

## **Dojo Etiquette**

The dojo is the area where the students are learning Karate; its translation is training hall.

### **For the Students:**

- You must bow when you enter or leave the dojo.
- Remove your shoes before entering the dojo (occasionally due to medical or other circumstance a smooth soled shoe is allowed)
- No gum or other candy in your mouth while training.
- Make sure your finger and toenails are cut or neatly trimmed (to protect others while engaged in multi person practice)
- Students cannot leave the class at anytime without informing the Sensei or another teacher.
- At all times proper respect is due to each senior level student, each junior level student, and especially all black belt Sempai.
- It is inconsiderate to be late for class, however should you arrive and class is in progress please kneel at the Dojo side and wait for the Sensei to direct you to join the class.
- Remove all jewelry before training- watches, rings etc.

### **For the Parents, Guardians and Children watching the class:**

- No parents can come onto the dojo floor while class is going on, please sit at the side/back of the dojo and watch (The instructor knows what is expected, and knows the capabilities of each child) should parents wish to be on the floor, please register for classes and come on out.
- Parents and Guardians please keep talking to a minimum while class is going on, the Sensei or other instructors do not like to talk over people.
- Children sitting at the back of the class should remain quiet and not enter the dojo floor at anytime, if they are being too noisy and disruptive you will be asked to leave.
- Please no pictures or video taping of the class, unless you ask the Sensei in charge for permission.