

## Constitution of the USA Karate Foundation

(Adopted January 7, 1995)

The name of said Corporation shall be the USA Karate Foundation

City of Stow, County of Summit, Ohio.

The purposes for which said Corporation is formed are: The USA Karate Foundation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for educational, cultural and charitable purposes relating to the sport of Karate in the United States and abroad; in particular to carry out the purely educational, cultural, and charitable activities of The USA Karate Federation. The educational, cultural, and charitable activities of the Corporation will relate principally to the sport of Karate and will include public educational and instructional programs involving research, publications, clinics, tournaments, the establishment of scholarships, the development of international cultural exchange programs and the training and certification of Karate instructors and the training of top Karate competitors. In pursuit of such purposes the Corporation shall: a) sponsor the National Karate Institute College of Sports Science, a degree granting institution of higher learning incorporated within the auspices of the USA Karate Foundation and certified by the USA Karate Federation, b) sponsor research programs, c) establish and maintain reference libraries, training institutions, and museums, d) publish and distribute textbooks and other aids to Karate education, e) award scholarships and grants-in-aid for Karate research and education f) cooperate with other sports organizations in all matters pertaining to Karate, g) plan, organize and implement international Karate exchange programs, h) solicit funds from the general public, Corporations and organizations in support of international karate exchange programs and other activities of the Corporation, and I) organize and promote nationwide instructional programs.

### Article IV - Prohibited Activities.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, Trustees, officers, other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a Corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### Article VI -- Board of Trustees

**Duties and Powers.** The Board of Trustees shall be responsible for the control and management of the business affairs of the Corporation, and may exercise all powers of the Corporation, including the establishment of all programs, policies and operating procedures of the Corporation. No trustee shall receive a salary or other compensation for services rendered as a trustee but may receive reasonable expenses on behalf of the Corporation. The following persons, shall serve the Corporation as Trustees until the first annual meeting or other meeting called to elect Trustees:

George E. Anderson	3161 Tower Hill	Akron, Ohio 44319
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### **Article XI - Contributions and Payments**

All contributions and other payments to the Corporation shall be made directly to the principle office of the Corporation or to such other office or place as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

### **Article XIII - Regulations Pertaining to Chapters of the USA Karate Foundation.**

Chapters of the USA Karate Foundation may be organized and approved under regulations published by the Secretary and approved by the Board of Trustees. Chapters will be required to make the annual payment required by the Board of Trustees to maintain their status.

### **Article VIX - The USA Karate Foundation College of Sports Science**

There shall be a USA Karate Foundation College of Sports Science which shall be governed by its own Graduate Council and Officers. The President shall appoint, or approve the appointment of, the dean, registrar, academic senate, and other necessary officers of the College of Sports Science, which shall have the purpose of encouraging original research in the field of Judo sports science, and the granting of degrees in sports science at all levels. The policies of the College of Sports Science shall be reviewed yearly by the President, who shall render a yearly report to the Board of Trustees concerning the activities of the college of Sports Science.