

Regulation of Nanbudo Grades

Nanbu Doshu Soke's health problems no longer allowing him to move around as before, this regulation was decided with him, both in terms of operation and the content of Dan and Kyu grades.

The few changes that have been made are only related to the death of our Doshu Soke.

Establishment of the International Grading Commission (IGC) chaired by Dai Shihan Stéphane Carel.

The International Technical Direction is established as the International Grading Commission.

The object of the IGC is:

-To supervise the whole issue of grades in order to preserve the full value of grades and titles in their progress, their hierarchy, their harmony in order to preserve the qualifications, responsibilities and representations of Nanbudo

-To encourage a continuous adaptation of the regulations of the grades while preserving the fundamental and traditional notions of these

-To ensure their compliance with the technical content of competitions.

-To validate the composition of National Grade Commissions (NGC) and train their members

- To check the conditions of organization and obtaining of grades :

The IGC may send a Dai Shihan to verify that the NGC is acting in accordance with the rules set for obtaining Nanbudo grades.

The International Grading Commission may change any member of the National Commission to ensure the proper functioning of the Jury.

The International Grading Commission will evaluate each national commission independently, according to the internal factors of each country

- To organize the grade examinations in places where there are no national grade commissions and for certain grades. After studying records, the IGC may also appoint a qualified jury to carry out a grade assessment. It may also request the presence of Hanshi in the Jury it will have approved.

-The IGC decides by a majority of its members

The IGC, on a proposal or not by the President of the WNF, unanimously by its members, may exceptionally award a grade that does not respect these rules.

The President of the IGC conducts the IGC, ensures compliance with the defined rules and ensures the link with the WNF.

IGC members cannot be members of a NGC.

The Dai Shiha may attend the grade examination of the National Grade Commissions if so desired by them to give greater solemnity and importance to these grades and they can also invite other personalities.

1st, 2nd and 3rd dan : National level

- A National Grading Commission (NGC) is created with 5 members, minimum 5th dan, accredited by the IGC

-Les membres de la CNG ne peuvent pas être ni Président, vice-président, trésorier, trésorier adjoint, secrétaire général ou secrétaire général adjoint de la fédération nationale ni directeur technique national ou directeur technique adjoint

NGC members may not be President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Assistant-Treasurer, Secretary General or Deputy Secretary General of the National Federation nor National Technical Director or Deputy Technical Director

* However, for countries where this is necessary, the IGC may grant derogations or mandate senior officials from other nations to help.

-The president of the National Grading Commission is appointed with the agreement of the President of the National Federation, the National Technical Director if there is one and the IGC. He leads the CNG and ensures the smooth progress of the proposal to obtain a grade at the NGC for transmission to the IGC.

-The National Grading Commission guarantees the rules of grade examinations :

-They can only be carried out during national or international courses (neither informally, nor in club training courses, nor in interclub training courses nor in competitions) where a minimum of 3 members of the NGC are present.

-The conditions for obtaining grades and the grades program must be respected.

-The modalities of passage may be different depending on the country (jury and formal passage, in the form of demonstration, ...) but approved by the IGC

-The NGC rules by a majority of its members before transmission to the IGC.

4th and 5th dan : International level

These grades can be presented during international training courses where a member of the IGC is present. The latter will refer it to the IGC, which will decide.

6th dan and more : International level during a training course with a member of the International Technical Direction

These grades can only be presented during a training course directed by led by a member of the International Technical Direction who will refer to the IGC, which will decide.

Conditions for obtaining grades

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Minimum Age	16	18	21	25	30	36	43	51	60
Minimum number of years of practice between 2 grades		2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	6 years	7 years	8 years	9 years
number of WNF licenses	2	4	7	11	16	22	29	37	45

Program for grades

	1º DAN	2º DAN	3º DAN	4º DAN	5º DAN
TECHNICAL BASIS	All basic 5 Nage	10 Nage	15 Nage	20 Nage	All Nage
COMBINATIONS	Kihon Renzoku Waza So Tai Renzoku Waza Kaiten Renzoku Waza				
RANDORI	10 Different Randoris	14	18	All	All
SOTAI RANDORI	6 Different Sotais	14	20	All	All
SHIHOTAI KATA	6 Different Shiho Tai	7	7	7	7
KATA	5 Different Kata	8	10	12	All
KIDOHO	Ki Nanbu Taiso Tenchi Undo 1 Keiraku 1	Tenchi Undo 2 Keiraku 2-3	Tenchi Undo 3 Shizen No Ki Undo Keiraku 4-5	Tenchi Undo 4 Nanbu Kidoho Keiraku 6-7	Shoshuten Daishuten
NORYOKU KAIHATSUHO	Seikozaho (Mitsu and Nanatsu no chikara basic for rei) Dojo Kun	Nanatsu No Chikara (Total)	Explanation Nanbudo Emblem		Involvement and commitment to Nanbudo

Technical requirements for grades 1st to 5th dan

- **1st dan, Fukushidoin** : student level

The Budoho technical bases are acquired, there are no coordination problems, the gesture demonstrates Nanbudo

Confirmation of the 1st kyu with an opening on Kidoho

A first dan being able to open a club: knowledge of etiquette, including mitsu no chikara and nanatsu no chikara for salute.

- **2nd dan shidoin** : accepted disciple level

The progression attitude / positions / power / precision is clearer, the mental more affirmed. Nanatsu no chikara and mantra are known

- **3rd dan Kyoshi** : confirmed disciple level

Shin / Gi / Tai are more unified. The efficiency is obvious.

The gestural demonstration is perfect and can be taught without major defects
Begins to unify Budoho and Kidoho, work on the mind.

- **4th dan Sensei Kyoshi** : expert level

Technical and mental perfection from which initiation to true mastery can begin.

Budoho and Kidoho are linked with Noryoku Kaihatsuho.

“Breathes” Nanbudo in his being and his technique.

- **5th dan Shihan Dai**: preparation to Mastery

Kidoho, Budoho, Noryaku Kaihatsuho are mastered, can be explained, transmitted.

The principles are known, can be freed from the codification to return there by giving sense.

Cannot go back, Nanbudo is the choice of a life.

True mastery can begin.

Preparatory stage to Shihan.