

ST MARTINS KARATE GROUP

Codes of Conduct

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Organisation	St Martins Karate Group
Clubs covered	St Martins Junior Karate Club and St Martins Karate Carnforth
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1. Purpose, scope and status

attendance, volunteering or holding a workforce role. Serious or repeated breaches may result in restrictions, suspension, exclusion or referral to relevant organisations or statutory agencies.

2. Members Code of Conduct

- Treat everyone with respect and follow safety instructions promptly.
- Use karate techniques with control and only in authorised activity or genuine self-defence.
- Report injuries, worries, unsafe practice, bullying or safeguarding concerns.
- Remain in the training area unless given permission to leave.
- Do not go onto the stage; at Slyne with Hest Memorial Hall it is reserved for parents and carers watching.
- Do not enter or use a venue kitchen without permission and appropriate supervision from an instructor or authorised responsible adult.
- Look after equipment and venue property and follow all photography, online and communication rules.

3. Child-friendly Member Code

- I will listen, be kind, use control and stop when asked.
- I will tell a trusted adult if I am hurt, worried or something does not feel right.
- I will stay in the training area unless an instructor says I may leave.
- I will not go onto the stage.

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I will not go into the kitchen unless a responsible adult gives permission and supervises me.

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I will try my best and ask for help when I need it.

4. Parents and Carers Code of Conduct

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Make suitable arrangements for their child to travel to and from training, including providing prior written permission where their child is allowed to leave independently.

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Follow venue and instructor directions and remain outside the training area unless invited or required for an agreed support arrangement.

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At Slyne with Hest Memorial Hall, watch from the stage wherever reasonably possible, rather than beside the training area.

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At other venues, use the spectator area identified by instructors.

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Do not coach, criticise, call instructions, correct techniques or otherwise interfere with lessons.

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Help ensure children do not enter the stage area or any kitchen; kitchen access requires permission and appropriate adult supervision.

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Raise concerns privately and never confront or discipline another child.

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Respect privacy, photography, safeguarding and communication rules.

5. Workforce Code of Conduct

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Place participant safety, welfare and dignity before performance or personal interests.

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Maintain professional boundaries and follow safeguarding, safe-practice and risk-assessment requirements.

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Keep participants out of restricted venue areas, including stages and kitchens, unless a documented activity, permission and appropriate supervision make access necessary.

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Keep spectators in designated viewing areas and address coaching, interference or unsafe proximity to the training area promptly and respectfully.

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Report and record concerns, incidents and significant breaches through the appropriate procedure.

6. Breaches and review

The Group will respond proportionately, taking account of seriousness, age, understanding, previous conduct, risk and safeguarding needs. These Codes will be reviewed at least every three years and earlier after a significant incident, identified weakness or change in arrangements.

Document control

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