

United Kajukenbo Federation



BYLAWS

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Bylaws

ARTICLE I

ORGANIZATION

Section1: ORGANIZATION NAME

The name of this organization is the UNITED KAJUKENBO FEDERATION (Hereafter referred to as the "UKF").

Section 2: ORGANIZATION ADDRESS

The address of the UKF is 114 Walker Street, Gardnerville, Nevada 89410.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE OF THE UKF

Section 1: MISSION

The mission of the UKF is to provide leadership for Kajukenbo based organizations who strive to preserve and promote the Emperado Method of Kajukenbo as created by Adriano and Joseph Emperado.

Section 2: GOAL

The goal of the UKF is to promote Emperado Method Kajukenbo worldwide by providing Kajukenbo schools with a standardized curriculum for teaching and promoting Emperado Method Kajukenbo.

ARTICLE III

UKF MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

There are four (4) categories of membership within the UKF: Regular, Associate, Lifetime and Honorary.

A: A Regular Member is any person actively training in a recognized UKF Approved School.

B: An Associate Member is any person who is no longer actively training but has reached the level of black belt or above in a recognized UKF Approved School and elects to remain involved in promoting the mission and goals of the UKF.

C: A Lifetime Member is any person who has reached the level of 6th degree or above from a recognized UKF Approved School. Lifetime members may be appointed to board positions.

D: An Honorary Member is a designation bestowed by the Executive Council upon a person who has made an exceptional contribution to the UKF or a UKF Approved School. Honorary Members may not be appointed to board positions.

Section 2: MEMBERSHIP DEFINED

A: Persons actively training in a recognized UKF Approved School shall be considered a Regular Member and automatically receive membership in the UKF.

B: Persons who received the rank of black belt or higher from a recognized UKF Approved School but no longer actively train are considered an Associate Member and may be awarded membership in the UKF by a majority vote of the Executive Council.

C: Persons who have reached the rank of 6th degree or higher are considered Lifetime Members.

D: Persons who have made an exceptional contribution to the UKF or a UKF Approved School are eligible for Honorary Membership to be determined by a majority vote of the Executive Council.

Section 3: SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS

The UKF has three (3) school membership classifications to include Charter Member, UKF Approved School and UKF Certified Emperado Method School.

A: A Charter Member School is defined as one of the five original schools that joined together to form the UKF. Those schools are as follows:

- ❖ Powell's Mixed Martial Arts Academy
- ❖ Peterson's Mixed Martial Arts Academy
- ❖ Rocky Mountain Kajukenbo
- ❖ Melas Martial Arts
- ❖ Lucero's Mixed Martial Arts Academy

B: A UKF Approved School is defined as a school approved by the Executive Council to join the UKF. Those schools are as follows:

- ❖ Powell's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Peterson's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Rocky Mountain Kajukenbo (2017)
- ❖ Melas Martial Arts (2017)
- ❖ Lucero's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Kajukenbo KSDI Valencia (2017)
- ❖ Seronio's IslandBred Martial Arts (2017)
- ❖ Kokua Martial Arts Fitness Academy (2018)
- ❖ Kelley's Kajukenbo (2021)

C: A UKF Certified Emperado Method School is defined as a school that teaches the entire Emperado Method curriculum and uses that curriculum for promotions as directed by the UKF bylaws. Those schools are as follows:

- ❖ Powell's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Peterson's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Rocky Mountain Kajukenbo (2017)
- ❖ Melas Martial Arts (2017)
- ❖ Lucero's Mixed Martial Arts Academy (2017)
- ❖ Kokua Martial Arts Fitness Academy (2020)
- ❖ Kelly's Kajukenbo (2021)

Section 4: SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL

A: Only the five original schools shall be considered a Charter Member school.

B: Kajukenbo schools interested in becoming a UKF Approved School may submit a request to any Executive Council member. Approval requires a majority vote of the Executive Council.

C: UKF Approved Schools may become a UKF Certified Emperado Method School by demonstrating the entire Emperado Method to any Executive Council member and agreeing to base promotions on the standards established by these bylaws.

Section 5: MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS

All members shall support and adhere to the policies and procedures set forth within these bylaws and participate in UKF functions and activities, when possible.

Section 6: MEMBERSHIP REGISTRY

A: The UKF shall maintain a registry of all UKF Approved Schools and their students who have reached the level of black belt or higher. The registry shall be maintained by the Chairman or

designee and shall contain the name of the school, student, date rank was received, and the name of the person who issued the rank.

B: Each school shall be responsible for providing the Executive Council with up-to-date information regarding students who have been promoted.

C: The UKF shall maintain a registry of all UKF Certified Emperado Method Schools. The registry shall be maintained by the Chairman or designee and shall include the name of the school, chief instructor, and the date certified.

Section 7: MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION

The Executive Council may review the eligibility status of any organization or member at any time, and if so appropriate, terminate membership with a majority vote.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership in the UKF does not require the payment of dues or fees at the present time.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS

Section 1: TYPES OF MEETINGS

The UKF has two (2) types of meetings to include an Executive Council Meeting and a Special Board Meeting.

A: An Executive Council Meeting is a meeting of the UKF's Executive Council.

B: A Special Board Meeting is a meeting called by an Executive Council Member to address any immediate concern that may cause harm to the UKF or its members.

Section 2: SCHEDULING MEETINGS

A: Executive Council Meetings may be scheduled by any council member, when needed.

B: A Special Board Meeting may be scheduled by any council member to address any immediate concern that may cause harm to the UKF or its members

Section 3: MEETING ATTENDANCE AND ESTABLISHING A QUORUM

A: Attendance at all meetings is mandatory for Executive Council members. When necessary, virtual attendance by Executive Council members is accepted.

B: A quorum for Executive Council Meetings is 3/5th of the Executive Council.

Section 4: VOTING ATTENDANCE

All eligible members may vote in person or by virtual attendance.

ARTICLE VI

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section 1: GOVERNMENT

A: The UKF shall be governed by an Executive Council who shall have the authority to make timely decisions on behalf of the UKF and its members.

B: All Executive Council decisions shall be made by majority vote.

Section 2: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL STRUCTURE

A: The Executive Council shall consist of the following positions:

- ❖ Chairman
- ❖ Vice Chairman
- ❖ Director
- ❖ Liaison

B: The Chairman position is an appointed position and shall be filled by co-founder Mitch Powell until he appoints a successor. It may only be filled by a member who holds the rank of 8th degree or higher.

C: The Vice Chairman position is an appointed position determined by the Chairman. It may only be filled by a member who holds the rank of 8th degree or higher.

D: The Director position is an appointed position determined by the Chairman. It may only be filled by a member who holds the rank of 7th degree or higher.

E: The Liaison position is an appointed position determined by the Chairman. It may only be filled by a member who holds the rank of 5th degree or higher and is a non-voting member of the council.

Section 3: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

A: The Executive Council Chairman shall be responsible for providing leadership and direction to the Executive Council and the UKF membership. The Chairman shall be responsible for the following:

- ❖ Preside over all meetings.
- ❖ Ensure all UKF bylaws and rules and regulations are adhered to and followed.
- ❖ Facilitate Executive Council discussions and the decision-making process.
- ❖ Ensure all Executive Council members perform their duties in an effective manner.
- ❖ Ensure appointments or future elections are held in accordance with UKF policies.
- ❖ Represent the UKF at functions whenever possible.
- ❖ Maintain a registry of all UKF Approved Schools and their black belts.
- ❖ Maintain a registry of all UKF Certified Emperado Method Schools

B: Once the position of Chairman becomes an elected position to be considered for Chairman the member must hold the rank of 8th degree or higher. The elected term for Chairman will be three years. He/she may be reelected Chairman after a break of one year or if there are no other candidates or any other eligible candidates at the time of the next election cycle.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL VICE CHAIRMAN

A: The Executive Council Vice Chairman shall assist the Chairman in all manners requested. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall act in his/her behalf during meetings and at gatherings. The Vice Chairman shall be responsible for the following:

- ❖ Attend all meetings.
- ❖ Ensure all UKF bylaws and rules and regulations are adhered to and followed.
- ❖ Work with the Chairman and Directors as needed to enhance the decision-making process.
- ❖ Provide prompt feedback when addressing council related matters.
- ❖ Represent the UKF at functions when reasonably possible.

B: Once the position of Vice Chairman becomes an elected position to be considered for Vice Chairman the member must hold the rank of 8th degree or higher. The elected term for Vice Chairman will be three years. He/she may be reelected Vice Chairman after a break of one year or if there are no other candidates or any other eligible candidates at the time of the election cycle.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DIRECTOR

A: The Executive Council Director shall be responsible for the following:

- ❖ Attend all meetings.
- ❖ Ensure all UKF bylaws and rules and regulations are adhered to and followed.
- ❖ Work with the Chairman and Vice Chairman as needed to enhance the decision-making process.
- ❖ Provide prompt feedback when addressing council related matters.
- ❖ Represent the UKF at functions when reasonably possible.

B: Once the position of Director becomes an elected position to be considered for Director the member shall hold the rank of 7th degree or higher. The term for a Director is three years. He/she may be re-elected Director following a break of one year or if there are no other candidates or any other eligible candidates.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL LIAISON

A: The Executive Council Liaison shall be responsible for the following:

- ❖ Provide representation for the UKF abroad.
- ❖ Ensure all UKF bylaws and rules and regulations are adhered to and followed.
- ❖ Provide prompt feedback when addressing council related matters.
- ❖ Represent the UKF at functions when reasonably possible.

B: The Chairman has the authority to appoint and/or remove a member from the Liaison position as needed to enhance the needs of the UKF abroad.

Section 4: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL POWERS AND AUTHORITY

A: The Executive Council shall operate under the UKF bylaws and operational procedures and always with the intent of promoting and maintaining the UKF's mission and goals.

B: The Executive Council shall maintain full authority over the UKF and determine its course of action in all decisions based upon majority rule.

ARTICLE VII

ELECTIONS

Section 1: CONDUCTING ELECTIONS

A: Once Executive Council positions become elected positions, elections shall be conducted in the following manner:

- ❖ The Chairman shall hold a general membership meeting every third year for elections.
- ❖ The meeting shall be held no later than November of the election year.

- ❖ Members may attend the meeting in person or through virtual means.
- ❖ Those eligible for nomination must meet the requirements established for the Executive Council positions.
- ❖ Those in physical attendance shall cast votes by secret ballot.
- ❖ Those in virtual attendance shall provide their vote to an assigned scribe who shall record the vote.
- ❖ The Chairman shall tally all votes to determine the winners.
- ❖ The newly elected Executive Council members shall assume their duties beginning the first day of January in the following year.

B: Once voting is implemented only Regular, Associate and Lifetime members shall be entitled to cast a vote or become a candidate.

C: No proxy votes shall be allowed.

D: A member may cast one vote only.

E: In the event of a tie vote for an Executive Council position the membership shall cast a second vote in an attempt to break the tie. If a second vote also results in a tie the Chairman shall determine the outcome.

Section 2: REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

A: The Chairman and/or Vice Chairman may be removed from office for cause by a majority vote of the Executive Council and a 2/3rds vote of the general membership.

B: A Director may be removed from office for cause by a majority vote of the Executive Council.

C: A Liaison may be removed from office by the Chairman of the Executive Council.

Section 3: FILLING VACANCIES

A: Whenever the Chairman is unable to attend to his/her duties and responsibilities the Vice Chairman shall serve as Chairman.

B: In the event the Chairman voluntarily resigns they shall possess the authority to appoint their successor. If the Chairman does not appoint a replacement the Executive Council shall have the authority to appoint a new Chairman to be confirmed by a majority vote of the Executive Council.

C: In the event the Chairman is removed from office the Executive Council shall have the authority to appoint a new Chairman to be confirmed by a majority vote of the Executive Council.

D: In the event the Vice Chairman voluntarily resigns or is removed from office the Chairman shall hold the authority to appoint a new Vice Chairman.

E: In the event a Director position becomes vacant the Chairman shall hold the authority to appoint a new Director to fill the position until the next scheduled election.

F: In the event a Liaison position becomes vacant the Chairman shall hold the authority to appoint a new Liaison to fill the position.

ARTICLE VIII

PROMOTIONS

Section 1: PROMOTIONS MADE BY UKF APPROVED SCHOOLS

A: Individual instructors shall have the authority to make all promotions of their own students. However, **for promotions to the rank of 8th degree or higher the instructor shall obtain consent from the Executive Council.** That requirement is to ensure the student possesses the necessary Emperado Method knowledge and meets all promotional requirements established within these bylaws.

B: From the rank of 1st degree through the rank of 7th degree the chief instructor shall remain at least one degree higher in rank than their students.

C: From the rank of 8th degree and higher the instructor and the student can share the same rank but the instructor shall remain at least one title higher.

- As an example, an instructor with the rank of 8th degree may receive permission from the Executive Council to promote their student to the rank of 8th degree, but the instructor must remain one title higher. If the instructor is a professor the highest title the student can receive is associate professor. If the instructor is a senior professor the highest the student can receive is professor, and so forth.

D: Individual instructors shall be responsible for providing belts and certificates for all promotions related to their students.

Section 2: PROMOTIONS MADE BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A: The Executive Council shall have the authority to promote the chief instructor of any UKF Approved School to a rank the Executive Council feels best meets that individual instructor's training, knowledge and experience level.

B: The Executive Council shall provide promotional certificates for all promotions made by the UKF.

C: A representative of the Executive Council shall present belts to individuals promoted by the UKF; however, the person being promoted shall be responsible for providing the belt.

Section 3: TIME REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN BLACK BELT AND RANK ADVANCEMENT

In order to advance through the UKF ranking system there is a minimum time requirement for each rank as follows:

RANK	TIME
From Black Belt to 1 st Degree	Minimum 1 year
From 1 st Degree to 2 nd Degree	Minimum 2 Years
From 2 nd Degree to 3 rd Degree	Minimum 2 years
From 3 rd Degree to 4 th Degree	Minimum 2 Years
From 4 th Degree to 5 th Degree	Minimum 3 Years
From 5 th Degree to 6 th Degree	Minimum 3 years
From 6 th Degree to 7 th Degree	Minimum 3 years
From 7 th Degree to 8 th Degree Associate Professor	Minimum 2 years
From 8 th Degree Associate Professor to Professor	Minimum 2 years
From 8 th Degree Professor to Senior Professor	Minimum 2 years
From 8 th Degree Senior Professor to 9 th Degree Associate Grandmaster	Minimum 3 years
From 9 th Degree Associate Grandmaster to Grandmaster	Minimum 3 years
From 9 th Degree Grandmaster to Senior Grandmaster	Minimum 7 years

Section 4: TIME REQUIREMENT FROM BLACK BELT FOR RANK ADVANCEMENT

In addition to a time requirement to promote from one rank to another the UKF also has a time requirement from the date a student receives a black belt until they are eligible for rank advancement as follows:

RANK	TIME FROM BLACK BELT
From Black Belt to 1 st Degree	Minimum 1 year
From Black Belt to 2 nd Degree	Minimum 3 Years
From Black Belt to 3 rd Degree	Minimum 5 years
From Black Belt to 4 th Degree	Minimum 7 Years
From Black Belt to 5 th Degree	Minimum 10 Years
From Black Belt to 6 th Degree	Minimum 13 years
From Black Belt to 7 th Degree	Minimum 16 years
From Black Belt to 8 th Degree Associate Professor	Minimum 18 years
From Black Belt to 8 th Degree Professor	Minimum 20 years
From Black Belt to 8 th Degree Senior Professor	Minimum 22 years
From Black Belt to 9 th Degree Associate Grandmaster	Minimum 25 years

From Black Belt to 9 th Degree Grandmaster	Minimum 28 years
From Black Belt to 9 th Degree Senior Grandmaster	Minimum 35 years
From Black Belt to Great Grandmaster	Minimum 55 years

Section 5: PROMOTIONAL AGE REQUIREMENTS

To maintain the integrity of the UKF the organization requires a minimum age for advancement to the ranks of 8th degree and higher. Those requirements are as follows:

RANK/TITLE	AGE REQUIREMENT
8 th DEGREE ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Minimum age is 43 years old
8 TH DEGREE PROFESSOR	Minimum age is 45 years old
8 TH DEGREE SENIOR PROFESSOR	Minimum age is 50 years old
9 TH DEGREE ASSOCIATE GRANDMASTER	Minimum age is 52 years old
9 TH DEGREE GRANDMASTER	Minimum age is 55 years old
9 TH DEGREE SENIOR GRANDMASTER	Minimum age is 62 years old
9 TH DEGREE GREAT GRANDMASTER	Minimum age is 80 years old

Section 6: PROMOTIONAL TITLES

All UKF Approved Schools shall use the following titles for black belt and higher:

RANK	TITLE USED
Black Belt through 2 nd Degree	SIBAK for men/SISUK for women
3 rd through 5 th Degree	Sifu
6 th Degree	Associate Sigung
7 th Degree	Sigung
8 th Degree	Associate Professor/Professor/Senior Professor
9 th Degree	Associate Grandmaster/Grandmaster/Senior Grandmaster

Section 7: PROMOTIONAL METHOD

A: All UKF Approved Schools shall base promotions on the Emperado Method of Kajukenbo as created by Adriano Emperado and Joe Emperado, creators of the Emperado Method of Kajukenbo.

B: The approved Emperado Method of Kajukenbo contains the following requirements:

- ❖ 14 Palama Sets
- ❖ 15 Grab Counters

- ❖ 21 Punch Counters
- ❖ 15 Knife Counters
- ❖ 13 Club Counters
- ❖ 8 Two-Man Counters
- ❖ 6 Three-Man Counters
- ❖ Alphabet Techniques A - Z (Also called Advanced Punch Counters)

C: All UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools shall teach the Emperado Method as approved by the Executive Council.

D: UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools may add additional material to their curriculum for training and promotional purposes; however, they shall teach that in addition to the approved Emperado Method curriculum.

E: UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools may submit a request to the Executive Council to make modifications to the Emperado Method curriculum used by their school. All modification requests shall be considered by the Executive Council with a reply submitted to approve or deny the request. Modification approval requires a majority vote of the Executive Council. If the Executive Council denies the modification request a reason for the denial shall be submitted along with the denial. Keep in mind, the goal of the UKF is to standardize the Emperado Method, so approval to make modifications to the Emperado Method curriculum will be limited.

Section 8: APPROVED PROMOTIONAL CURRICULUM

A: The Executive Council shall approve the content of the Emperado Method curriculum used by UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools for testing and promotions. Any changes to the curriculum require a majority vote of the Executive Council.

B: The Executive Council shall provide all UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools with up-to-date Emperado Method testing and promotional requirements and curriculum.

Section 9: PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

A: Emperado Method promotional requirements Orange Belt through Black Belt:

ORANGE BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 1 & 2
- GRAB COUNTERS: 1 & 2
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 1 & 2

PURPLE BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 3 & 4
- GRAB COUNTERS: 3 & 4
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 3 & 4
- KNIFE COUNTER: 1
- CLUB COUNTER: 1

BLUE BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 5 - 7
- GRAB COUNTERS: 5 - 7
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 5 - 7
- KNIFE COUNTERS: 2 & 3
- CLUB COUNTERS: 2 & 3
- 2-MAN COUNTERS: 1 & 2

GREEN BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 8 - 10
- GRAB COUNTERS: 8 - 10
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 8 - 12
- KNIFE COUNTERS: 4 - 7
- CLUB COUNTERS: 4 - 7
- 2-MAN COUNTERS: 3 & 4
- 3-MAN COUNTERS: 1 & 2

BROWN BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 11 & 12
- GRAB COUNTERS: 11 & 12
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 13 - 16
- KNIFE COUNTERS: 8 - 11
- CLUB COUNTERS: 8 - 11
- 2-MAN COUNTERS: 5 & 6
- 3-MAN COUNTERS: 3 & 4
- ALPHABETS: A - C

BLACK BELT

- PALAMA SETS: 13 & 14
- GRAB COUNTERS: 13 - 15
- PUNCH COUNTERS: 17 - 21
- KNIFE COUNTERS: 12 - 15
- CLUB COUNTERS: 12 & 13
- 2-MAN COUNTERS: 7 & 8
- 3-MAN COUNTERS: 5 & 6
- ALPHABETS: D - F

B: Emperado Method promotional requirements 1st through 3rd Degree Black Belt:

1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

ALPHABETS: G - L

2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

ALPHABETS: M - R

3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

ALPHABETS: S - Z

C: UKF Approved and UKF Certified Schools may add stripes to belts or use half belts or additional belts in order to meet their curriculum needs, but the belt colors listed above and the requirements for those belts must be used when making a promotion to that belt level.

ARTICLE IX
COMMITTEES

Section 1: FORMING AND DISBANNING A COMMITTEE

A: The Executive Council may form a committee, when needed.

B: The Executive Council by majority vote shall have the authority to modify and/or terminate a committee or any of its members.

Section 2: COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

A: The Executive Council shall have full authority over all committees and their members.

B: The Executive Council shall have final approval on all events, guidelines and/or decisions made by any committee or its members.

ARTICLE X

FINANCES

Section 1: COLLECTION OF MONIES

At the present time the UKF does not collect any monies.

Section 2: FUTURE COLLECTION OF MONIES

In the event that the UKF begins to collect monies the organization will set up the appropriate collection, maintenance, and financial distribution system and appoint or elect a treasurer.

ARTICLE XI

DISSOLUTION OF THE FEDERATION

On dissolution of the UKF any funds remaining shall be distributed to one or more regularly organized and qualified charitable, educational, scientific, or philanthropic organizations to be selected by the Executive Council.

ARTICLE XII

BYLAWS

Section 1: AMENDING UKF BYLAWS

A: The UKF bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the Executive Council in which all Executive Council members have been adequately notified and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond.

B: Once a majority vote has been attained the Chairman is no longer required to wait for additional council votes.

C: Amendments approved by the Executive Council shall be incorporated into the bylaws by the Chairman or designee.

Section 2: NOTIFICATION OF AMENDED BYLAWS

A: The Chairman shall forward a revised copy of the bylaws to the Executive Council as soon as practical.

B: The Chairman shall forward a revised copy of the bylaws to the chief instructor of each UKF Approved School.

C: The Chairman shall maintain copies of the UKF bylaws and all revised versions for historical purposes.

ARTICLE XIII

UNITED KAJUKENBO FEDERATION LOGO

Section 1: APPROVED LOGO



Section 2: LOGO DESCRIPTION

The UKF's official LOGO is a black and white yin/yang symbol circled in red and enclosed with a gold colored octagon. It features green reeds crossed at the bottom with leafs that rise upward to a white three-leaf clover. Above the clover is the name Kajukenbo. On the left side of the logo there are two Chinese characters. On the right side of the logo there are also two Chinese characters. At the top of the logo are the words United Kajukenbo Federation. At the bottom of the logo are the words Emperado Method Kajukenbo.

Section 3: LOGO REPRESENTATION AND MEANING

The logo represents the Kajukenbo Coat of Arms designed by Kajukenbo Senior Grand Master Al Dacascos and Dr. Sun, a Professor of Chinese philosophy and science. It was approved for use in 1965 by Adriano Emperado, the co-founder of the Kajukenbo Style of Self Defense and the creator of the Emperado Method of Kajukenbo. In 1968, it was adopted by the Kajukenbo Association of America and is the most recognized symbol representing the martial art of Kajukenbo.

A: The yin/yang (black and white) represents the hard and soft and the opposites that exist in harmony.

B: The dots inside the yin and yang represent the hard that exists in some soft and the soft that exists in some hard. In the darkness there is some light and in the light there is some darkness.

C: The red circle around the yin/yang represents chi and the continuous flow from hard to soft and soft to hard.

D: The octagon (gold) represents the original eight pinan forms and the eight directions of attack and defense.

E: The green reeds represent a young school, organization, or student growing and striving for knowledge. The reeds on the right also represent the tiger and the ones on the left the dragon. Where the stems cross represents the two in unison. The leaves of the reeds represent the many systems that make up the martial arts. Their direction upward represents continuous growth.

F: The white clover represents Adriano Emperado, knowledge, and the cleanliness of the spirit, mind, and body.

G: The Chinese characters on the left of the logo mean “fist way” in English, kenpo in Japanese, and Ch’uan Fa in Chinese. The Chinese characters on the right of the logo mean skill or hard work as represented in the Chinese term kung fu.

H: The five colors of red, black, white, green, and gold represent the five original founders and the five arts that make up Kajukenbo (Karate, Jujitsu, Judo, Kenpo, and Boxing). The colors also represent the five basic systems that make up the Chinese arts: Hung, Li, Mo, Choy and Fut.

I: Green and gold were the original schools colors. Green represents young and strong. Gold represents richness and wisdom that comes with time.

J: The word *United* represents the UKF schools as they come together to forge an alliance.

K: The word *Kajukenbo* represents the Kajukenbo Style of Self Defense and the co-founders of Kajukenbo: Adriano Emperado, Joseph Holck, Peter Choo, Frank Ordonez, and George Chang. It also represents Joe Emperado, Aleju Reyes, Tony Ramos, Calvin Shin, Emil Bautista, and Joe Davis, who all played a role in handing down the art of Kajukenbo to the founders of the UKF.

L: The word *Federation* represents the late Tony Ramos, who created the Kajukenbo National Federation (KNF) and was UKF co-founder Mitch Powell’s first Kajukenbo teacher.

M: The words *Emperado Method Kajukenbo* represent Kajukenbo as taught by Adriano and Joe Emperado.

Section 4: LOGO USE AND MODIFICATION

A: Only members of the UKF may use the UKF logo.

B: No modifications shall be made to the logo without consent of the Executive Council.

C: Changes to this logo shall only be made through the amendment process as described in Article XII of these bylaws.

ARTICLE XIV

EMPERADO METHOD CERTIFICATION PATCH

Section 1: APPROVED PATCH



Section 2: PATCH DESCRIPTION

The Emperado Method patch is the first known “Clover” style patch used to represent the martial art of Kajukenbo and it first appeared in 1957. The patch has a black three-leaf clover on top of a red background and contains white writing with the words *Emperado-Method* on the top and *Kajukenbo* on the bottom. The word *karate* is written in red and placed in the middle of the clover.

Section 3: PATCH REPRESENTATION AND MEANING

The UKF has authorized its active members with the rank of black belt and above who have been certified in the Emperado Method to wear this patch on their uniform or jacket. This patch shall not be worn by any member who does not meet that standard.