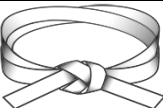











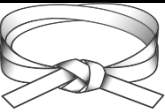





















Kyu Examination Requirements for Seniors (age 16+)

Grade for	Belt	Eligibility	Kihon Basics	Kihon Ido Basic Movements	Kata Forms	Bunkai Kata Application	Yakusoku Kumite Fighting Theory	Kumite Sparring	Remarks	Level
White Belt <i>Mu Kyu</i>		ALL requirements memorized & establishing a good work ethic	Heiko Dachi	-	Taikyoku Jodan 1 Taikyoku Jodan 2	-	-	-		BEGINNER
Yellow Belt <i>Juu Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval If < 1 month, must perform ALL items with confidence	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Jodan 1 Jodan 2 Chudan 1 Chudan 2	-	Kihon 1	3 – 5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Orange Belt <i>Kuu Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Chudan 1 Chudan 2 Gedan 1 Gedan 2	-	Kihon 1	3 – 5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Orange Belt w/Black Stripe <i>Hachi Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Gedan 1 Gedan 2 Kakeuke 1 Kakeuke 2	-	Kihon 2	3 – 5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Green Belt <i>Nana Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 4 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Kakeuke 1 Kakeuke 2 Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2	Gekkisai 1	Kihon 2	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		NOVICE
Green Belt w/Black Stripe <i>Roku Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 4 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2 Mawashiuke 1 Mawashiuke 2	Gekkisai 1	Kihon 2	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Blue Belt <i>Go Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 5 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	1 of Taikyoku 1 of Gekkisai Saifa Sanchin	Gekkisai 1	Nekoashi	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Blue Belt w/Black Stripe <i>Yon Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 5 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	Saifa 1 of Gekkisai Koungou Sanchin	Gekkisai 2	Nekoashi	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Brown Belt <i>San Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2 Nekoashi	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Gekkisai 2	Nanahon	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		INTERMEDIATE
Brown Belt w/Black Stripe <i>Ni Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2 Nekoashi	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Saifa	Nanahon	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Brown over Black Belt <i>Ikkyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2 Nekoashi	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Saifa	Nanahon	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
TKC Shodan-Ho Plain Black Belt		Instructor Approval Minimums: 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1 Ido 2 Ido 2 Nekoashi	ALL PRIOR	Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2 Saifa	ALL PRIOR	8 – 10 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		

Kyu Examination Requirements for Juniors (age 15 & younger)

Grade for	Belt	Eligibility	Kihon Basics	Kihon Ido Basic Movements	Kata Forms	Bunkai Kata Application	Yakusoku Kumite Fighting Theory	Kumite Sparring	Remarks	Level
White Belt <i>Muu Kyu</i>		ALL requirements memorized & establishing a good work ethic	Heiko Dachi	-	Taikyoku Jodan 1 Taikyoku Jodan 2	-	-	-		BEGINNER LEVELS
Yellow Belt w/White Stripe <i>Juu Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval If < 1 month, must perform ALL items with confidence	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Jodan 1 Jodan 2 Chudan 1 Chudan 2	-	Kihon 1	3 – 5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Yellow Belt <i>Kuu Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Chudan 1 Chudan 2 Gedan 1 Gedan 2	-	Kihon 1	3 – 5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Orange Belt w/White Stripe <i>Hachi Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Gedan 1 Gedan 2 Kakeuke 1 Kakeuke 2	-	Kihon 1	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Orange Belt <i>Nana Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 4 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1	Kakeuke 1 Kakeuke 2 Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2	-	Kihon 2	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Green Belt w/White Stripe <i>Roku Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 4 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2 Mawashiuke 1 Mawashiuke 2	Gekkisai 1	Kihon 2	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		NOVICE LEVELS
Green Belt <i>Go Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 5 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	1 of Taikyoku 1 of Gekkisai Saifa Sanchin	Gekkisai 1	Kihon 2	5 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Blue Belt w/White Stripe <i>Yon Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 5 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	Saifa 1 of Gekkisai Koungou Sanchin	Gekkisai 1	Nekoashi	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Blue Belt <i>San Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Gekkisai 2	Nekoashi	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
Brown Belt w/White Stripe <i>Ni Kyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2 Nekoashi	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Gekkisai 2	Nanahon	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		INTERMEDIATE LEVELS
Brown Belt <i>Ikkyu</i>		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 – 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 2 Nekoashi	Saifa Seienchin Sanchin Tensho	Gekkisai 2	Nanahon	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		
TKC Shodan-Ho Black Belt/White Stripe		Instructor Approval Minimums: 6 months since last promotion if prepared	Heiko Dachi	Ido 1 Ido 2 Ido 2 Nekoashi	ALL PRIOR	Gekkisai 1 Gekkisai 2 Saifa	ALL PRIOR	8 – 10 Rounds of Jiyu Kumite		

IKGA Requirements for Dan

Grade for	Belt	Eligibility	Kihon Basics	Kihon Ido Basic Movements	Kata Forms	Bunkai Kata Application	Yakusoku Kumite Fighting Theory	Kumite Sparring	Remarks	Level
Shodan-Ho		Must first perform a Kyu exam and complete ALL Kyu level requirements without fail.	Any Requested by Examiners	Kihon Ido 2 Nekoashi	Seienchin	Saifa	Nanahon Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Be a Positive Example for Kyu Ranks	ADVANCED
					Sanseiru					
Oyo Ido	Sanchin	Seienchin		Nanahon Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Assist with Kyu Ranks				
	Tensho									
Shodan		Instructor Approval Minimum of 6 months & 50, quality classes since Shodan-ho		Oyo Ido	Sanseiru	Seienchin	Nanahon Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Assist with Kyu Ranks	
					1 of Request					
					Sanchin					
Nidan-Ho		Instructor Approval Minimums: 2 years & 200, quality classes since Shodan-ho		Oyo Ido	Seipai	Sanseiru	Gohon Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Assist with Kyu Ranks	
					Seisan					
					Sanchin					
Nidan		Instructor Approval Minimums: 1 year & 100, quality classes since Nidan-ho	Oyo Ido	Seisan	Sanseiru or Seipai	Gohon Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Assist with Kyu Ranks		
				Shisochin						
				Sanchin						
Sandanku-Ho		Instructor Approval Minimums: 3 years & 250, quality classes since Nidan-ho	Oyo Ido	Shisochin	Seipai	Roppo Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Any Standard Requirement for Kyu Grades may also be asked to be demonstrated at any time Assist with Kyu Ranks		
				1 of Request						
				Sanchin						
Sandanku		Instructor Approval Minimums 2 years & 150, quality classes since Sandanku-ho	Oyo Ido	Seisan	Seisan	Roppo Kumite	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Must be able to speak about a basic subject of Goju-ryu Karate. Must know all names of basic techniques. Assist with Dan Ranks		
				1 of Request						
				Sanchin						
Yondan		Instructor Approval Minimums: 4 years & 300, quality classes since Sandanku-ho	Any Requested by Examiners	Kukurunfa	Shisochin	Any Requested by Examiners	5+ Rounds of Jiyu Kumite	Must have teaching experience		
									1 of Request	
									Sanchin	
Godan		Instructor Approval Minimums: 5 years & 400, quality classes since Yondan	Any Requested by Examiners	Kukurunfa	Kukurunfa	Any Requested by Examiners	Must show some variations of bunkai according to your own understanding. Must show understanding of Goju-ryu essence.			
				Suparinpei						
				Sanchin						
				Tensho						

Note: Dan requirements above are reflected from a number of IKGA sources. IKGA Dan examinations conducted in other places may have variations. May Not seek exams in alternate places without prior authorization, and arrangements, by TKC Chief Instructor. Any and all teaching of karate (IKGA or WKF or other) outside of TKC Dojo **MUST** have prior approval/authorization from Chief Instructor. Exams for Yondan and higher ranks must only be held with a panel of Senior IKGA Shihan and/or Saiko Shihan present. Yondan and higher requirements are listed as advice – inquire with Shihan for additional information.