

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMODORE 64/128



INTRODUCTION

INTERNATIONAL KARATE + TM is a development of the original IK game, the main extra feature being that there are three fighting men on the screen at once (and five in PAUSE mode!)

There are 17 different moves that can be made, all controlled by the joystick, and with practice all these moves can be executed smoothly in a flowing fight sequence without the man pausing momentarily in the standing stance. The joystick system is simple enough for players to learn quickly, but after some experience of how the moves behave, much more sophisticated control can be achieved.

Opponents can be hit in the head, chest, stomach, shins and feet from in front or behind, although an attacker receives only half the score for attacking from behind.

The game gets progressively harder until about Level 25, and players are awarded one of six belt colours depending on their score.

The computer-controlled men adopt a variety of play strategies. For example, they may fight each other, not the human: they may not fight, just avoid attacks: both may fight the human, not bothering to dodge attacks: and so on. All behaviour varies in "viciousness" as the game

gets more advanced An animated judge appears at the end of each 30-second round to instruct the players and announce the rankings. If a human player is in third place, he is out of the game. So long as a human can stay first or

second, he stays in the match. Every 3rd round there is a bonus round, where the player has to use a small hand-held shield to deflect balls bouncing towards him from all angles

LOADING

If using a 128, first select 64 mode.

Cassette

Ensure the cassette is fully rewound. Press the SHIFT and RUN/STOP keys together, then press PLAY on the recorder

Insert the disk into the drive, label side up. Type LOAD"*", 8,1 and press RETURN

OPTION SELECTION

If in demo mode, start a one-player game If in demo mode, start a two-player game FIRE, Joystick port 2 FIRE, Joystick port 1 One player against two computer men. Two players against one computer man. (These controls work at all times, and so can be F3 used to quit the current match). Turn music on or off. Turn sound effects on or off. Vary speed of play (1 is fast, 3 normal, 5 slow) F7 SHIFT and 1/2/3/4/5 RUN/STOP Pause mode (during fight round only). Press RUN/STOP a second time to continue the fight. Change the colours of the reflected sunset.

GAME DISPLAY

The score and game information is displayed at the top of the screen, and comprises three sets of combat points and accumulative score displays. Human-controlled fighters are indicated by a coloured fist to the right of the fighter's score. The white-jacketed fighter is controlled by Joystick Port 2, while in two-player games, the red-jacketed fighter is controlled by Joystick Port 1

MOVEMENT CONTROLS

The game may only be controlled using joysticks. It is recommended that sticks with a firm tactile feel (such as the original Atari ones) are used – large, wobbly sticks are not as manageable since they move too

HOLDING AND CANCELLING A MOVE

When making an attacking move, you must hold the joystick in position until your man has made the attack. Releasing the joystick any sooner will cause your man to return to the standing stance. If the selection is retained then the stance is held until the joystick is released or another move selected. However, the actual hitting action is only effective on the initial movement - after all, seasoned opponents are unlikely to run onto your fist!

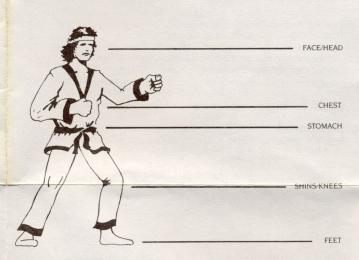
SEQUENCES OF MOVES

It is possible to make moves in quick succession without the fighter first pausing in the standing stance, thus allowing a smooth, free-flowing sequence. This is done by selecting the first move, holding it until the attack has occurred, then quickly selecting the next move before the man returns to the standing position. This will allow such actions as a series of back flips across the screen (select back flip wait for move to commence, then select it again and again for Dance-free motion.)

BLOCKING MOVE

A blocking move is also available for defensive purposes. If you are being attacked at close range from in front, and you select the "walk backwards" action, your man will stand in a blocking posture for the duration of the attack and deflect all kicks to the head, chest and stomach. However, it is not possible to block shin kicks and footsweeps — the only way to avoid them is to jump out of the way, or return the attack with move like the flying kick.

ATTACKABLE AREAS



A match consists of a sequence of two fight rounds and a bonus round. In the one-player game, there are two computer-controlled opponents The match ends when the human comes third in a fight round player game starts with two humans fighting each other and one computer-controlled opponent. A player who comes last in a fight round goes out of the game, leaving one player against two computer

men as in the one-player game.

The object is to fight on for as long as possible. As the score builds up, you are awarded one of six belt colours, the highest being the black belt. At then end of the match, you have the chance of entering your initials, score and belt colour in the Hall of Fame

SCORING

During a fight round, if a man successfully hits an opponent while facing him, he get two "combat points" (displayed as coloured discs) and a numerical score. Attacking from behind earns one combat point and thalf the score. A fight round lasts either for 30 seconds, or until one of the fighters gains six combat points. In the latter case, the playr who scored the six points is awarded a time bonus of 100 points for each second left in the round.

At the end of each fight round, the judge decides who is first, second and third (or equal), initially on the basis of the combat points, and then, in the case of a tie, on the numerical score obtained during that round (NOT the accumulated score)

When a player is hit he falls down and is momentarily dazed, as shown by the stars above his head. When these disappear he has a few seconds to wait or make an instant move. Otherwise, after a short

waiting period he is forced to stand up anyway.

The length of time a fighter is knocked out depends on the type of blow, and as the game speeds up the wait allowed decreases – but you can't get hit until you are actually up and fighting again.

SCORING		
MOVE	FRONTALHIT	HIT FROM BEHIND
Front Face Punch	800	400
Shin Kick	400	200
Footsweep	400	200
Crouching Stomach Punch	400	200
Reverse Face Punch	800	400
Flying Kick	800	400
Head Butt	1000	500
Stomach Kick	200	100
Face Kick	800	400
Reverse Footsweep	400	200
Back-step Face Kick	800	400
Double Face Kick	1000	1000

BONUS ROUND