments. It is the responsibility of the member to tally his/her rating points on an official SKIL / NBL point chart and send it in according to the chart instructions and deadline dates.

A player can only earn points at tournaments that have officially been sanctioned with SKIL despite what may be printed on a tournament brochure or elsewhere. Official SKIL sanctioned tournaments are included in the tournament listings in the back of *Sport Karate Magazine*. Any tournament claiming to be sanctioned by SKIL but not listed in the magazine can only be verified by phoning SKIL executive offices.

The season begins July 1 of one year, and ends June 30 of the following year. A member can retain his/her eight (8) highest scores from the tournaments he/she has competed in for each division during the season. By using this system to obtain rating points, a competitor is rated more by his/her ability of performance than by the quantity of tournaments that he/she attends. This helps cut down on the "burn out" factor of tournament competition and reduces the cost of being rated.

## HOW TO QUALIFY FOR THE SKIL AMATEUR INTERNATIONALS

The SKIL Amateur Internationals determines, through head-to-head competition, true international amateur sport karate champions. The tournament is open to anyone regardless of SKIL membership, however all Sport Karate International (SKIL) rated members will be eligible to be seeded (placed into a preferred position of competition) if they preregister for the event. Seeding is explained in the Sport Karate International Tournament Alliance (SKITA) Rulebook ([www.nblskil.com](http://www.nblskil.com)). The SKIL Amateur Internationals is held after the end of each year's competition season in November, December or January. This event is held at the same location and same weekend as the National Blackbelt League's (NBL) Super Grands World Games.

The event coincides with the NBL and SKIL Sport Karate Banquet. Each year the NBL Super Grands World Games and the Amateur Internationals moves to a different city throughout the world.

## SKIL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**All applicants from USA and Canada receive a FREE subscription to *Sport Karate Magazine* (SMASH) during their membership.**

YEAR OF MEMBERSHIP DESIRED - July 1, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ to June 30, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. m. \_\_\_\_/d. \_\_\_\_/y. \_\_\_\_ RANK \_\_\_\_\_ SEX: MALE \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTOR: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ PAID BY: CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_ M.O. \_\_\_\_\_ C.C. \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** All payments other than by check or money order require a service fee of \$1.00.

**CHECK THE FOLLOWING: MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL \_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED (OR AM NOW SUBMITTING) A BIRTH CERTIFICATE \_\_\_\_\_**

**NOTE:** BIRTH CERTIFICATE - It is highly recommended, but not required, to submit a certified birth certificate to show proof of age for SKIL. Sending in a certified birth certificate just once, should serve as proof of age for most all future SKIL requirements. A competitor who submits a certified birth certificate (no facsimiles allowed) will receive a laminated membership card stating his/her date of birth. This will help prevent problems in the junior and senior divisions on both the regional and national level for those tournaments that wish to accept the membership card as proof of age.

### MEMBERSHIP COST

Membership is in US dollars only. Membership cards will be issued and sent immediately upon receipt of application. All US memberships include a FREE 4th class yearly subscription to *Sport Karate Magazine* (If you upgrade to a 1st class subscription you'll receive the magazine about two weeks earlier each issue - see fourth column). All Canadians receive a FREE 1st class subscription. Members from other countries may subscribe to the magazine for the cost listed below in the fourth column.

### INSTRUCTOR REBATE

**ATTENTION INSTRUCTORS:** If you agree to broker your students' membership application by collecting their fees and sending them to us then you can keep the amount of money listed in the third column below as a processing and incentive fee on each membership. It is no additional cost to your student as they would be paying it to us with the higher individual membership fee anyhow (see first column).

(✓ CHECK WHICH APPLIES)	MEMBERSHIP COST IF SENT IN BY INDIVIDUAL COMPETITOR (✓)	COST IF COMPETITOR GIVES TO INSTRUCTOR TO SEND IN (✓)	AMOUNT INSTRUCTOR IS ALLOWED TO KEEP (✓)	COST FOR SPORT KARATE MAGAZINE (✓) PER YEAR (or 1st class upgrade-USA) (\$5 additional for 1st class)	TOTAL \$ SENT IN
NORTH AMERICA					
USA	\$35. _____	\$30. _____	\$10. _____	x _____	_____
CANADA	35. _____	30. _____	10. _____	15. _____	_____
MEXICO	20. _____	15. _____	10. _____	15. _____	_____
CENTRAL AMERICA	20. _____	15. _____	10. _____	15. _____	_____
SOUTH AMERICA (Caribbean)	15. _____	10. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____
EUROPE	20. _____	15. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____
AFRICA					
REP. OF SOUTH AFRICA	20. _____	15. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	15. _____	10. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____
ASIA	15. _____	10. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____
AUSTRALIA	20. _____	15. _____	5. _____	15. _____	_____

applicant's signature

applicant's parents signature (if under 18 years old)

MAIL TO : Sport Karate International - 341 East Fairmount Ave., Lakewood, NY 14750