



PROFESSIONAL KARATE COMMISSION REGION IV

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Dear PKC Member:

Welcome to the Professional Karate Commission. The PKC has several functions. Our main function is to preserve & perpetuate the dignity, respect and traditions of Karate-do. When you see the PKC Logo on an event flyer, it is the equivalent of the "Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval". You can be assured of getting your moneys worth at a PKC event.

As a PKC Member and a point competitor there are some things you should be aware of.

- 1) To recognize a PKC event, look for the PKC Logo or look for "PKC Sanctioned" printed on an event flyer. You will find the tournament schedule posted on the web at 'pkcheadquarters.org' You will receive National/International points for placing 1st-4th place at these events.
- 2) If you place 1st in your division at a PKC event, you will be awarded 15 National points, 2nd place will receive 10 National points, 3rd place will receive 5 National points, and 4th place will receive 3 National points.
- 3) There are an average of 70 PKC tournaments each season in which you can accumulate National International points.
- 4) Point results or Ratings will be mailed to PKC Associated Schools each quarter. If your school is not a PKC Associated School, look for these results on the web at <http://pkcheadquarters.org> or at PKC events.
- 5) PKC State Directors are permitted three Double Point Tournament per National Season. Watch for the 2 asterisks before the name of the tournament on the schedule (ie: **1st Indiana Tournament). The PKC International Championship will grant triple points to all who place 1st – 4th.
- 6) Some tournament promoters will offer you discounts on entry fees if you are carrying your PKC Membership Card. So don't leave home without it.
- 7) Learn your PKC Membership # to ensure a proper record of your points. When you receive an award and are asked for your name, give your Membership number also.
- 8) If you change divisions throughout the year (because of rank advancement or age), the division where you accumulate the most points is where you will receive your combined total at the end of the season.

The PKC holds a National Awards Banquet, along with the PKC International Karate Championships, at the end of the season. This will be held in the fall. The top ten (10) competitors in each National Division will be recognized and presented an award at this Banquet. You must be present to accept the award. In addition, all other competitors who attend the banquet will be recognized and receive a certificate of participation at this Banquet. Other awards presented include the "Top School Award" - given to the PKC Associated School that accumulated the most points throughout the year, and the "Special Awards". There are over 25 categories of "Special Awards" such as — Best Tournament, Sportsmanship, Best Male and Female Martial Artists (children and adults), and many others. The awards Banquet is sometimes emotional and always a very special evening of camaraderie for all.

Good Luck! If you have any questions or suggestions call us at PKC Region IV (814) 860-1602, or email us at: kingcobra1@roadrunner.com

Respectfully,

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