

## Exam program to obtain white belt (8th kyu)

## **Kihon**

<u>Technique</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Stance</u>	Pay attention to	
Choku tsuki	basic punch	in <i>heiko dachi</i> (basic stance)	close fist properly, correct wrist alignment, elbow pointing down, <i>hikite</i>	
Oi tsuki	step with punch front hand	from zenkutsu dachi	Fist (punch) and leg (step) arrive together, no leaning forward, <i>hikite</i>	
Mae geri	forward kick	in <i>heiko dachi</i> (basic stance)	Pull toes up, ball of foot hits, lower leg snaps out	
Gedan barai	low block	from heiko dachi to zenkutsu dachi + technique return to heiko dachi	start from ear, correct wrist alignment, correct distance from knee, <i>hikite</i>	
Age uke	high block		to zenkutsu dachi + technique return to heiko	Proper trajectory, angle of arm, rotation of fist, <i>hikite</i>
Soto uke	block from outside			Cover whole area <i>chudan</i> , elbow leads, correct angle and height, <i>hikite</i>
Uchi uke	block from inside		Cover whole area <i>chudan</i> , arms cross, correct angle and height, <i>hikite</i>	
Zenkutsu dachi	forward stance	from heiko dachi to stance then return to heiko dachi	Weight 60-70% front, correct posture, feet on a diagonal, no falling forward	

## Kata

Taikyoku Shodan



## Exam to obtain yellow belt (7th kyu)

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<u>Technique</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Stance</u>	Pay attention to
Choku tsuki	basic punch	in <i>heiko dachi</i>	attention to target, root and hip movement, every punch from root
Gyaku tsuki	punch back hand	from heiko dachi to zenkutsu dachi +	root, axis (no "falling forward"), hip, hikite
Uraken uchi	strike with backside of fist	technique return to heiko dachi	root, axis (no "falling forward"), proper hip movement, connection hip and strike, <i>hikite</i>
Shuto uke	block with blade of hand	from heiko dachi to neko ashi dachi + technique return to heiko dachi	root, center of gravity, position/angle of arms/hands, hip movement, proper body tension, <i>hikite</i>
Yoko geri (kekomi)	sideways kick	from <i>kiba dachi</i> with tsurikomi ashi	root, knee, position arms / upper body, balance
mawashi geri (chudan)	roundhouse kick	from <i>moto dachi</i> (natural stance)	root, foot position, hip drives kick, position arms / upper body, balance
Neko ashi dachi	cat paw stance	from <i>heiko dachi</i> , then	weight back foot, center of gravity, engagement of body core, front leg
Kiba dachi	rider stance	return to <i>heiko dachi</i>	position feet and knees, body axis (buttocks do not stick out)

## Renraku waza

(always connect techniques)

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – mawashi geri	hip preparation before mawashi geri
kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – kotai mawashi geri	front foot moves back (kotai) and makes space for mawashi geri
gyaku tsuki – kizami tsuki – mae geri	root and compacting of abdominals with/for kick

### Kata

Shoho Shodan (Kata no. 1)

## **Kumite**

2 rounds of 2 min each – attacker and defender are set, change role after 1 minute



## Exam to obtain orange belt (6th kyu)

## **Kihon**

<u>Technique</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Stance</u>	Pay attention to
Choku tsuki	basic punch	in <i>heiko dachi</i>	kochu naru: horizontal wave charges punch
Shuto uchi (soto / uchi)	Strike with blade of hand (from outside / inside)	from <i>heiko dachi</i> to <i>zenkutsu dachi</i> + technique	correct hip movement and connection to strike, hand control/tension, <i>hikite</i>
Empi uchi (age / yoko / mawashi)	ellbow strike (up / to side / from side)	return to <i>heiko</i> dachi	axis, target area, body structure, hikite
Kizami mae geri	<i>mae geri</i> with front leg		root, center of gravity, return of leg, arm control
Kaiten yoko geri	<i>yoko geri</i> from rotation	moto dachi	proper <i>kaiten</i> , preparation with knee and angle of leg, balance, root, arm control, return to position
Kaiten uraken uchi + gyaku tsuki	uraken uchi from rotation + gyaku tsuki		proper <i>kaiten</i> , timing of kaiten and uraken uchi, root, body axis (no "falling forward")

## Renraku waza

(always connect techniques)

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – jun tsuki – mawashi geri	range; connect techniques through hip movement
kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – tsugi ashi kizami mawashi geri	exploit body torsion for <i>tsugi ashi</i>
kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – tsurikomi ashi kizami yoko geri	mawashi geri / tsurikomi ashi yoko geri

### Kata

Shoho Nidan (Kata no. 2)

## **Kumite**

Sonkey kumite: 3 rounds of 2 min each



## Exam to obtain green belt (5th kyu)

#### Kihon

<u>Technique</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Stance</u>	Pay attention to
Choku tsuki	basic punch	in <i>heiko</i> dachi	more root and more power
Kizami mawashi geri	<i>mawashi geri</i> front leg		root, knee/trajectory, return of leg, arm control
Kizami yoko geri (kekomi)	<i>yoko geri</i> front leg		root, preparation of kick (knee), trajectory, return of leg, balance, arm control
Ushiro geri	backwards kick (donkey kick)		preparation with knee and root, angle of foot, balance, arm control, return to position
Ushiro mawashi geri	backwards roundhouse kick from rotation	from <i>moto</i> dachi	proper rotation, preparation with angle of leg/knee knee, heel strikes, balance, arm control, return to position
Kakato geri	axe kick		preparation with knee, angle/trajectory, arm control, return to position
Hiza geri (mae / yoko / mawashi)	knee kick		direction of kick, area of knee hitting, (hip) angle/trajectory, balance, arm control
Mikazuki geri (uchi / ura / ushiro)	crescent kick		proper execution (knee first), trajectory, proper kaiten (for ushiro) area of foot hitting

### Renraku waza

(always connect techniques)

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – <sup>1</sup> jun tsuki – <pause> – gyaku mawashi empi uchi <sup>2</sup> – <sup>2</sup> kizami mawashi geri

use torsion to power following technique; 1 move front foot forward to gain range; 2 tsugi ashi and pendulum movement

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – oikomi gyaku tsuki – tsurikomi ashi mawashi geri

use torsion to power following technique; connect techniques using "cascade" movement forward

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – <pause> – taisabaki chudan ura tsuki – mawashi geri

use scissor tactics for ura tsuki + mawashi geri

kizami tsuki – gyaku tsuki – oikomi gyaku tsuki – <pause> – <sup>taisabaki</sup> ura tsuki – mawashi tsuki – tsugi ashi mawashi geri

connect techniques using "cascade" movement forward for *kizami tsuki + gyaku tsuki + oikomi gyaku tsuki;* use triple scissor tactics for ura tsuki + mawashi tsuki + tsugi ashi mawashi geri

## Kata

Shoho Sandan (Kata no. 3)

#### **Kumite**

Sonkey kumite: 4 rounds of 2 min each



## Exam to obtain blue belt (4th kyu)

### Kihon (renraku waza)

(always repeat on other side)

- 1. yori ashi kisami tsuki kaiten uraken uchi yori ashi gyaku tsuki mawatte (repeat on other side)
- 2. yori ashi age uke tsugi ashi gedan barai kono kaiten gedan barai soto uke same arm mawatte (repeat on other side)
  - whole sequence moving backwards; kono kaiten: kaiten with rotation forward instead of backwards
- 3. yori ashi shita tsuki mawashi tsuki <sup>same arm</sup> kikaishu jun tsuki teosae uke mae geri uchi mawashi shuto uchi haito uchi kikaishu jun tsuki mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup>
  - shita tsuki: like ura tsuki but forward and higher (e.g. solar plexus); kikaishu jun tsuki: jun tsuki with razen; teosae uke: block downwards with open hand; uchi mawashi shuto uchi: shuto uchi starting from opposite body side; haito uchi: like shuto uchi from outside but hit with inside (thumb side) of arm;
- 4. yori ashi soto uke tsugi ashi gedan barai kono kaiten age uke gedan kake uke <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> haiwan uke <sup>same arm</sup> gyaku shomen teisho uchi mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup>
  - whole sequence moving backwards; **kono kaiten**: kaiten with rotation forward instead of backwards; **kake uke**: reverse **gedan barai** to inside; **haiwan uke**: block with thumb side of arm towards outside (similar to **uchi uke**); **teisho uchi**: forward strike with open hand (with heel of hand) to **chudan**; 1: continue/transform movement of **kake uke** (in)to **haiwan uke**
- 5. kizami mae geri mawashi geri gyaku tsuki uraken uchi mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup> kizami mae geri yoko geri uraken uchi gyaku tsuki mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup>
- 6. kizami mae geri ushiro geri kizami tsuki gyaku tsuki mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup> sune uke ushiro mikazuki geri kizami mae geri sasae ashi mae ashi hiza geri mawatte <sup>(repeat on other side)</sup>
  - sune uke: block with leg against gedan mawashi geri; sasae ashi: fast switch of front and back leg

#### Kata

Shoho Yondan (Kata no. 4)

#### **Kumite**

Kumite: 5 rounds of 2 min each



## Exam to obtain 1st brown belt (3rd kyu)

## Kihon (renraku waza)

- perform with correct rhythm
- preceding techniques prepare following techniques
- single and with partner
- 1. kisami tsuki gyaku tsuki mawashi geri gyaku tsuki uraken uchi tsugi ashi yoko geri (don't rotate upper body too far)
- 2. kisami tsuki gyaku tsuki tsugi ashi mawashi geri <sup>(foot down and slide into next technique)</sup> oi tsuki <sup>(quick change of front root for next technique)</sup> gedan mawashi geri
- 3. kisami tsuki gyaku tsuki gyaku oikomi tsurikomi ashi mawashi geri gyaku tsuki mae geri (put down foot) kisami tsuki

#### Kata

Shoho Godan (Kata no. 5)

## **Kumite**

Kumite: 6 rounds of 2 min each



## Exam to obtain 2nd brown belt (2nd kyu)

## Kihon (renraku waza)

- perform with correct rhythm
- preceding techniques prepare following techniques
- single and with partner
- yori ashi gyaku tsuki mae ashi mae geri kisami tsuki gyaku tsuki yori ashi kisami tsuki ushiro geri
- 2. sasae ashi gyaku tsuki ayumi ashi shita tsuki <sup>(same arm)</sup> uraken <sup>(same arm)</sup> yoko geri uraken gyaku tsuki
- 3. yori ashi gyaku tsuki gyaku oikomi mawashi geri gyaku tsuki kaiten yoko geri uraken gyaku tsuki

#### Kata

Shoho Rokudan (Kata no. 6)

#### **Kumite**

Kumite: 7 rounds of 2 min each



## Exam to obtain 3rd brown belt (1st kyu)

## Kihon (renraku waza)

- perform with correct rhythm
- preceding techniques prepare following techniques
- root after each technique
- single and with partner
- 1. mae ashi mae geri gyaku tsuki ashi barai uraken ushiro geri kisami tsuki
- 2. tsurikomi ashi mawashi geri gyaku tsuki hiza geri <sup>(root)</sup> age empi uchi kaiten empi uchi ushiro mikazuki geri
- 3. sasae ashi gedan mawashi geri yama tsuki ayumi ashi hiza geri kisami tsuki gyaku te <sup>(gyaku tsuki</sup> moving back leg in close to fromt leg) tsurikomi ashi mae geri kisami tsuki

## Kata

Shoho Shichidan (Kata no. 7)

Shoho Hachidan (Kata no. 8)

## **Kumite**

Kumite: 8 rounds of 2 min each