



Procedures for refereeing Kumite with only two corner Judges

1. The judges will be placed in the corners in front of the central Referee (positions 2 and 3).
2. The Coaches should be placed in front of the Referee and not behind.
3. In order to be able to cover all three angles of view, the Referee should never position him/herself in the same side as the two Judges.
4. The Referee can show and ask support for points that are made in his/her field of play. In this case the Referee's signals for Yuko, Waza-ari and Ippon are the same as in the rules, with the exception that the Referee's elbow is touching his/her torso while indicating the respective signal. After the Referee has received support, the signals when giving points are the same as in the rule book.
5. For giving points, warning or penalties the Referee only needs the support of one of the Judges.
6. If the two Judges or one Judge and the Referee show different points or warnings for the same competitors, the lower will be giving.
7. Since skin touch is prohibited in children, Cadet and Junior competitions, the Judges are able to show all four Cat.1 offenses in order to assist the Referee. Furthermore, the Judges will also show Jogai and points made by the competitors.
8. All Cat.2 offenses are the duty of the Referee to observe and ask for support from the Judges with the exception of Jogai that can be show by both the Judges and the Referee.
9. If one Judge signals for point and the other for warning or penalty, the Referee will take the final decision by supporting one of the Judges.
10. In case there is only one Judge showing his/her opinion and the Referee ask for a different opinion but the Judge doesn't change his/her opinion, the Referee will restart the match without giving any points, warnings or penalties.
11. The Referee can't go against the opinion of both Judges showing the same signal. It's only in case of skin touch or a Cat.2 offense that the Referee can ask the Judges to reconsider and change their opinion.
12. If during the bout in progress, only one Judge signals and the Referee doesn't agree with the signal, the Referee doesn't have to stop the bout.
13. If both Judges signal point but for different competitor, the Referee will award both points.