



KARATE1
SERIES A

LARNACA 2024



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February

Karate 1 – Series A

Larnaca 2024

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1. WELCOME MESSAGE

1.1 Greeting from the Head of the host NF

The development of World Karate Federation the past years has been tremendous, thus the National Federations have adapted and produced high quality Championships.

Cyprus Karate Federation delightfully organizes in Larnaca City the “WKF Karate 1- Series A” on the 16th to the 18th of February 2024.

Following the successful accomplishment of the “WKF Karate 1-Series A 2023” and the “EKF U16, U18, U21 2023” the management and the administration of the Cyprus Karate Federation feels blessed more than ever in running a new version of the “Series A” in Larnaca. Our aim is the Championships to be purposeful and worthwhile for all stakeholders “athletes, coaches, referees, delegates and spectators.”



The Championships will be held in the same sport hall “[Kition Athletic Center](#)” as is was organized in both “Series A” and “EKF” champs in 2023.

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Cyprus Karate Federation and all those contributors, participants, the World Karate Federation personnel and especially the President Mr. Antonio Espinos for their cooperation and trust towards us to organize the exclusiveness of the WKF Karate 1 Series A Larnaca 2023.

Your participation means a lot to us and we look forward seeing you in Larnaca!

Andreas Vasileiou
The Cyprus Karate Federation
President

2. INTRODUCTION

The WKF Karate 1-Series A is a world-class competition that provides karatekas around the world with more competitive opportunities to shine at the highest level. Presented in an open format thus allowing every athlete in the world to compete, the Karate 1- Series A is framed under the umbrella of the Karate 1 to bring together the best competitors in a series of open championships of unprecedented scale and quality. In addition to this, the Karate 1-Series A offers karatekas the chance to increase their ranking position as the universality of top Karate tournaments is showcased.

While maintaining the individual character of each event, all Series A events have to meet certain standards in order to achieve the above-mentioned goals. Therefore, it is necessary to follow these Karate 1 – Series A Organizing Rules 2024.

All members of WKF are admitted participating. The competition categories are identical to those of Senior World Championships except for Kumite team.

The number of competitors for **Kumite** modality is limited to a maximum of 96 athletes per category.

For **Kata** modality the number of competitors is limited to a maximum of 128 athletes.

The WKF [Competition Rules](#) in force will be applied.

Competitors of individual categories earn ranking points in every WKF Karate1 event according to the official [WKF World Ranking regulations](#).

3. INTRODUCTION KARATE 1-SERIES A LARNACA 2024

The Karate 1 – Series A (Larnaca) 2024 will be held in Larnaca, Cyprus between 16-18 February 2024 at "[Kition Athletic Center](#)"



4. COMPETITION INFORMATION

4.1 Categories

- Female Kumite: - 50kg, - 55kg, - 61kg, - 68kg, + 68kg
- Male Kumite: - 60kg, - 67kg, - 75kg, - 84kg, + 84kg
- Individual Kata: Female, Male
- Team Kata: Female, Male

4.2 Prizes

For Individual categories (Kumite and Kata):

- Gold medallist: 500 €
- Silver medallist: 300 €
- Bronze medallist: 100 €

For team categories (Kumite and Kata):

- Gold medallist: 600 €
- Silver medallist: 400 €
- Bronze medallist: 200 €

5. CONTACTS INFORMATION

5.1 Organizers contact details

Cyprus Karate Federation

Address: 21, Amfipoleos Street 216b, 2025 Nicosia, Cyprus

Tel. +357 22449839 E-Mail: cypruskaratefederation@gmail.com

5.2 Local Organising Committee contact details

Cyprus Karate Federation – Executive Committee



Andreas Vasileiou - President



Giorgos Vrikkis – Secretary General



Sinos Konstantinou - Treasurer



Sofris Zenonas – Sport Director



Fotis Marathovounakis – Sport Director



Manos Vathyliotis - Member



Panayiotis Ioannou – Member

5.3 WKF Event Supervisor contact

The WKF Event Supervisor for this Youth League event is Mr. Dominique Sigillo. His contact details are as follows:

Email: sigillo.wkf@gmail.com

5.4 Safe Sport contact

WKF events must be safe for all athletes and participants and entirely free from any form of non-accidental violence, namely, harassment and abuse. Any such behaviour will not be tolerated.

If you or someone you know has been the victim of abuse or harassment in Karate, get help and report it.

Your first point of contact for any incident at this event is the WKF Event Supervisor, whose contact information you can find detailed above.

Otherwise, any other incident can be reported via the [WKF Official Complaint Form](#) and sent to: safekarate@wkf.net

6. WKF APPROVED PROTECTIONS, KARATEGIS & TATAMIS

The Karate 1-Youth League complies with the highest level of presentation. In order to guarantee the correct delivery of the event, and to ensure the suitable quality of the tournament, exclusively the following brands are WKF Approved for use in the 2024 Karate 1 – Series A Season.

SPORT PROTECTIONS “WKF Approved”



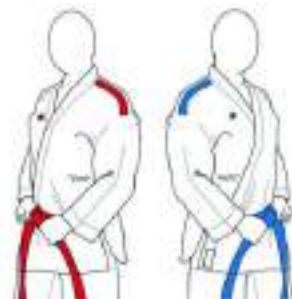
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CHECK THE COMPULSORY PROTECTIONS FOR THIS COMPETITION

OFFICIAL KARATEGI KARATE 1 – SERIES A

Kumite and Kata karategis with the brand name embroidered on the shoulders in **RED** or **BLUE** are of mandatory use in Karate 1- Series A tournaments.

The authorized companies to use these karategis models are:



ADIDAS

ARAWAZA

BESTSPORT

BUDO-NORD

DAEDO

HAYASHI

PUNOK

SHUREIDO

SMAI

TOKAIDO

WACOKU

WESING

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FUJIMAE

HAYATE

HIROTA

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KAMIKAZE

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KWON

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NAGASHI

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PROFORCE

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DISTRIBUTORS ASSISTANCE “WKF Approved”

Click on the image to visit the distributors by countries.



TATAMIS “WKF Approved”



*Click on the logos

7. EVENTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2024	SERIES A	LARNACA
REGISTRATION		
10:00 – 17:00 h	<p style="text-align: center;">Timeslots by alphabetic order of Countries will be applied to ensure a smooth onsite registration process. Such timeslot will be established once finished the online registration.</p> <p>STATIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Waiver, Passport & Accreditation Check 2) System Check (Sportdata) 3) Athlete Weigh-in 	KITION ATHLETIC CENTER Conference Room
18:30 – 19:30 h	Coach Meeting & Draw	KITION ATHLETIC CENTER Conference Room
19:30 – 21:00 h	Referee Briefing	KITION ATHLETIC CENTER Conference Room
WKF COACH COURSE – ACCREDITED COACH CERTIFICATION (LEVEL 1)		
17:00 – 18:30 h	<p>Onsite Registration Entry: Coach</p> <p>STATIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Waiver, Passport & Accreditation Check 	KITION ATHLETIC CENTER Conference Room

8. COMPETITION PROGRAMME

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Day/hour	COMPETITION
Friday, 16/02/2024 9:00-20:30	<p><u>Eliminations & Semi-Finals</u> Female Kata, Male Team Kata</p> <p><u>Eliminations & Semi- Finals</u> Female Kumite (-68kg; +68kg) Male Kumite (-84kg, +84kg, -75kg)</p> <p><u>Repechages</u> Female Kumite (-68kg; +68kg) Male Kumite (-84kg, +84kg, -75kg)</p>
Saturday, 17/02/2024 9:00-20:30	<p><u>Eliminations & Semi-finals</u> Male Kata, Female Team Kata</p> <p><u>Eliminations & Semi- Finals</u> Female Kumite (-50kg, -55kg, -61kg) Male Kumite (-60kg, -67kg)</p> <p><u>Repechages</u> Female Kumite (-50kg, -55kg, -61kg) Male Kumite (-60kg, -67kg)</p>
Sunday, 18/02/2024 9:00-14:00	<p><u>Bronze Medals</u> Individual Kata (Female / Male) Male Kumite (-60kg, -67kg, -75kg, -84kg, +84kg) Female Kumite (-68kg, +68kg, -61kg, -50kg, -55kg) Team Kata (Female / Male)</p>
Sunday, 18/02/2024 14:30-18:00	<p><u>Finals</u> Individual Kata (Female / Male) Male Kumite (-60kg, -67kg, -75kg, -84kg, +84kg) Female Kumite (-68kg, +68kg, -61kg, -50kg, -55kg) Team Kata (Female / Male) Award Ceremony</p>

*The detailed competition schedule will be fixed after closing the online registration in order toadequate it to the final number of athletes.

9. RANKING

Competitors can earn ranking points in every Karate1 event according to the official WKF Ranking Criteria, point 3.2 of the WKF World Ranking Rules.

The participation will be limited to those competitors from position 33 onwards of the WKF ranking.

The [applicable ranking](#) will be the one updated on the day of the registration opening, on dd/mm/20yy. This ranking is called the **Event Ranking** and can be found on the event registration page. It is a **static file** that does not change unlike the current ranking which updates during each ranking update.

10. ONLINE REGISTRATION & OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

No registration will be accepted after the official online registration deadline and all requests will be declined.

The registration will be validated once completed the online payment through the payment platform. In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the Sportdata software team via the email address: karate1@sportdata.org

Clubs / teams / federations are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data.

10.1 Online Registration Process

All **competitor** registrations must be made **ONLINE**

ATHLETES
REGISTRATION

All **referee** registrations must be made **ONLINE**

REFEREE
REGISTRATION

All **coach** registrations must be made **ONLINE**

**COACH
REGISTRATION**

The registration starts three (3) months prior to the event, on **November 16, 2023**, and close fifteen (15) days before the tournament on **February 01, 2024 at 12:00 hrs GMT +0** and it is divided in the following two phases (all phases will close at the 12:00 hrs GMT +0 of the listed day);

- **Phase 1, from November 16 to 30, 2023 (first two weeks)**: Registration only by National Federations for athletes ranked between position 33 and 100 (included) of WKF Ranking. Maximum, 1 athlete per category.
- **Phase 2, from December 01, 2023 to February 01, 2024**: Open registration.

10.2 Official Accreditation

The official registration session will take place on 15 February 2024 from 10:00 h to 17:00 h at KITION ATHLETIC CENTER in Larnaca, Cyprus.

If changes are required during the official registration session because of incorrect or missing registration data, a fee of € 50 is charged for each change.

The athlete's accreditation must contain an updated photograph that allows the athlete to be identifiable throughout the event.

At registration, accreditation cards will be issued with the participants' main data, a photograph and information about registered categories. The accreditation card must be worn at all times during the event.

Only members of national federations recognized by WKF are admitted participating, following the registration procedures described in Series A Organising Rules 2020 (SA OR Point 6 Registration).

All participants must submit an official document (passport or other valid ID card) for the WKF identification and validation at the accreditation session.

The accreditation of any competitor must be done by the athlete or the athlete's coach, in person bringing the athlete passport or other valid ID at the accreditation session.

The competitor who has not collected, either personally or through his/her coach the accreditation during the official registration, will not be included in the draw.

10.3 Technical Support for Online Registration

Web: https://www.sportdata.org/wkf/set-online/index.php?active_menu=home

Email: karate1@sportdata.org

The weighing will be carried out immediately after receiving the accreditation, those athletes who will not attend the weighing will not be included in the draw.

10.4 Entry Fee

The entry fees are:

Per individual category entry:

- €100
- €150 last 15 days.

Per team category: €100

10.5 Payment

All payments must be processed through the ONLINE PAYMENT PLATFORM. **Onsite payments will NOT be accepted.**

11. MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

At the onsite registration, all participants (Coach, Athletes, Referees, Officials) must submit a printed and signed Waiver of Liability form.

There are 3 types, one is for the Club/Team Representative, while the other 2 are for all other participants (Over 18 years old and under 18 years old) . Find the links below.

Waiver of Liability Forms:

- i. NF/Team Representative Waiver ([link](#))
- ii. Individual +18 Form ([link](#))
- iii. Individual - 18 Form (Parental Consent) ([link](#))

• The NF/Team Representative takes full responsibility for the validity of all signatures and information provided.

12. ANTI DOPING EDUCATION

As a participant in karate, it is your responsibility to follow the WKF Anti-Doping Rules. Click the [here](#) to take an Anti-Doping Education & Learning Course and learn more about your responsibilities and visit our [website](#). For a few hours, you help keep karate a clean sport.



Course Recommendations

International-level Athletes Education
 High Performance Coach Education
 Medical Professionals Education
 Parents of Elite Athletes Education

13. WKF ACCREDITED COACH

According to the Coach License Manual, **the minimum level required to take part in the Karate 1 events is the “Accredited Coach” level.** To obtain such certification, **coaches must attend a compulsory Coach Briefing.**

13.1 WKF Coach Programme / Accredited Coach Certification (level 1)

Please find below the Coach schedule and the details for the registration process:

13.1.1 Schedule

Accredited Coach Briefing				
Thursday	15/02/2024	from 17:00	to 18:30	KITION ATHLETIC CENTER

13.1.2 Online Registration

Those coaches who wish to attend to the “WKF Accredited Coach Briefing” in Larnaca must be registered online and must fill out the “Accreditation Agreement for Coaches” that can be downloaded from the online registration site.

All coach registration must be made online latest until February 01, 2024.

**ACCREDITED COACH
BRIEFING
REGISTRATION**

Should you have any difficulties when registering, please contact karate1@sportsid.org for technical support.

13.1.3 Fees

We would like to remind you that the fee to attend to the “Coach Briefing” and to obtain a new license or to renew your expired license of WKF Accredited Coach is 300 CHF.

13.1.4 Payment

All payments must be made through Sportdata platform.

No other methods of payment will be accepted.

Registrations and payments onsite will not be accepted.

14. MEDIA

14.1 Press

Press accreditation can only be given to professional journalists working for a media and having proof of their credentials.

Media professionals can register to request press accreditations through the online registration form which can be found [HERE](#).

Video recording will not be allowed

Should you need more information about press or media related issues, please directly contact the World Karate Federation’s office: press@wkf.net

14.2 YouTube Streaming

The medal bouts (Sunday) of the event will be available by streaming on the WKF YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/WKFKarateWorldChamps>

15. COMPETITION VENUE



[OFFICIAL TATAMI FOR THIS TOURNAMENT](#)

KITION ATHLETIC CENTER

Archiepiskopou Paisiou 24, Larnaka, 6043 +357 24534545

[Kition Athletic Center](#)



16. TICKET FOR SPECTATORS

There will be entrance tickets. The link of the tickets will be sent to all via email. All holders with accreditation card don't need to buy entrance tickets.

17. OFFICIAL HOTELS

17.1 HQ Hotel

SUN HALL HOTEL

A four-star hotel overlooking Phinikoudes promenade and just 50 metres from the beach, Sun Hall Hotel offers air-conditioned rooms. Guests can relax by the pool. The modern guest rooms come with a minibar, a personal safe and satellite TV. Interconnected rooms are available. Guests enjoy unobstructed views of the town or the Mediterranean Sea. Each room features a marble bathroom with walk-in shower. The sea-view Kition Restaurant offers an extended a la carte menu of Cypriot and international cuisine. Guest can also dine at the cafeteria which serves a variety of grills, snacks, pizzas and French delicacies. Helios Cocktail Bar serves cocktails, aperitifs and liqueurs.

The hotel is directly opposite Phinikoudes Beach, offering water sports, shops, restaurants, and bars. It is 100 metres from the Yacht Marina and 600 metres from Larnaca Fortress.



17.2 Official hotels

JOSEPHINE HOTEL

A three-star hotel situated in Larnaca, 300 m from Saint Lazarus Church.



FRANCGIORGIO HOTEL

A three-star hotel situated just 100 meters away from the famous Finikoudes beach of Larnaca.



AMORGOS HOTEL

A three-star hotel located in the center of Larnaca, just 100 Meters from the beach and the shopping center.



RISE HOTEL

Rise street Art Hotel is motivated by the extraordinary, whether it be through influential people or simply art. Situated in the heart of Larnaca.



SUN HALL BEACH APARTMENTS

Sun Hall Beach Apartments is situated right on the famous beach of Finikoudes.



LIVADHIOTIS HOTEL

The hotel is situated in the heart of Larnaca, from the hotel you can reach the beach in 100m and it is only 10 minutes away from the Larnaca airport.



MIKES KANARIUM HOTEL

A three-star hotel just 300 m from Finikoudes Beach. Larnaca Castle is 60 m away.



LES PALMIER BOUTIQUE BEACH HOTEL

Les Palmiers is a trendy boutique hotel, right in the heart of Larnaca, 20 metres from the beach.



FLAMINGO HOTEL

The **Flamingo Beach Hotel** is a comfortable three-star hotel.



17.3 Hotels Prices

		SINGLE	TWIN	TRIPLE	BOARD BASIS	BED & BREAKFAST	HALF BOARD (DINNER) PER PERSON
SUN HALL HOTEL HQ HOTEL	4 STAR NEW	€100	€130	€180	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€26
LIVADIOTIS	3 STAR	€80	€100	€130	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€20
RISE HOTEL	3 STAR	€70	€100	€130	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	NONE
FRANCGIORGIO	3 STAR	€90	€120	€160	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€22
SUN HALL APARTMENTS	APARTMENTS	€70	€100	€130	BREAKFAST €10	NONE	NONE
JOSEPHINE	3 STAR BOUTIQUE	€95	€130	€170	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€22
MIKES KANARIUM	3 STAR	€70	€90	€110	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€20
AMORGOS	3 STAR	€85	€120	€160	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€22
LE PALMIER	3 STAR	NONE	€120	€160	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	NONE
FLAMINGO	3 STAR	€70	€90	€110	BREAKFAST	INCLUSIVE	€16

Tax included.

THE DEADLINE TO BOOK THE ACCOMMODATION IS THE END OF JANUARY 2024.

Note: After the end of January 2024, the Cyprus Karate Federation cannot guarantee the availability of any rooms.

The reservations for accommodation and transportation will be handled by the Amathus Corporation Ltd through the following email:
karatelarnaca2024@amathus.com

Contact Telephone number: +35725369122

Should you have any further inquiries **please contact the Amathus Corporation Ltd** through the above **email** or **telephone** number.

Please note that all **prices are in euro and are on a bed and breakfast basis**. Should you need an extra meal on Half/Board or Full/Board basis request that through email. Note that all accommodation and transportation bookings must be fully paid to Amathus Corporation Ltd through to be considered as fully booked.

17.4 Transport Services

Larnaca airport

TAXI 4 SEATS	€50	Per taxi one way route
TAXI 6 SEATS	€75	Per taxi one way route
MINI BUS - 10 SEATS	€240	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport
MINI BUS - 20 SEATS	€460	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport
BUS 55 SEATS	€700	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport

Paphos airport

TAXI 4 SEATS	€160	Per taxi one way route
TAXI 6 SEATS	€240	Per taxi one way route
MINI BUS - 10 SEATS	€800	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport
MINI BUS - 20 SEATS	€1200	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport
BUS 55 SEATS	€1400	Airport – Hotel & Hotel - Airport

The above prices are from Larnaca and Pafos International Airports to hotels and back to the Airports (Round Trip). **All travellers must enter the Republic of Cyprus ONLY through the official Airports, which are the International Airports of Larnaca and Paphos.**

For booking your transportation you need to request it through the Amathus Corporation Ltd karatelarnaca2024@amathus.com

Contact Telephone number: +35725369122

17.5 Meals at the Venue

There will be a canteen and a cafeteria operating in the venue. In the case of the cafeteria **meals** will be offered and you will be notified ahead of time for ordering through the Cyprus Karate Federation at cypruskaratefederation@gmail.com

18. VISA REQUIREMENTS

<https://www.visitcyprus.com/index.php/en/practical-info/entry-requirements>



For any further request, please contact;

Cyprus Karate Federation, at the e-mail; cypruskaratefederation@gmail.com

19. CITY / COUNTRY INFORMATION

19.1 About LARNACA

Larnaca (also spelt as Larnaka) is a port city located on the southern coast of Cyprus. It is the third-largest town after Nicosia and Limassol and home to the second-largest commercial port.

The beautiful city of Larnaca provides the perfect balance of being a modern metropolitan city while maintaining scenic island life. The Cypriot city certainly has an interesting history and has been enriched with different cultures. Besides the historic attractions and the oceanic views, the stunning coastline surrounded by palm trees is sure to keep you in awe.

The city which is built on the ruins of ancient Citium is endowed with numerous attractions such as Larnaca Castle, the Church of Saint Lazarus, Hala Sultan Tekke etc. Larnaca's waterfronts, scenic vistas, parks and beautiful beaches with leisure and water sports facilities enhance its beautiful coastline.

Larnaca is a thin ribbon of a town and you can walk around most of it. The seaside Larnaca Promenade (Finikoudes) is particularly pleasant for a stroll in the evening.

The beaches of Larnaca are full of seafood restaurants catering to tourists. The easiest way to find a good place is to simply walk along until you find a restaurant.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Larnaca>



19.2 How to get to CYPRUS

Cyprus is a full member of the European Union and connects with numerous international airports all over the world. **All travellers must enter the Republic of Cyprus ONLY through the official Airports, which are the International Airports of Larnaca and Paphos.**



<https://www.visitcyprus.com/index.php/en/>

19.3 Practical Information



<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cyprus>



<https://www.visitcyprus.com/index.php/en/discovercyprus/sun-sea>

20. GENERAL INFORMATION

20.1 Currency and Exchange

Euro

20.2 Business Hours

Shop Opening Hours

Shop opening hours vary depending on their type and location and whether they are located in urban, tourist or rural areas.

Generally, shops will open between 07:00 - 21:00 on Monday - Saturday, but this can vary an hour or two either way, depending on the type of shop and the area it is located in. On Sunday, opening times are later, typically around 11:00, and closing times vary from 14:00 - 22:00, again depending on the type of outlet and its area.

Some shops still observe a half-day closing on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, and close on Sunday, although in most of the tourist areas of Cyprus, both shops and supermarkets stay open till late at night, and are also open on Sundays.

20.3 Electricity

In Cyprus the standard voltage is 240 V and the frequency is 50 Hz. You can use your electric appliances in Cyprus, if the standard voltage in your country is in between 220 - 240 V (as is in the UK, Europe, Australia and most of Asia and Africa).

20.4 Vehicle Driving

Vehicles are right hand drive and driving is done on the left side of the road.

20.5 Alcohol

Alcohol is only served and sold to people over 18 years of age. The consumption of alcohol is illegal under 18 years of age

20.6 Tobacco

No smoking or vaping is allowed in inside areas at any venue

20.7 Safety in the city

Crime against visitors is not common in Cyprus, but the usual common-sense rules apply around keeping your belongings safe in your hotel room and when out in restaurants and bars.

EMERGENCY NUMBER 112

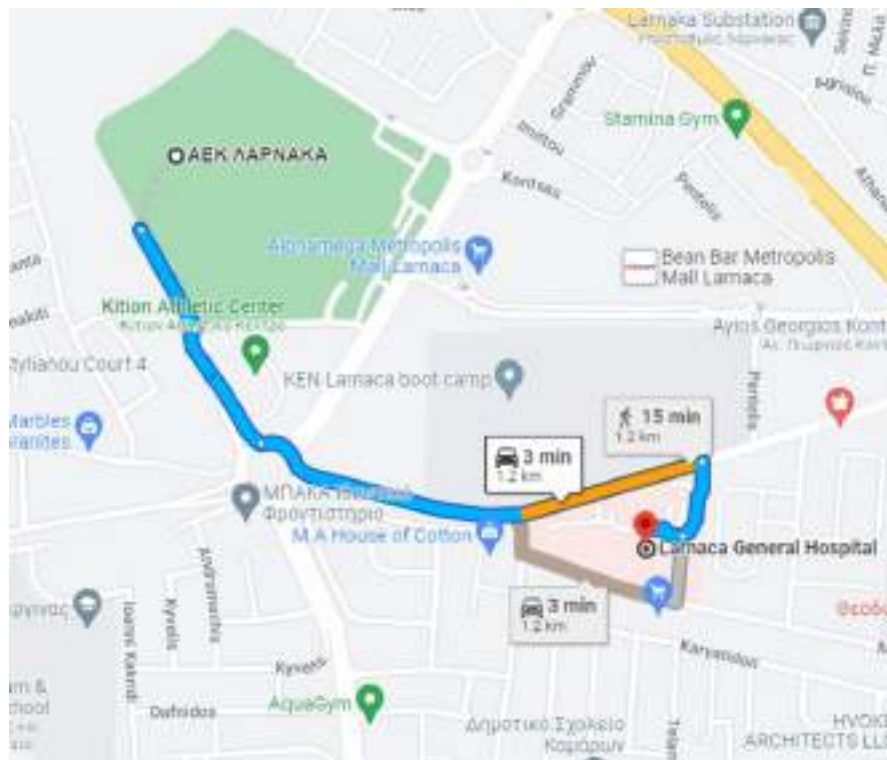
Directory Enquiries

A 24-hour service for directory inquiries in Cyprus is available by dialling: **11892 or 11800**

Information for foreign customers, country codes and area codes can be obtained by dialling: **11894**

Larnaca General Hospital

<https://shso.org.cy/en/hospital/geniko-nosokomeio-larnakas/>



Local Organizing Committee

Cyprus Karate Federation Address: 21, Amfipoleos Street 216b, 2025 Nicosia,
Cyprus Tel. +357 22449839 E-Mail: cypruskaratefederation@gmail.com

21. OMISSIONS

As regards that the specific items are not expressly foreseen in the present bulletin reference is to be made to the general rules and guidelines contained in WKF Regulations.

