

Dear Athletes, Instructors, Coaches and KICK Supporters,

In order to provide the best possible experience for everyone, we are excited to introduce some exciting new improvements for this season. This sheet gives you the immediate changes. We will be testing some other new procedures in scoring in today's event and will finalize them by The January 2015 All Region Tournament. Your feed back is greatly appreciated!!

**Sincerely,
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KICK USA RULE MODIFICATIONS 2014-2015 SEASON

This is the First Event in Florida to start the 2014/15 KICK Season of Champions. In order to continually provide you with the Best Martial Arts competition and experience, we are proud to announce the following improvements for this season.

All Events in both Regions count for National Point Rankings:

If you are looking for more competition and the coveted National Championship Title, all events will count towards National Rankings. National Champions will receive a National Championship Ring.

For Safety: Chest Protectors are now Required and No Ringstar Type shoes, all foam Dipped Gear:

To ensure the safety of our athletes and for accurate scoring, Chest Protectors are now mandatory in all fighting divisions. We will no longer allow Ringstar Type Sparring shoes due to safety precautions.

All Ties in Weapons and Forms will be broken by a show of flags.

New Continuous Sparring Format:

There is one 90 second round with each coach allowed (1) 10 second time out

Modifications Warnings & Penalties:

Point Sparring

- 1st - point to other fighter
- 2nd - point to other fighter
- 3rd - disqualification

Continuous Sparring

- 1st - Verbal Warning
- 2nd - Loss of Match

In all sparring divisions, bowing out in the first round is a disqualification from the division.

Referee may escalate the warnings at anytime due to Unsportsmanlike behavior which will result in an immediate disqualification.

New Age/Experience Splits

- 6/7 Beginner & 6/7 Intermediates/Advanced
- 8/9 Beginner, 8/9 Intermediate, 8/9 Advanced/Black Belt