**Shiai Rules**

* Individual Championships will be OPEN to any youth kenshi with AUSKF membership. Each individual is only eligible to participate in a single individuals division - Girls are allowed to compete in one of either the Girls Individual Division or Boys Individual Division
  + Time limit: 3 minutes with unlimited encho thereafter.
* Team Championships for both Boys and Girls divisions will consist of up to 2 teams per federation (to be decided by federation at the Championships). Each participant can only play in ONE team.
  + Team matches in the Boys Team Division will consist of 5 members selected from each age group as outlined above (see chart)
  + Team matches in the Girls Team Division will consist of 3 members with no age or rank restrictions (open to all girls)
  + Team matches in the Youth Team Division will consist of 3 members with age limit of 11 years and under (Boys or Girls)
  + Time Limit: 3 minutes
  + In case of daihyo-sen, match will be determined by ippon-shobu
* Tsuki is valid only for 16-18 year old age group in the Individual and Boys Team (Fukusho and Taisho) Championships. Jodan and Nito will only be allowed in the 16-18 year old age group for Boys Individual and Boys Team (Fukusho and Taisho) Championships.
* Taikai format (round robin, tournament brackets, etc.) will mirror the format of the 2015 U.S. Junior Open Championships – further details regarding the Individual and Team Championships will be announced at a later date depending on the number of participants
* All other rules will comply with standard rules and regulations set forth by the Federation of International Kendo (FIK).