



# rules of the examination procedure of the WKU & GCO



## 1 Scope

These rules of the examination procedure are the basis for Kyu- und Dan exams of all sections of martial art in WKU & GCO.

The following Kyu- or Dan-degrees can be obtained by testing or awarding.

### **Kyu-grade (junior)**

5.1.	Kyu	white/yellow belt
5.	Kyu	yellow belt
4.1.	Kyu	yellow/orange belt
4.	Kyu	orange belt
3.1	Kyu	orange/ green belt
3.	Kyu	green belt
2.1.	Kyu	green/ blue belt
2.	Kyu	blue belt
1.1.	Kyu	blue/brown belt
1.	Kyu	brown belt

### **Dan-grades (master's grades)**

1.1.	Dan	white/black belt (youth -Dan/16-17 years)
1.	Dan	black belt
2.	Dan	black belt
3.	Dan	black belt
4.	Dan	black belt
5.	Dan	black belt
6.	Dan	red/white belt
7.	Dan	red/white belt
8.	Dan	red/white belt
9.	Dan	red belt
10.	Dan	red belt

Within the first 5 Dan-grades stripes can be taken to distinguish them.

Graduations up to and including the 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan are taken through technical review, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Dan can also be received through examinations. Awards from the 6<sup>th</sup> Dan grades onwards are given by the WKU & GCO. The white/ black belt (youth-Dan) can be worn from 16 to 18, than there will be an examination for the 1<sup>st</sup> Dan.

Graduations in the children and youth sector (up to 14), for example "Spitze" can be controlled within the association.

## 2 Examination responsibilities

The competent sections of the WKU & GCO are responsible for all exams. The same is true within the police and the other comparable authorities.

Announced Kyu-exams up to und including the 2<sup>nd</sup> Kyu-grade can be carried out within the association. The examination for the 1<sup>st</sup> Kyu-grade will be run at state level; Dan-examinations are carried out in consultation between the competent sections and the WKU & GCO committee at least on state level.

### 3 Verification of examinations

The specialized sections and the WKU & GCO committee reserve the right to check the examinations in the clubs on their correct implementation and they have voting and auditing rights.

### 4 Performance of tests

Exams must be registered. To get the examination papers (certificates, applications, lists, belts and so on) on time you have to apply in written for the Kyu-exams at least one month before and for the Dan-exams at least two month before doing the exam.

Generally each examinee must own a valid WKU & GCO - passport und must be actively engaged in the tested martial art.

The fee regulations of the WKU & GCO control the system of examination fees to be paid.

After termination the exam the examination list must be duly completed and with the signature of the examiner/ examiners handed over to the person responsible for the examination system.

#### 4.1 preparation time for examinations

- for the 5 <sup>th</sup> Kyu	one year	
- for the 4 <sup>th</sup> Kyu	one year	
- for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Kyu	one year	
- for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kyu	one year	
- for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Kyu	one year	minimum age 15 years
- for the 1.1 Kyu	one year	minimum age 16 years
Black/white belt for youngsters		
- for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Dan	one year	minimum age 18 years
- for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dan	two years	
- for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dan	three years	
- for the 4 <sup>th</sup> Dan	four years	
- for the 5 <sup>th</sup> Dan	five years	minimum age 42 years
- for the 6 <sup>th</sup> to the 8 <sup>th</sup> Dan	every five years	
- 9 <sup>th</sup> Dan and 10 <sup>th</sup> Dan	possible, for lifetime achievement.	

The preparation time is no waiting period but represents a minimum requirement.

Deviations from these are regulated by the examination programs of the individual styles and martial arts.

A shortening of the preparation time of the Kyu/Dan examination is possible only once and only in special cases and has to apply in written at the person responsible for the examination system.

From the examination for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan onwards the evidence of the coaching qualification -C- must be provided and submitted in written.

#### 4.2 Assessment of techniques

The reviews are classified in „—“, in „+“and in „0“.

„—“	corresponds to	serious errors; worse overall impression
„0“	corresponds to	a few errors; satisfactory overall impression
„+“	corresponds to	correct performance; minor failing; good to very good overall impression



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### **5 Examiner licence**

An examiner licence can acquire, who:

- has obtained a Dan degree
- is actively engaged in the martial art
- participates in courses and training offered by WKU & GCO – at least once a year and
- meets the requirements of a prescribed examiner licence training course.

An extension of the examiner licence is possible once a year when participating a prescribed training course which is in the area of authority of the person responsible for the examination system. All authorized examiners are recorded in a list. The examiner licence shall be held in an examination and presented on request of the examinee or the coach.

### **6 Examination requirements**

A martial artist, who takes place in an examination, must meet the following requirements:

- be a full member of the WKU & GCO
- be an owner of a WKU & GCO - passport
- fulfil section 4.1
- be in possession of a medical certificate which is not older than 12 months
- have to prove at least one course at state or federal level per year of preparation time
- from 1<sup>st</sup> Kyu (brown) and with each Dan-examination there must be a recommendation of the Association Board for the examiners
- from the examination to 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu (green) and with each Dan-examination a written report shall be submitted. The topic will be given by the person responsible for the examination system and in exceptional cases by the coach.
- for the examination for a master's degree a valid First-Aid course certificate must be provided (not older than two years)

### **7 Awarding**

An award is possible and is regulated in the honorary order, but there is no entitlement.

### **8 Acknowledgment**

Related styles can be classified by review, but there is no entitlement.

### **9 Supplement**

These rules of examination procedure were decided by the working session of the bureau of WKU & GCO.

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The committee of the WKU & GCO