













World Taekwondo Mandeville

Kup Grading & Technical Guidance Syllabus

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Kup Grading Syllabus

TRAINING PERIODS

The table below shows the minimum amount of time and number of classes required to be eligible to test. Minimum training is regarded as attending training sessions twice per week. Students will be notified ahead of time if they qualify to participate in the next grading exam.

Current Belt Color	Time	Classes
White	Not Specified	Not Specified
Yellow-Stripe	2-3 months	20 classes
Yellow	2-3 months	20 classes
Green-Stripe	3 months	25 - 30 classes
Green	3 months	25 - 30 classes
Blue-Stripe	4 months	30 - 35 classes
Blue	4 months	30 - 35 classes
Red-Stripe	5 months	40 - 45 classes
Red	5 months	40 - 45 classes
Black-Stripe	6 months	Not Specified













<u>Technical Syllabus</u> <u>for</u> <u>Blue Stripe – Blue Belt</u> (5th Kup)







THEORY

At the beginner levels sparring is a case of trying to remember what techniques to do and trying to execute the blocks that the student knows to defend themselves.

At this level the student should be able to swiftly move their hands to the right place to protect their body, but it's important that they manage the distance well. Blocking a kick with the arms should be seen as a last resort. A better option is simply not to be there.

So, the key theory at this level is knowing how to manage distance to be able to quickly gain distance to score points and then retract to avoid kicks from the opponent. Ideally the defender will retract far enough to make the attacker miss, while putting their arms in the right place to cover where the kick may land, without offering their arm forward to be kicked - there's no need to take a kick on the arm if it's not needed.













HISTORY

The 9 original schools that combined to form Taekwondo were:

- Chung Do Kwan (blue waves school)
- Jidokwan (school of wisdom)
- Changmookwan (developing martial arts school)
- Song Moo Kwan (ever youthful martial arts school)
- Moodukkwan (school of martial virtue)
- Oh Do Kwan (school of my way, General Choi's kwan)
- Kang Duk Won (splinter school of Changmookwan)
- Han Moo Kwan (splinter school of Jidokwan)
- Jung Do Kwan (splinter school of Chung Do Kwan).

EXPECTATIONS

In terms of poomsae, the new Form has a clear section when the student is coming towards the examiner performing a block to middle section and then a strike to the face - it should be very clear that these are to different levels. Also, there are movements in the pattern where there are two strikes happening in different directions - a side kick to the side and a hammer fist that effectively strikes perpendicular to the kick.

The student should at least demonstrate the principle of "backward or slip" during one step sparring, even if the counter-attacks come slow or the striking part is incorrect.













HAND & COMBINATION TECHNIQUES

- Forward Stance Low Block, Back leg Front Kick then Back Stance, Outer Forearm Middle Block
- Forward Stance Palm Block then Reverse Middle Punch. (1. Moving Back & 2. Moving Forward)
- Forward Stance Twisting Reverse Single Knife Hand Block. Then Back Leg Roundhouse
 Kick (Finish in Fighting Stance)
- **Forward Stance** High Outer Forearm Block, Reverse Punch and Front Kick then Reverse Punch.

KICKING & FOOTWORK

- All Basic to Intermediate Kicks (Moving Forward in fighting stance)
- Combination Kicking: Skipping Axe Kick, Inside Crescent Kick & Spinning Hook Kick
- Consecutive Kicking: Front Leg Twist Kick, Roundhouse Kick & Cut Kick
- Jumping: Side, Roundhouse, Hook & Axe Kick
- **Directional Kick**: (Name Direction & Kicks)
 - *Also can be upon instructor's discretion





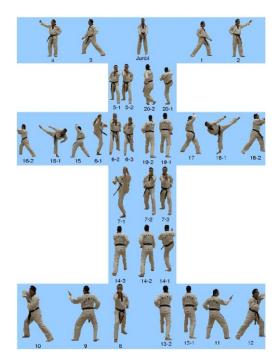








POOMSAE



Blue belt - Signifies the heaven towards which the plant matures into a towering tree as training in

Taekwondo progresses.

Taegeuk O Jang - 20 movements, represents wind. Korean symbol - Seon

Taegeuk Oh-jang represents the wind and, like the wind, techniques change from a quick and fast to heavier and more powerful, e.g. a rapid low-section block opens the form but swiftly changes to a slower yet still powerful hammer fist strike. Similarly, the turns are performed quickly to represent the twisting movements of a tornado, the techniques snapping into place before moving onto the linear components.

- Kibon Il Jang
- Taegeuk II Jang O Jang













SELF DEFENSE - HOSIN SOOL

- Slap to face (2 times)
- Shoulder grab from behind (2 times)
- Grab Around Neck from behind (2 times)
- Knife Attack Middle Thrust

DESTRUCTION

- Hand 2 Boards (Downward Knife hand Strike or Turning Elbow Strike)
- Foot 1 Board (Spinning Hook Kick or Back Kick)

SPARRING

- 2 for 2 Kicking Combinations
- One Step Sparring (10-12)
- Free Sparring













Mental Requirements

A) What is the meaning of the Blue Belt?

- 1. The Blue belt signifies the heaven towards which the plant matures into a towering tree as training in Taekwondo progresses. "Sir/Ma'am"!
 - B) What is the meaning of Taegeuk Sa Jang?
 - 1. The fourth Taegeuk form signifies thunder. "Sir/Ma'am"!
 - C) Count from 20 to 40 in Korean.
 - 1. Twenty Sumul
 - 2. Thirty Surun
 - 3. Forty Mahun
 - D) What are the three rules of concentration?
 - 1. Focus your eyes
 - 2. Focus your mind
 - 3. Focus your body
 - E) Why do we practice controlled Olympic sparring?
 - 1. To demonstrate mental discipline
 - 2. To show physical control over ourselves
 - 3. To build self-confidence which indicates a strong mind
 - F) Know what part of the foot is used to strike for each kick.
 - 1. Skipping front leg roundhouse kick Instep
 - 2. Skipping front leg side kick Bottom of the heel
 - 3. Skipping front leg double roundhouse kick Instep
- G) Be able to identify, define, and answer questions about the current life skill concept (Children only)

How do we make power?

Power is product of mass multiplied by acceleration (**f=ma**). In other words, the weight of the person times the speed with concentration, balance, confidence, and yelling produces power.

Relaxation & Strength Exercises

Effective kicks and punches begin with relaxation for speed and end with tightness for strength. Therefore, we practice each separately and then put them together. The strength exercise increases muscle tone and gathers energy. The relaxation exercises develops speed and agility.













One Step Sparring (Blue-Stripe)

- 1. A. Attacker Steps Forward executing a Front Kick in Fighting Stance.
 - B. **Defender** Steps 45º Left in a Forward Stance then Executing a **High Outward Knifehand Strike** while simultaneously grasping and pulling
 the Attacker's Kicking leg with the Right hand. Put forward pressure to
 the neck (until the person falls) then finish up by punching to the Solar
 Plexus with right hand.
- 2. A. Attacker Steps forward executing a Right leg Side Kick.
 - B. **Defender** Steps 45º left in a **Forward Stance** while parrying with right hand **Low Block**, Lift Right leg and execute a **Side Kick** to Attacker's Kidney. Then finish up with **Horse Riding Stance**, **Side Elbow Strike** with Palm support.
- 3. A. Attacker Steps forward in Forward Stance executing a High Punch to face
 - B. Defender Hops 45º left in Closed Stance, Right Hand Knife Hand

 Outer Block then execute Right Leg Side Kick and finish up with Horse

 Riding Stance, Turning Elbow Strike to Ribcage.













MORAL CULTURE

RIGHTEOUSNESS – (UI)

Righteousness being morally aware, right and justifiable.

All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

Always strive to be the best at what you do. That does not mean you should compare yourself to others. Just in what you do and love.

Derek Hough

Don't treat people as bad as they are. Treat them as good as you are.

- Dalai Lama

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for a man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires.

-James 1:19-20

A wise man can play the part of a clown, but a clown cannot play the part of a wise man.

-Malcolm X













Blue Stripe

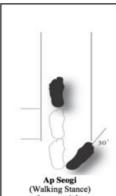
BASIC STANCES



Legs straight Weight centered



Naranhi Seogi (Parallel Stance) Legs straight Weight centered



Legs straight Weight centered



Ap Kubi (Front Stance) Front leg bent Rear leg straight
Approx. 2/3 weight on front
foot



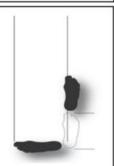
Dwit Kubi (Back Stance) Knees bent Approx. 2/3 of weight on rear leg; rear shoulder, hip, knee on same vertical line



(Horse Riding Stance) Knees bent Knees in line with hips, feet



Beom Seogi (Tiger Stance) (11ger Stance)
Rear foot supports all weight.
Knees close together, rear
knee bent and in line with
toes. Ball of front foot lightly touches floor.



Oreun Seogi (Right Stance) Legs straight Weight evenly distributed



Wen Seogi (Left Stance) Legs straight Weight evenly distributed



Ap Koa Seogi (Forward Cross Stance) Front leg at 30-45° bears 90% of weight



Dwit Koa Seogi (Backward Cross Stance) Front leg at 30-45° bears 90% of weight.



Hakdari Seogi (Crane Stance) Support knee bent as in horse riding stance. Inner arch of foot on inner crook of knee. Lifted knee and foot face forward.



Kyotdari Seogi (Assisted Stance) Height same as horse riding stance. Front foot bears 90% of weight. Ball of rear foot aligned with arch of front foot.













MOOTO BELT STICKERS - REWARD SYSTEM

At every belt level, students must work their way to achieving their goals in Taekwondo class. Our dojang uses a reward system to communicate to our students that "hard work pays off!" On each side of the belt, students are capable to earning stripes by working in the class. Each side of the belt represents a general aspect of Taekwondo.

Kicking

The student will be rewarded with this stripe once they have learned and can demonstrate properly their belt level kicks and the previous ones they have done in earlier ranks (especially for Colored Belts). Each belt has kicks that they will require to learn and demonstrate with effort, accuracy, precision and their unique style. Attending classes regularly and home practice will help the student achieve this stripe.

Poomsae

The student will be rewarded with this stripe once they have learnt their belt level "Poomsae" (or Form). As students' progress with belts, their poomsae will become more advanced, challenging them with new stances, blocks, and kicking techniques. Completion of the poomsae for the specific rank is of utmost importance, along with **speed, focus, effort and direction**. Attending Poomsae classes will help the student achieve this stripe.

Sparring

The student will be rewarded with this stripe once they have made progress in the Sparring class according to their belt level. Challenging oneself with different techniques, and using game/match strategy is a requirement for this stripe. Not to mention, working hard!

Attending Sparring classes will help the student achieve this stripe.













Self Defense & Step Sparring

The student will be rewarded with this stripe once they have learned and can demonstrate correctly their number of required Self-Defense & Step Sparring techniques for their belt level. As a student progresses in belts, they will be required to show more challenging and difficult movements. Attending Self-Defense classes and a sense of imagination of hope the techniques are applied will help the student achieve this stripe.

Life Skills

The instructors can only monitor the children when they are at the dojang, but use this stripe to ensure that the children are behaving as they should outside of the dojang. Behavior at home and in school is crucial to receiving this stripe. The power of this stripe is from the parent(s), and can be received by listening to the parents at all times, getting along with siblings, friends and teacher, and by helping out with chores around the house. We preach that this stripe can be awarded to their child by helping make their parents lives as easy as possible. Showing respect and appreciation are two ways in which most children achieve this stripe.

Physical Strength

To earn this stripe, the student must be able to demonstrate the ability to complete specific exercises with repetition based on the instructor's discretion. For e.g. (20 Pushups, 10 Burpees, 20 Sit-ups, 1 minute Plank, 25 squats etc.)

Jump Rope

This stripe is simply earned by the student's succession in consecutive skipping based on criteria set by the instructor. For E.g., **25/35/50/75** or **100** consecutive skips, whether executed onspot, Moving forward, back and forth etc.)

Board Breaking

For the student to earn this stripe, they have to demonstrate the ability to break board(s) according to the specific one on their syllabus whether executed by hand or foot. As they ascend in rank, they will learn the different methods of breaking. For e.g., **Power**, **Speed** or **Special Technique Break**.













Taegeuk O-Jang



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TAEKWONDO













Korean Terminologies (Memorize as much as possible)

General Knowledge

Tae – Foot

Kwon - Fist (or, "to smash with the fist")

Do - Way

Poomsae – Forms

Dojang - Training Hall

Kukki - Flags

Dobok - Uniform

Hogu - Body Armor

Oreun - Right

Wen - Left

Kibom - Technique

Chung - Blue

Hong - Red

Sun bae nim – Senior Student

Kyo bum nim – Instructor $(1^{st} - 3^{rd})$

Kyo sah nim – Novice Blackbelt (1st – 3rd)

Sabum nim – Teacher/Master

Kwan Jan Nim - Grand Master

Kyorugi – Sparring

Taekwondo Kicks

Chagi - Kick

Ap Chagi - Front Kick

Yop Chagi - Side Kick

Dollyo Chagi - Turning Kick

Dwi Chagi - Back Kick

Dwi Huryo Chagi – Spinning Hook Kick

Horyo Chagi - Hook Kick

Naeryo Chagi - Axe Kick

Miryo Chagi - Pushing Kick

Yop Miryo Chagi - Cut Kick

An Chagi - Inner Crescent Kick

Bakkat Chagi - Outer Crescent Kick

Mondollyo Chagi – Tornado Kick

Narae Chagi – Double Roundhouse Kick

Kawi Chagi – Scissors Kick

Bituro Chagi – Twisting Kick

Twiyo + (Kick) - Jumping/Flying (Kick)

<u>Taekwondo Commands</u>

Charvut - Attention

Kyung Ne - Bow

Junbi - Ready

Shijak - Start (for instance, to commence

fighting at a tournament)

Kooman – Stop

Swi-yo (Sho) – Relax Gam jeong – Penalty

Kallyo - Separate (no grappling)

Kyesok - Continue; Seung - Winner

WT Taekwondo Stances

Sogi - Stance; Bo Jumeok Junbi - Closed fist

Charyot Sogi - Attention Stance

Ap Sogi - Walking Stance

Ap Kubi - Long Stance

Juuchum Sogi - Horse (Sitting) Stance

Dwi Kubi - Back Stance

Moa Sogi - Close Stance

Wen Sogi - Left Stance

Oreun Sogi - Right Stance;













Punches & Strikes

Jireugi - Punch

Ap Jireugi - Front Punch

Momtong Jireugi – Middle Punch

Yup Jireugi – Side Punch

Olgul Jireugi – High Punch

Arae Jireugi – Low Punch

Palkup Ollyo Chigi – Upward Elbow Strike

Palkup Yeop Chigi – Side Elbow Strike

Palkup Dwi Chigi – Back Elbow Strike

Palkup Naeryo Chigi – Downward Elbow Strike

Deung Jumeok Chigi – Back Fist Strike

PyeonSonkeut Sewo Jireugi – Spearhand Strike

Batangson Teok Chigi - Palm Heel Strike (chin)

Sonnal Deung Chigi – Ridge Hand Strike

Mureup Chigi - Knee Strike

Jebi Poom Chigi – Combination Knifehand Block

and Strike

Sonnal Bakkat Chigi – Outward Knifehand Strike

Sonnal An Chigi – Inward Knifehand Strike

Du Hechyo Jireugi – Twin Upset Punch

Deung Jumeok Bakat Chigi - Outward

Hammerfist Strike

Khaljaebi Chigi – Arc Hand Strike

Ap palkup chigi - Front elbow

Palkup pyojeok chigi - Front elbow with target

Dwi palkup chigi - Back elbow

Deungjumeok ap chigi - Back fist front strike

WT Taekwondo Blocks

Makki - Block

Arae Makki – Low Block

Momtong Makki - Middle (Body) Block Olgul

Makki - High (Face) Block

Momtong Makki – Outer Forearm Inward Block

Momtong Bakkat Makki - Outer Forearm Block

Batangson Makki – Palm Block

Goduro Makki – Guarding Block

Sonnal Makki - Knife Hand Block

Otgureo Makki - X-fist Block

Batangson an Makki - Palm Heel Block

Kawi Makki – Scissors Block

Hechyo Makki – Wedging Block

Momtong Goduro Makki – Guarding Block

Hansonnal Makki – Single Knifehand Block













Counting

1 – Hana 6 - Yaseut

2 – Dool **7** – Il gop

3 – Seht **8** – Yadeul

4 – Neht **9** – A houp

5 – Dasut **10** – Yul

11 - 21

11 - Yul hana 16 - Yul Yaseut 21- Sumul hana

12 - Yul Dool **17** - Yul II gop

13 - Yul Seht **18** - Yul Yadeul

14 - Yul Neht **19** - Yul A houp

15 - Yul Dasut **20** – Sumul

10 - 100 (10s)

10 – Yul **60** – Yu soon

20 – Sumul **70** – II hoon

30 – Su doon **80** – yu doon

40 – Mahun **90** – Ha hoon

50 – Shin **100** – Baek

Basic Steps & Footwork

Pahl Pokkoh – Change feet

Chun jin – Slide forward

Fujin - Slide backward

Il bo Chun jin – One Step Forward

Il bo Fujin - One Step Backward













Poomsae (Forms)

What Are Forms?

A Poomsae is a series of fundamental movements, mainly defense and attack, set in a logical sequence to deal with one or more imaginary opponents. Patterns are an indication of a student's progress, a barometer in evaluating an individual's technique.

Why do we perform Forms?

Poomsae are practiced to improve Taekwondo techniques. When practicing students develop flexibility of movement, master body shifting, improve sparring technique, balance and breath control. Poomsae enable students to acquire techniques, which cannot be obtained from other forms of training.

Completion of poomsae can be achieved through hard training following these 5 steps:

Pattern

The first step of training poomsae is to learn the pattern. Concentration of spirit, eyes, angles of movements must be emphasized in addition to the accuracy of actions.

Significance

In the next step, the emphasis must be laid on the balance, strength and weakness, low or high speed, respiration and poomsae line. The significance of movements, connection of poomsae and the complete poomsae must be learned correctly.

Practical Use

One must adapt what he has learned to his practical use, finding out the practicability.

Self-Style

One must evaluate his findings about the effectiveness of what he has learned, comparing with his bodily structure, speed, strength, muscle strength, impulsive power, points of emphasis in training, etc., and moderate the techniques into his own style.

Completion

One achieves a synthetic accomplishment of poomsae training by mastering the art of Taekwondo techniques including Taekwondo spirit.













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