



J.K.A. Italia
(Japan Karate Association)

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DENTO (TO HAND DOWN)

Karate will not be present at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, but this will not prevent us from continuing to practice the **Original Traditional Shotokan Karate Style** through JKA Italy, in direct connection with JKA/WF HQ in Tokyo which has received from the Japanese Government the official recognition of “KOEKI SHADAN HOJIN”, namely “Public Interest Association”, since 2012.

The Japan Karate Association school must be an example for other organization that practice Karate on the territory, other federations entrust the technique to a single Sensei and so become private organizations, the Sports Promotion Agency practice Karate as a hobby but at the same time wish to sign a protocol in agreement with JKA Italy; therefore, JKA Instructors must fully understand the value of the challenge undertaken by Naito Sensei to keep Italian Karate alive with the recovery of the Italian and Japanese tradition and precious cultural identity that gave rise to this martial art.

JKA Italy **is not a company** where the agreement between the parties defines a collaboration based on profit, roles and power. A protocol is based on interest, it allows who have other purposes to satisfy their ego. The self-confident man does not need rules or to sign a contract, only those who are afraid because they lack experience needs a signed paper that provides them assurances.

JKA Italy is an organization where the human aspect is at the base of every relationship, where **the target is to give young people** the tools to increase their experience, where the comparison between instructors and students, parents and children does not have written and fixed rules, but pragmatic relationships that are consolidated as the relationship grows, a correct exercise to improve their own character.

In this period the values linked to the martial virtues of the Samurai warriors come back current, a lifestyle, a mindset that revolves around the word “**Butoku**”, find their own way facing **difficulties**, **suffer with patience** looking for **inner peace**; a bitter but necessary medicine so that **certainty**, **self-confidence** and **love of neighbour** can be reached. Overcoming the struggle and often also the pain and tears to become strong

both physically and mentally, as well as in the constraint of a strenuous training, through the hips rotation, the twisting and pressure of the heels we can reach muscle relaxation and therefore the effectiveness of the technique.

JKA Italia instructors have the obligation to learn and **pass on the Original Traditional Shotokan Karate Style**, teach **young students**, **instil hope in the future** through a **clear goal**; the sacrifice as investment to obtain the result, respecting anyway the **right of young people to the freedom to choose their Sensei** in life and also in Traditional Karate.



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J.K.A. is committed to promote the training of **young people** with prestige.
J.K.A. Italy promotes awareness-raising activities against **women** violence.