



JSKA Technical Rules

Article 1 - General rules

These Terms define the technical standards of this association. All of technical qualifications must be recognized under these Terms.

Article 2 - Examination

1. Dan/Kyu grades or technical licenses established by this association are evaluated by a certified examiner. The President and Chief Instructor will approve and certify.
2. Exceptions may be granted with the explicit approval of the Chief Instructor. Examination requirements are detailed in the Examination Rules.

Article 3 - Dan

1. Ability Dan

There are 10 Dan starting from the 1st Dan, and the technical level of each is as follows:

- 1st Dan : Those who master and apply the basic karate technique.
- 2nd Dan : Those who master the basic karate technique and thoroughly apply it.
- 3rd Dan : Those who master the general karate technique and fully apply it.
- 4th Dan: Those who master the general karate technique and understand the principle.
- 5th Dan: Those who have advanced karate skills and contribute with their original ideas.
- 6th Dan: A person who devotes himself to karate training and has reached a high level of both mental and physical skills.
- 7th Dan: A person who devotes himself to karate training and has reached the level of maturity in both mind and body.
- 8th Dan: A person who devotes himself to karate training and has reached the level of delicacy in both mind and body.
- 9th Dan: A person who has mastered the philosophy of karate.
- 10th Dan: A person who has mastered the philosophy of karate and has reached an extraordinary level.

2. Recommendation Dan

For those who meet the criteria outlined in the previous section but cannot take the examination due to unavoidable circumstances, the chief instructor may grant an appropriate Dan to that individual.

3. Honorary Dan

With the board of director's recommendation, the president may confer an honorary dan for those who have made outstanding achievements for the association.

Article 4 - Kyu

1. Kyu is given to those who have reached a certain level of skills before reaching the Dan qualification.
2. There are 10 grades from 1st kyu to 10th kyu. A Kari kyu (provisional grade) can be given to each.

Article 5 - Technical License (IRE License)

The following technical licenses' Criteria are as follows.

1. Instructor

- Class D : Can provide branch guidance.
- Class C : Can provide domestic guidance.
- Class B : Can provide continental guidance.
- Class A : Can provide international guidance.

2. Referee

- Class D : Can perform up to the assistant referee of domestic Competition.
- Class C : Referee of domestic competition.
- Class B : Referee of continental competition, assistant referee of world Competition.
- Class A : Referee of the world competition.

3. Examiner

- Class D : Examination of Kyu can be conducted.
- Class C : Examinations of 2nd Dan or less can be conducted.
- Class B : Examinations of 4 Dan or less can be conducted.
- Class A : Examinations of 5 Dan or less can be conducted.

Article 6 -Renewal of the technical licenses

Technical licenses are renewed every three years. To renew, it is required to attend a designated training seminar conducted by the headquarters.

Article 7 - Demotion, Suspension, and Revocation of Technical Licenses

In the following cases, technical licenses may be demoted, suspended, or revoked:

1. When membership is withdrawn or not renewed.
2. When not participating in the prescribed courses for three years..
3. When a clear violation of the rules is identified.

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