



Ataru Shotokan Karate Club

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Application for Club Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

Landline & Mobile Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male/Female: _____

Next of Kin & Contact Number: _____

Please Note:

ALL APPLICANTS WHO KNOWINGLY HAVE A CONDITION WHICH IS LIKELY TO PLACE THEM, OR OTHER MEMBERS AT RISK MUST FULLY DISCLOSE SUCH INFORMATION BEFORE MEMBERSHIP IS ACCEPTED. SUCH APPLICANTS MAY BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A DOCTOR'S LETTER CLEARLY STATING THEIR ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE. ANY SUBSEQUENT PROBLEM ARISING FROM SUCH A CONDITION REMAINS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT / MEMBER WITH NO LIABILITY FALLING TO THE ATARU SHOTOKAN KARATE CLUB, ITS MEMBERS &/OR INSTRUCTORS.

Karate is by its nature a very physically demanding sport

Member Disclaimer:

"I agree not to hold any Club Member / Instructor liable to legal / civil action as a result of possible injury/medical condition howsoever caused, during a training/demonstration session.

I agree to abide by any Club Rules (as overleaf) and if broken, I may be liable to disciplinary action by the Club and/or its Instructors."

Signed by Applicant: Date:

Witnessed (if under 16): Date:

Fees: £20 (1 Year Single Membership) £50 (Lifetime Single Gold Membership)
£35 (1 Year Family Membership) £90 (Lifetime Family Gold Membership)

All fees due with this application. Delete as required.

1 Year Single Membership renewals are due on KUGB licence expiry date.

Signed for Club: Date:

Ataru Shotokan Karate Club Rules

The Ataru Shotokan Karate Club – (hereafter known as “the club”) is affiliated to the Governing Body that is the Karate Union of Great Britain (“KUGB”) and as such all members of the club agree to comply with the rules as laid down by the KUGB.

All club members agree to abide by the verbal instructions of the club’s Teachers / Sensei and/or senior instructing grades.

All practicing club members must hold a current licence issued by the KUGB for insurance and record purposes and agree to the rules as outlined in the licence book. Beginners should hold their 1st KUGB licence after 4 weeks of commencing

All practicing club members must have completed an application to formally join the club – as overleaf – within 4 weeks of starting to practice at an Ataru Dojo (Training Hall).

Family Members are 2 or more people of the same Immediate Family – not cousins etc.

Members who hold a ‘1 Year Single/Family Membership’ card must pay the Club Membership Fee each year due on application for your annual KUGB licence.

Members who hold a ‘Single/Family Gold Membership’ are not required to pay a yearly Club Membership Fee.

All Ataru Members are welcome to train at any Ataru Club venue.

Any members achieving the grade of 1st Dan who wish to teach should be Criminal Records Bureau checked through the KUGB, or similar process.

Club Etiquette:

- i Members should wear appropriate dress for the purpose of training. A white Gi (suit) is the preferred option. Coloured/Black Gis are not allowed unless specifically instructed by a sensei.
- ii Members must not wear jewellery during a class, or should have rings and other non-removable items covered with medical tape.
- iii Long hair should be tied up/back to avoid injury.
- iv Any medical conditions that may affect any member during training should be notified before a training session starts.
- v Members should wear a belt of only the colour that they have been graded to as per the KUGB, or similar licence record book – unless specifically instructed by a sensei.
- vi Training in bare feet is the usual requirement, unless specifically instructed by a Sensei (teacher), or advised by a Doctor.
- vii The wearing of chest/groin protectors and gum shields is not compulsory at a training session, but highly recommended if participating in Kumite (fighting techniques) - especially at gradings/competitions which may have their own rules taking precedent over these rules.
- viii Members must Rai (bow): on entering/leaving the Dojo (traininghall), before/after a session, on meeting a senior grade, before/after Kata (set form) and to an opponent in Kumite, in response to an instructor. The bow should be accompanied by the verbal “Oss” acknowledgement.
- ix Sensei should be verbally addressed only as such, or including their name followed by *sensei*. You may confirm an instruction by saying “*Hai Sensei*” (yes teacher)
- x Talking, laughing and fooling about in the Dojo is considered highly disrespectful and may be dangerous Members may be asked to leave the class if they cannot conduct themselves in the appropriate manor.

Members who wish to take a grading should follow the KUGB rules as laid out in their licence.

The above rules are not exhaustive and may be amended at any time.