



SWKKF CLUB STARTUP INITIATIVE

Thinking of starting a dojo? TOUGH DECISION! But this could be one of the most rewarding experiences of your karate life. Before you begin, please check the following:

<input type="checkbox"/>	HAVE YOU DISCUSSED WITH YOUR SENSEI? Ask your sensei. They will help guide you.
<input type="checkbox"/>	DO YOU HAVETHE ABILITY? Assuming you asked your sensei and they said yes, you have your first hint. In the end, it comes down to you, look deep and decide if you can do it. Keep in mind, your rank does not define how well you can instruct or run a dojo!
<input type="checkbox"/>	DO YOU HAVE A LOCATION? Depending on where you are, there are options. Some suggestions are schools, community centers, and dance studios - BE CREATIVE!
<input type="checkbox"/>	DO YOU HAVE STUDENTS, ORTHE POTENTIAL FOR STUDENTS? In order for a dojo to exist, you need students. If there is a need in your community, and dojo offers good instruction (and is well run), it will succeed! DO NOT take students from your present club, or other existing SWKKF clubs in your area. As a guideline, tell your fellow students they should not join your club for six months, and then only with permission of their sensei.
<input type="checkbox"/>	DO YOU HAVE A SUPPORT SYSTEM? Clubs succeed when they have the support of their sensei and other karateka.
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAN YOU AFFORD IT? This depends on your location. Keep in mind, you have to run like a business; even if for non-profit, offering karate as community service, etc. Should you require assistance, please proceed to SECTION 2.

THE SWKKF OFFERS A RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE INTENT IS HELP IN THE FIRST YEAR TO GET IT OFF THE GROUND!

SECTION 2 - MINIMUM CRITERIA

The SWKKF offers a one-time initiative startup for those who require financial assistance. Eligibility of the program:

- Must be of the rank of Shodan or up, or under the direction of a DAN ranking sponsor
- Must be registered within the SWKKF for a minimum of 3 consecutive years
- Must have the recommendation of their Sensei
- Must be a new dojo (not an existing dojo or a dojo rename or move)
- Limited to a one lifetime subscription
- Limited to a maximum of \$1000

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

The intent is to assist with rental for the first year only.

- Rental information for your location is sent to Sensei Denis Labbé.
- ALL SWKKF are required to be registered each calendar year. Your student numbers are to be sent to Sensei Denis Labbé.
- Financial obligations of the students – to be discussed with Sensei Denis Labbé.
- Monitored monthly for one year

EXAMPLE OF PROGRAM

Dojo location rent JANUARY	\$300
Student dues	\$20 per month
Number of students registered in JANUARY	10
Total income for JANUARY	\$200
SWKKF DOJO STARUP CONTRIBUTION JANUARY	\$100

Dojo location rent APRIL	\$300
Student dues	\$20 per month
Number of students registered in APRIL	16
Total income for APRIL	\$320
SWKKF DOJO STARUP CONTRIBUTION APRIL	\$0

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

RENTALS REQUIRE INSURANCE, HOW DO I OBTAIN THIS?

As a club head, the SWKKF has insurance to assist. Contact Sensei Denis Labbé for assistance. For insurance purposes, each student must be registered with the SWKKF.

HOW DO I REGISTER MY STUDENTS IN THE SWKKF?

In September of each calendar year you will receive registration paperwork. Each registered student will receive a passbook and entry to the SWKKF.

HOW DO I ORDER EQUIPMENT, GI'S BELTS, ETC?

The SWKFF has a program called CENTRALPURCHASIN G. Club heads can order gi's, belts, kyu belt certificates, etc. at competitive prices!

HOW DO I HAVE MY CLUB LISTED ON THE SWKKF WEBSITE?

All registered clubs are permitted to be on the club section of the SWKKF website. Contact Sensei Denis for more information on this.