



**BRITISH  
KARATE  
FEDERATION**

## **BKF Statement**

The British Karate Federation would like to welcome the EKNGB Ltd. as a member.

Please read below where we try to explain the past few months, where the English Karate Federation Ltd. has come into disrepute, untenable as the governing body in England.

The intention of this document is to provide the facts rather than the supposition that has been circulated recently regarding karate in England.

Readers are invited to verify the accuracy of the following content via the Companies House website or by contacting the liquidator.

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### **Facts:**

1. On 27th February 2025, EKF 2025 CIC was formed, company number 16280440, and renamed as EKF CIC on 12th June 2025 – albeit members were not informed.
2. On 7th March 2025, English Karate Federation Ltd, company number 06527769, was renamed to LCIAOC Ltd – again without a member's resolution or informing their members.
3. Companies House records state that on 19th May 2025, the following special resolution to change the company name was agreed and passed by the members:

"That the name of the company be changed to LCIAOC Ltd."

4. The English Karate Federation Ltd (EKF Ltd) Article 4.1.3.8 requires that:

“Shall decide only matters included on the official agenda.”

There was no item listed on the EKF Ltd AGM 2025 to change the name of the English Karate Federation Ltd.

5. On 16th July 2025, the English Karate Federation Ltd was placed into Creditors Voluntary Liquidation. To date, no reason for the liquidation has been provided.
6. Section 103 of the Insolvency Act 1986 states that the powers of the directors of the company cease, and all powers are then vested in the liquidator to deal with the company and its affairs.
7. In short, from 16th July 2025, although some directors remain on the English Karate Federation Ltd board, they have no power or authority to act on behalf of the company.
8. When a company is placed into liquidation, its bank account is frozen.
9. Monies paid for English licences were then redirected to other non-English Karate Federation Ltd bank accounts.
10. The "Trading Name Rights" of English Karate Federation were then purchased from the liquidator. Note: Trading name rights are not legal ownership of a company.
11. EKF CIC (company number 16280440) is not the same as English Karate Federation Ltd (company number 06527769) - they are two separate legal entities.
12. English Karate Federation Ltd (company number 06527769) was the National Governing Body recognised by the British Karate Federation.
13. BKF Article 30.6 states:

“Membership is not transferable.”

14. Several attempts have been made by the BKF to hold meetings to resolve the associated problems in English Karate. Unfortunately, some home countries have failed to attend these BKF meetings.
15. English Karate Federation Ltd (company number 06527769) is under the control of the liquidator, who has no intention of running it as a karate national governing body and intends to wind the company up in due course, once he has concluded his investigation.
16. The BKF now finds itself in a state of paralysis and cannot move forward in any direction. As such, it must take action to break the current impasse.
17. The BKF held a meeting on the 2nd of October 2025 and invited the home country members, who again failed to attend the meeting, and decided to take steps to resolve the matter and ensure progress.
18. The British Karate Federation now formally recognises the EKNGB Ltd. as its official member organisation representing England. We extend a warm welcome to President Dale Gamble and his leadership team, and we look forward to working collaboratively to restore and elevate the standard of English Karate to its rightful prominence.
19. The British Karate Federation is the recognised member of the World Karate Federation (WKF).