



Plan for 9th ITF Oceania Umpire & Coaching Course 20th-21st April 2024
Course Conductor: GM Dr Linda Low

Course to be conducted via Microsoft Teams Video link across Australia & New Zealand
Host venue: Inspirit Gym, Nelson Rd, Darlington

The major focus is to support Queensland clubs (Master Jeff Dieben) in readiness for their first hosting of AAITF National Championships in Cairns, Qld, on 4th-5th May 2024.

It must be stated before outlining the programme that the Championships are being held as part of an annual event known as the North Queensland Games. This event includes approx. 50 different sports and has its own rules and guidelines for participation.

Each sport is autonomous but must register competitors thru the QG online app. Each competitor pays a fee to the Games and a fee to their own sport. For this, all medals and trophies are bought by the Games committee, there is free advertising and small gifts.

This is the first time TKD has been included and it is an excellent community celebration as well as a very good means of promotion of ITF TKD.

However, it also means that the registration has to go thru QG and not thru our own DB. I hope you are agreeable to this. We will, of course, advertise it thru the ITF website.

The Course times are designed to accommodate different time zones, ensuring that the appropriate number of hours are completed. Each venue will set up a reduced size ring to simulate as closely as possible an actual tournament event. Extra coloured belt students will be brought in free of charge as performers for each event. The Course participants will be black belts and red belts who will umpire at the Nationals as well as a number who are refreshing qualifications or extending their knowledge.

Saturday 20th April 9am-4pm Western Australia time

9am registration check, introduction

Umpire role, etiquette, professionalism using power point and discussion

Pattern judging 10am – 12.15pm. Scoring using pattern performers from each gym, role of coaches in protest, groups marking different criteria, experienced umpires demonstrate best ways to focus and score. Team patterns.

12.45pm – 3pm Sparring: Set-up of ring, role of corner judges/CR. Scoring criteria, warnings, points – shown on power point, drills for referees led by Master Bradley, Senior Australian Umpire. Coach's role in protest and ringside protocol led by Master Kordanovski, Australia head coach. Practice of sparring scenarios, gold point, scoring. Team sparring protocol.

3.15pm- 4pm Self-defence scoring, timing and checking compulsory techniques using video and demonstration teams



Sunday 21st April 9am – 11.30pm

Special Technique – set-up, performance criteria, timing, pre-judging, umpire flags and positioning, valid/invalid. Practice of event and testing of umpires.

Power Breaking – Protocol and scoring, pre-judging, checking boards, positioning and valid/invalid. Practice and testing for umpire certificate candidates.

Re-cap of all events.

12pm Candidates perform practical test for Umpire A, B certificates in remaining areas. Written test given by email for individual feedback.