



UNION KARATE DO WEAPONS POLICY

Union Karate Do aim to provide a safe and educational way to train with all traditional weapons in self-defence, combinations, drills, and kata. In accordance with guidelines, we are permitted to train with weapons by law for martial arts practice and demonstration, a lawful exception to the Offensive Weapons Act 2019 under section 139(1) of the Criminal Justice Act 1988

INSTRUCTORS

Union Karate Do aim to meet our own set criteria for the welfare of our students to use our weapons safely.

- **All our weapons are always kept in a safe secure location.**
- **We ensure our instructors always have the most up to date training in ALL weapons**
- **All our instructors correctly monitor that all students are using the weapons correctly and safely. We also ensure adequate space is maintained with our weapons training.**
- **All weapons are checked for defects or malfunctions and go through inspections regularly before and after use. Any defects will be replaced or repaired.**
- **A regular stock check and inspection of all weapons to ensure none go missing and ensure the safety of our students. Any missing weapons will be reported to the authorities.**
- **We ensure that the weapons are used for demonstration and martial arts purposes only in a safe environment.**

STUDENTS



The stipulated criteria must be met by students to use our weapons. A student will not be able to use or practice with the weapons until factors considered by the instructor are met such as:

- **Character of student whilst training with the weapon (discipline, respect, and behaviour)**
 - **Grade and experience of the student's martial arts training.**
- **The student is only to use the weapons for demonstration and martial arts purposes only.**
- **Any misuse of the weapons the student will no longer to be able to continue using the weapons during the session and depending on the seriousness of the misuse may face exclusion from the club.**



UNION KARATE DO WEAPONS INSPECTION AND CHECKLIST

This is the quantity of each weapon that Union Karate Do owns and the dates that each piece of equipment has had its last safety inspection are listed below.

Weapon	Image	Quantity	Last Inspected
Plastic Katana		60	21/02/2024
Wooden Bo Staff		30	21/02/2024
Foam Bo Staff		20	17/02/2024
Sai		4	27/01/2024
Wooden Tonfa		67	12/02/2024
Rubber Ninja Stars		36	20/02/2024
Nun Chucks		7	12/02/2024
Kama		4	12/02/2024
Rubber Knives		31	12/02/2024
Escrima Sticks		2	27/01/2024
Rubber Gun		1	10/02/2024

All **262** of our weapons are kept in a locked secure location, if you have any concerns regarding the safety of our weapons or our policy, please contact the club [07736 936 738](tel:07736936738).

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