



**Republic of Ireland Taekwon-Do Association  
(R.I.T.A.)**

# Members Policy

### **FULL MEMBER**

A Full Member shall be any person who has paid the appropriate Full annual fee and has a current licence and a current Full Membership card. The annual subscription shall be agreed by the Masters' Council.

### **HONORARY MEMBER**

A person may be granted an honorary membership on a majority vote of the Masters' Council.

### **BLACK BELT**

A Black Belt is a person who has passed the appropriate grading at 18 years of age or over. A Black Belt member above the age of 13 years may participate in the I.T.F. world championships if they are selected to do so by the National Coach. Such members must possess their own personal injury insurance and agree not to hold any member of the R.I.T.A. responsible for any injuries which they may incur.

A Junior Black Belt is a person who has passed the appropriate grading at under 18 years of age.

All R.I.T.A. members will become members of the I.T.F. by payment of the appropriate fees.

### **INSTRUCTOR**

An Instructor is a Black Belt aged 21 years or over who has passed the appropriate Instructor's Training Course. Under special circumstances the Masters' Council may make exceptions to this rule.

RITA instructors must be Garda Vetted, hold a child protection certificate, and hold a current 1<sup>st</sup> aid certificate.

Having passed the appropriate course an Instructor may wear the appropriate epaulettes relevant to the instructors qualifications.

All Instructors must possess Personal Indemnity Insurance.

An International Instructor is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree who has attended and passed a recognised ITF International Instructors Course (IIC). International Instructor qualifications are awarded by the ITF. International Instructors will wear a black stripe 3cm wide on the outside of the jacket sleeves and trousers (TKD Encyclopaedia Vol. 2 page 178).