

BSF GRADING STRUCTURE - MASTER GRADES

Grade		Belt sleeve	MINIMUM Competitive Requirements ** Note medals achieved by walkover or without winning are not counted for grade purposes	Recommended minimum time in previous grade	Examiner
Master	Level 1	 black	EITHER	1 year	BSF Grading Commission following application from candidate.
			Gold medal (minimum 2 wins) at British Senior Championships or equivalent international event OR 3 x Gold medals (minimum 2 wins) at British Masters Championships or equivalent international event		
Master	Level 2 - International Class	black	EITHER	1 year	BSF Grading Commission following application from candidate.
			Represented GB (or country of origin) at World or Continental Senior Championships **		
			OR medalled for GB (or country of origin) at World or Continental Masters Championships **		
Master	Level 3 - Honoured International Class	black	OR 3 x medallist at international events **	5 years	BSF Grading Commission recommendation to BSF Committee following application from candidate. BSF Committee must endorse the recommendation.
			Exceptional service		