

Wadokai International Cup 2025 Competition Regulations

Explanation of Referee Auxiliary Actions

Wado-kai Technical Committee Referee Subcommittee

The tournament will conform to the WKF Competition Rules, However protests and video reviews will not be accepted.

To ensure the accuracy of the competition rules, the competition will be conducted in accordance with the following Wadokai Headquarters regulations.

1. Regarding Appeals for Out-of-Bounds Situations

To assist the referee(SHUSHIN), if a competitor steps out of bounds, the judges(FUKUSHIN) shall tap the floor to signal the referee. However, the final decision regarding whether the competitor is out of bounds rests with the referee.

2. Regarding Appeals for "Missed the scoring area" and "Blocked Techniques"

For "Missed the scoring area" or "Blocked Techniques", both Referee and Judge shall use the conventional gestures designated for each case.

Based on the above-mentioned regulations, the supporting actions of the referee and judges will be as follows.

(1) Decisions will be made according to the majority rule (in case of a tie, according to Referee's decision will prevail.).

(2) In case of a tie, the following procedures shall apply.

- If no point is awarded, after Referee perform the "TORIMASEN", Judges who signaled for a score shall simultaneously lower their flags.
- If points are awarded, when Referee shall perform the appropriate scoring gesture YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON as used in the two-judge system, Judges who signaled against the point shall simultaneously lower their flags.

Case 1

Two or more Judges signal a score for AO, so the Referee calls "YAME".

When the referee judges that something is 'missed the scoring arear'.

(1) Case1-1

1) Referee: Gesture of AO is "missed the scoring area".

2) Judge: Only one Judge does not change his/her mind.

(In the case of consensus, take back his/her flag)

3) Referee: "Gesture of TORIMASEN" = The Judge who signaled a score shall take back his/her flag at the same time.

4) Referee calls: "TSUZUKETE HAJIME".

Referee
Call
"YAME"



1) AO is missed



2)take back
his/her flag



3) "TORIMASEN"



(2) Case1-2

- 1) Referee: Gesture of AO is "missed the scoring area".
- 2) Judge: Two or more Judges maintain their decision.
- 3) Referee calls "AO, [target area: Jodan or Chudan], [technique: Tsuki, Uchi, or Keri]," followed by the declaration of the appropriate score: Yuko, Waza-ari, or Ippon.

Case 2

Two or more Judges signal a score for AO, prompting the Referee calls "YAME". At the same time, one or more other Judges indicate that the technique "missed the scoring area".

When the referee judges that the technique missed the scoring area.

(1) Case2-1

- 1) Referee makes the "missed the scoring area" gesture for AO."
 - 2) Judge: Two or fewer Judges do not change their decision.
- (In the case of consensus, the Judge withdraws the flag)

Referee-led decision (Two Judges score AO, two indicate "missed the scoring area" (including the Referee))

- 3) Upon the Referee's "TORIMASEN" gesture, all Judges who indicated a score must withdraw their flags at the same time.

- 4) Referee calls: "TSUZUKETE HAJIME".



(2) Case2-2

- 1) The Referee gives the "missed the scoring area" gesture for AO.
- 2) Three Judges maintain their blue flag decision. One Judge gives the "missed" gesture.
(AO scores 3, "missed the scoring area" 2, including Referee)
- 3) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON).

Case 3

Referee calls “YAME” as two or more Judges signal a score for AO; the other Judges indicate “missed the scoring area” with a gesture.

(1) Case3-1

When the Referee judges that the technique missed the scoring area.

1) Referee gives the "missed the scoring area" gesture for AO.

(Two Judges signal AO; three indicate “missed the scoring area”, including the Referee)

2) The decision shall be made in accordance with Case2-1.

(2) Case3-2

The Referee judges that the technique was correctly executed

1) When the Referee gives a scoring gesture for AO, the Judges who had indicated against the point shall simultaneously withdraw their flags.

2) Judge: Two Judges do not withdraw their flags.

(The Referee perform scoring gestures in the two judges system.)

(Three Judges, including the Referee, score for AO; two Judges indicate “missed the scoring area”.)

3) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON).

Case 4

When two or more Judges signal a score for AO, the Referee calls “YAME” to stop the match.

When the referee judges that something is "technique was blocked."

(1) Case4-1

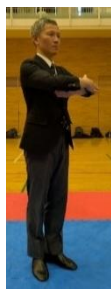
1) The Referee gives the gesture indicating that AO's technique was blocked.

2) Only one Judge maintains the original decision.

3) Upon the Referee's "TORIMASEN" gesture, all Judges who indicated a score must withdraw their flags at the same time.

4) Referee calls: “TSUZUKETE HAJIME”.

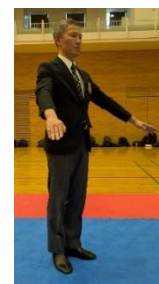
Referee
Call
"YAME"



1) AO is technique was blocked



2) take back his/her flag



3) "TORIMASEN"

(2) Case4-2

- 1) The Referee gives the gesture indicating that AO's technique was blocked.
- 2) Two Judges maintain their decision, while the Referee gives the "blocked" gesture.
(Two Judges signal a score for AO, while the Referee gives the "blocked" gesture)
- 3) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON).

Case 5

When two or more Judges signal a score for AO, the Referee calls "YAME". One Judge gives the gesture indicating that the technique was blocked.

When the referee judges that the technique was blocked.

(1) Case5-1

- 1) The Referee gives the gesture indicating that AO's technique was blocked.
- 2) Two or fewer Judges maintain their decision.
Referee-led decision (Two Judges score for AO; two indicate "missed the scoring area," including the Referee)
- 3) Upon the Referee's "TORIMASEN" gesture, all Judges who indicated a score must withdraw their flags at the same time.
- 4) Referee calls: "TSUZUKETE HAJIME".



Judge appeal signal a score for AO



Judge appeal "blocked"



1) AO is technique was blocked



2) take back his/her flag



3) "TORIMASEN"



(2) Case5-2

- 1) The Referee gives the gesture indicating that AO's technique was blocked.
- 2) Three Judges signal a score for AO; two indicate "blocked," including the Referee.
(Three Judges score for AO; two indicate "blocked," including the Referee.)
- 3) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON).

Case 6

When two or more Judges signal a score for AO, the Referee calls "YAME". The other two Judges give the gesture that the technique was blocked.

(1) Case6-1

When the Referee judges that the technique was blocked.

- 1) The Referee gives the gesture indicating that AO's technique was blocked.
- 2) Two Judges maintain their decision, while the other two indicate "blocked" and Referee gives the "block" gesture.

(Two Judges score for AO; three indicate "blocked," including the Referee.)

- 3) Upon the Referee's "TORIMASEN" gesture, all Judges who indicated a score must withdraw their flags at the same time.

- 4) Referee calls: "TSUZUKETE HAJIME".

(2) Case6-2

When the Referee judges that the technique was correctly executed.

- 1) When the Referee gives the scoring gesture for AO, the Judges who had indicated against the point shall simultaneously withdraw their flags.

(Three Judges, including the Referee, score for AO; two Judges indicate that the technique was blocked.)

- 3) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON)"

Case 7

In the case of the Judges signal both the "scoring gesture" and the "missing the score area gesture" (hereinafter referred to as "D.G.")

Two Judges signal a score for AKA, so the Referee calls "YAME". The other two Judges give the "missed the scoring area" gesture, and one of them also signals a score for AO as part of a "D.G."

(1) Case7-1

When the referee judges that the technique missed the scoring area.

- 1) The Referee gives the "missed the scoring area" gesture for AKA.
- 2) Next, the Referee gives a scoring gesture for AO, and the Judges who had indicated against the point shall simultaneously withdraw their flags.
- 3) Two Judges maintain their red flags.

(AO scores:2(including Referee), "Missed the scoring area":3(including Referee); AKA scores: 2)

- 4) Referee calls "AO", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON)"



The Judge makes a double gesture (D.G.): awarding a score to AO and indicating that AKA missed the scoring area..

Referee call
"YAME"



1) AKA missed the scoring area.

Make the scoring gestures for the two-judge system.

2) Scoring gesture for AO

Referee calls "AO, the area attacked, the technique, and the relevant score.

(2) Case7-2

When the Referee judges that the technique was correctly executed.

- 1) Referee calls "AKA", followed by the area attacked (JODAN or CHUDAN), the technique used (TSUKI, UCHI or KERI), and then awards the relevant score (YUKO, WAZA-ARI or IPPON)"