TSU SHIN GEN INTERNATIONAL



INSTRUCTORS MANUAL

GRADING PROCEDURES

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TSU SHIN GEN INTERNATIONAL BUDO ASSOCIATION GRADING RULES AND PROCEDURES

KYU GRADES

The Sections

Basics on Pads Fighting Combinations Fighting Drills or Kata Self-Defence Drill (Sabaki) from 4th Kyu Sparring/Kumite.

NB! All Combinations will be performed one at a time repeating each combination up to 5 times. All Combinations from the Fighting Drills or Kata will be performed one at a time repeating each combination up to 5 times after which they will be performed as a whole unit.

The aspirant MUST know each combination by heart and not need to be shown each combination by the Grading Officer. For Juniors this rule can be flexible due to their age!

The Grading Officer has the right to shorten one or more of the sections.

If those testing for Kyu grades are over 16 years old and the test is in connection with a Dan Grade Test, their Kumite can be performed as a Uke during the Dan Grade Kumite!

Important!

It is the responsibility of the Instructor of the person testing to make sure that the person testing is well prepared and knows all their combinations by heart i.e. Fighting Combinations and Fighting Drills or Kata

A requirement for those testing for Kyu Grades is that they have their own Uke with them or have an agreement with another student participating in the test! If the Grading is held in conjunction with a Seminar the Uke shall participate during the whole Seminar and not just at the Grading so that any corrections that may have been made during the Seminar will also be known by the Uke!

The minimum age for testing for 4th Kyu and above is 13 years old. The minimum age for testing for Shodan is 16 years old. The minimum age to take part in the Dan Grade fighting is 16 years old.

All those who are testing and their Uke shall have the following protection: TSG approved Sparring Gloves, Leg protection, Groin protection. Gum Shields are recommended. They must wear the official Gi prescribed by the Tsu Shin Gen International Budo Association!

Grading Procedure

1. All those who are to be tested line up facing the Shomen in grade order with the highest grade to their right, their Uke lines up directly behind them.

2. The Bowing procedure to mark the beginning of the Test.

- 3. Dividing up into the different Grades and where applicable Systems.
- 4. The aspirants line up in pairs with their Uke.

Commands:

Rei = Bow Yoi = Get ready Kamaete = Get into your Fighting Stance Hajime = Begin Yame = Stop Naotte = Return to Fudo Dachi Mogori = Without counting

The Testing of Basic Techniques (Kihon).

The techniques will be performed with a Uke and on Striking Pads etc.

Fighting Combinations

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi – Kamaete – each combination is performed on command up to 5 times – Naotte.

Fighting Drill or Kata

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi – Kamaete – each combination is performed on command up to 5 times – Naotte.

Kata or Fighting Drill performed in the Free Fighting Form (Mogori)

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi – Kamaete – Hajime – every combination is performed without counting–Naotte.

Self Defence Drill (Sabaki)

The one testing stands in the centre of a ring of opponents. The opponents attack one at a time with two techniques and the first technique must be a punch to the head the second technique is decided by the Uke. The student counters with a suitable combination and the Uke protects themselves until the student has finished their counter attack and then steps out of the way. The student must show good variation in their combinations!

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi - Kamaete – Hajime – the Drill proceeds for the allotted time – Yame – Naotte.

Sparring/Fighting Rounds

Those who are testing line up in grade order with the highest grade to their right. Those who have been chosen from the group who are going to be a Uke make a line outside the grading area. On command the Uke move in front of their appointed opponent.

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Rei – Kamaete – Hajime – The Fighting round begins – Yame – Naotte – Rei.

The Ukes walk off of the fighting area and return to the Uke group. The next line of Ukes walk forward and stand in front of their appointed opponent and the Bowing procedure starts again.

If the same Ukes are going to be used for more than one round, once the opponents have lined up and bowed the last Uke in the line then lines up in front of the first aspirant and all the other Ukes move one position.

Any Uke who has been injured asks for permission to leave the group.

Final Grading Procedure, Results and Certificates

All those who have been tested line up in the first row facing the Shomen with the highest grade to their right.

The results are announced and the Certificates awarded by the Chief Grading Officer!

The Bowing procedure to mark the end of the test then takes place and that concludes the Grading!

Attending Officials during test should be:

A Chief Grading Officer One or more Assistant Grading Officers when possible A Timekeeper A person with First Aid knowledge is recommended.

DAN GRADES

The Sections Basics on Pads (as a warm up) Fighting Combinations Fighting Drills or Kata Self-Defence Drill (Sabaki) Kumite.

NB! All Combinations will be performed one at a time repeating each combination up to 5 times. All Combinations from the Fighting Drills or Kata will be performed one at a time repeating each combination up to 5 times after which they will be performed as a whole unit.

The aspirant MUST know each combination and not need to be shown each combination by the Grading Officer.

The Grading Officer has the right to shorten one or more of the sections.

It is the responsibility of the Instructor of the person testing to make sure that the person testing is well prepared and knows all their combinations by heart i.e. Fighting Combinations and Fighting Drills or Kata

A requirement for those testing for Dan Grades is that they have their own Uke with them or have an agreement with another student participating in the test! If the Grading is held in conjunction with a Seminar the Uke shall participate during the whole Seminar and not just at the Grading so that any corrections that have been made during the Seminar will also be known by the Uke!

The minimum age for testing for Shodan is 16 years old.

The minimum age to take part in the Dan Grade fighting is 16 years old.

All those who are testing and their Uke shall have the following protection:

TSG approved Sparring Gloves, Leg protection, Groin protection. Gum Shields are recommended. They must wear the official Gi prescribed by the Tsu Shin Gen International Budo Association!

Grading Procedure

1. All those who are to be tested line up facing the Shomen in grade order with the highest grade to their right, their Uke lines up directly behind them.

2. The Bowing procedure to mark the beginning of the Test.

- 3. Dividing up into the different Grades and where applicable Systems.
- 4. The aspirants line up in pairs with their Uke.

Commands:

Rei	= Bow
Yoi	= Get ready
Kamaete	= Get into your Fighting Stance
Hajime	= Begin
Yame	= Stop
Naotte	= Return to Fudo Dachi
Mogori	= Without counting

The Testing of Basic Techniques (Kihon).

The techniques will be performed with a Uke and on Striking Pads etc.

Fighting Combinations

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi – Kamaete – each combination is performed on command up to 5 times – Naotte.

Fighting Drill or Kata

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Commands from Fudo Dachi: Yoi - Kamaete - Hajime - the Drill proceeds for the allotted time - Yame - Naotte.

Sparring/Fighting Rounds

The number of rounds for those testing for Shodan, Nidan and Sandan is 15 and each round is 2 minutes.

Those who are testing line up in grade order with the highest grade to their right. Those who have been chosen from the group who are going to be a Uke make a line outside the grading area. On command the Uke move in front of their appointed opponent.

Commands from Fudo Dachi: Rei – Kamaete – Hajime – The Fighting round begins – Yame – Naotte – Rei.

The Ukes walk off of the fighting area and return to the Uke group. The next line of Ukes walk forward and stand in front of their appointed opponent and the Bowing procedure starts again.

If the same Ukes are going to be used for more than one round, once the opponents have lined up and bowed the last Uke in the line then lines up in front of the first aspirant and all the other Ukes move one position.

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