













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	3 months	20 classes
Yellow	3 months	20 classes
Green-Stripe	3 months	25 - 30 classes
Green	3 months	25 - 30 classes
Blue-Stripe	3-4 months	30 - 35 classes
Blue	3-4 months	30 - 35 classes
Red-Stripe	3-5 months	30 - 35 classes
Red	5 months	40 - 45 classes
Black-Stripe	6 months	Not Specified













Technical Syllabus For Yellow Belt - Green Stripe (7th Kup)







HAND & COMBINATION TECHNIQUES

- Forward Stance Twin fist Strike (High, Mid, Low)
- Forward Stance Outer Forearm Middle Block Then Upward Elbow Strike
- Back stance Single Knife hand Outer Forearm Middle Block, then Forward Stance
 Reverse Middle Punch
- Forward Stance Outer Forearm Middle Inward Block, Back fist Strike
- Back Stance Double Knife-hand Guarding Block

KICKING & FOOTWORK TECHNIQUES

All done from Fighting Stance and moving forward:

- Combination Kicking: 1. Crescent Kick, Spinning Hook Kick & Roundhouse Kick x 5
 - 2. Front leg cut + Single step forward + Turning Back Kick x 5
- Consecutive Kicking: Cut Kick, Hook Kick & Roundhouse Kick x 5
- Front Pushing Kick x 5
- Jumping Kicks: Roundhouse Kick, Side Kick, Hook Kick, Axe Kick & Back Kick x 5













ATTENDANCE/TIME

Regular attendance for 3 months from the previous grading. At the discretion of the instructor, a student may grade for their yellow belt from white belt.

THEORY

There are two ways of generating force - linear (or translation) and rotation. If you stand with your shoulders square and only moving your arm punch forward you are generating linear force. If you stand the same way and hold your arm out to the side and then keeping your arm locked rotate your waist you are generating rotational force. Taekwondo techniques aim to combine both types of force generation for maximum effect. So, as an example when you punch as well as the arm extending forwards (generating linear force), you also rotate the punching fist within the last 10-20% of the movement (which is the same for 98% of Taekwondo techniques) and you rotate the waist.

So Taekwondo uses both types of force generation to increase the power. The other important principle of power generation is that you can increase the power by making the movement faster (which we are above by adding the two types of force generation) or increase the weight (technically the mass) of the striking object. Obviously, you can't make your hand weigh more dramatically during a fight (unless you grab a roll of coins), however you can try to make a solid connection from the striking part all the way through the body and in to the feet to the floor. This means instead of the mass just being the striking arm, the whole mass of the body links generates more power. This is why it's important to ensure the back foot is firmly flat on the floor during most Taekwondo stances, if not the force travels through the body and is then wasted in pushing the foot to the floor. This principle of a solid connection through the body is called "kinetic linking".



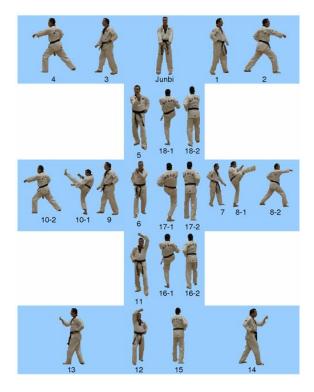












Yellow Belt - Signifies the earth from which the plant sprouts and takes root as the Taekwondo

foundation is being laid.

Taegeuk Ee Jang - 18 movements, represents joyfulness. Korean symbol – Tae

The Taegeuk forms are a more developed series of training exercises similar to the kibon but utilizing more advanced techniques and combinations. The word "taegeuk" is comprised of two words: "Tae" meaning "bigness," and "geuk" meaning "eternity." This means not only that the forms have no beginning or end, but they also encompass the essence of Taekwondo. Indeed, this can be seen by studying the practical applications (combat, self-defense) of the techniques. Taegeuk Il-jang represents heaven (keon) and represents the beginning of things (light and rain come from the heavens and nurture growth) and end (death, place in heaven, rebirth).

- Kibon Il Jang,
- Taegeuk Il-Jang & Taegeuk Ee-Jang











SELF DEFENSE - HOSIN SOOL

- Slap to face (2 times)
- Double Lapel Grab (2 times)
- Shoulder grab from behind (2 times)
- Double Wrist grab from behind (2 times)
- Hair Grab from behind (girls) (2 times)

FITNESS/ENDURANCE

- 35 Regular Push-ups
- 35 Crunches
- 35 Squats
- 15 Burpees

SPARRING

- Semi-free Sparring
- One Step Sparring (1-3)
- Free Sparring

DESTRUCTION

- Hands Hammer fist Strike (1 Board)
- Foot Side Kick or Hook Kick (1 Board)













Mental Requirements

- A) What is the meaning of the yellow belt?
- 1. Signifies the earth from which the plant sprouts and takes root as the Taekwondo foundation is being laid. "Sir/Ma'am"!
 - B) What is the meaning of Taegeuk Ee Jang?
 - 1. The second Taegeuk form signifies joy. "Sir/Ma'am"!

C) Count 11 to 20 in Korean

- 1. Eleven Yul hana
- 2. Twelve Yul dule
- 3. Thirteen Yul set
- 4. Fourteen Yul net
 - 5. Fifteen Yul dasot
- 6. Sixteen Yul yoset
- 7. Seventeen Yul il gob
- 8. Eighteen Yul yo dul
- 9. Nineteen Yul a hop
 - 10. Twenty Sumul

D) What are the commandments of Taekwondo?

- 1. Respect your parents
- 2. Respect your brothers and sisters
 - 3. Be loyal to your friends
 - 4. Respect your elders
 - 5. Respect your teachers
 - 6. Finish what you begin

E) What are the four physical components of power?

- 1. Follow-through
 - 2. Accuracy
 - 3. Speed
 - 4. Technique

F) Know what part of the foot is used to strike for each kick.

- 1. Push kick Bottom of the heel
- 2. Back kick Bottom of the heel
- 3. Spinning hook kick Back of the heel
- 4. Jumping side kick Bottom of the heel
- G) Be able to identify, define, and answer questions about the current life skill concept (Children only)













One Step Sparring (Yellow Belt)

- A. **Attacking Side** Step Back with Right leg, executing a **Low Block**. In Preparation to start attack.
- B. **Defending Side** Remain in "**Junbi**" Stance until A- Side attacks.
- 1. A. Attacker Steps Forward executing a Middle Punch in Forward Stance.
 - B. Defender Moves Right leg 45º of opponent forming a Right Horse-Riding Stance while Simultaneously Blocking with the left-hand Knife hand Block and Middle Punch to Solar Plexus with the Right hand.
- 2. A. **Attacker** Steps Forward executing a **High Punch** in **Forward Stance**.
 - B. Defender Moves Right leg 45º of opponent forming a Right Horse-Riding Stance while Simultaneously Blocking with the left-hand Knife hand Block and High Punch to Face with the Right hand. Then grasp Attacker's head with the left hand and execute Front Elbow Strike to face.
- 3. A. Attacker Steps Forward executing a Middle Punch in Forward Stance.
 - B. Defender Moves forward with Right leg towards the opponent forming a Horse-Riding Stance while Simultaneously Blocking with the left-hand Knife hand Block and trapping the hand then executing a Turning Elbow Strike to Jaw with the Right elbow.













MORAL CULTURE

TRUTH

Truth is not what you want it to be; it is what it is, and you must bend to its power or live a lie.

-Miyamoto Musashi

The **truth** is like a lion, you do not have to defend it. Let it loose. It will defend itself.

-St. Augustine

A good woman or man will be honest no matter how painful the **truth** is. A coward hide behind lies and deceit.

-Anonymous

The tenets of Taekwondo are a guide for all serious student of Taekwondo to follow and embody in their everyday life.

Courtesy (**Ye Ui**) refers to showing **respect and concern** to all others in the dojang (training area) as well as people you may meet outside of formal **Taekwondo** training.

Other meaning for Courtesy:

- To be polite to each other
- To distinguish Senior from Junior, Instructor from student etc...
- Behave oneself according to protocol and etiquette.
- Respecting other people's property.
- Do things with utmost respect and sincerity.
- Avoid giving or taking gifts when uncertain.









8th Kup - Yellow Belt

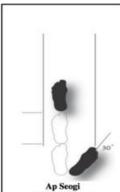
BASIC STANCES



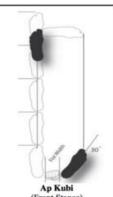
(Closed Stance) Legs straight Weight centered



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(Walking Stance) Legs straight Weight centered



(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



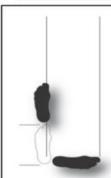
Joochoom Seogi (Horse Riding Stance) Knees bent Knees in line with hips, feet



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



(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.



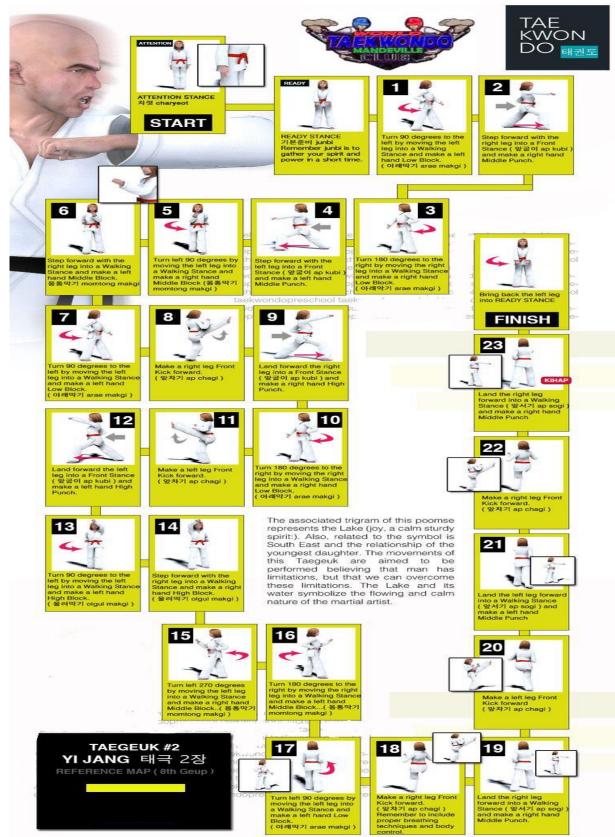








Taegeuk Ee-Jang



TAEKWONDO













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.

<u>Poomsae</u>

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**.













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

Sunbae 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)

Taekwondo Commands

Charyut - Attention

Kyung Ne - Bow

Junbi - Ready

Shijak - Start (for instance, to commence

fighting at a tournament)

Kooman – Stop

Swi-yo (Sho) - Relax

Kallyo - Separate (no grappling)

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;













Kyesok – Continue; **Seung** – Winner

Gam jeong – Penalty

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

– Hana

6 - Yaseut

– Dool

– II gop

– Seht

8 – Yadeul

– Neht

– A houp

– Dasut

– Yul

11 - 21

- Yul hana

16 - Yul Yaseut 21- Sumul hana

- Yul Dool

- Yul II gop

- Yul Seht

18 - Yul Yadeul

- Yul Neht

- Yul A houp

- Yul Dasut **20** – Sumul

10 - 100 (10s)

– Yul

– Yu soon

– Sumul

– II hoon

– Su doon

– yu doon

– Mahun

– Ha hoon

– Shin

– 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