



USJA Senior Recommendation for Validation of Judo Rank

ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE TYPED TO BE ACCEPTED

Recommendation for Validation Effective - February 2025
 This corresponds to the "USJA Judo Rank Promotion System"

Name of Candidate <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	Date of birth <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
Home address <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Contact phone number <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>	Email address <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
USJA # <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/>	Current Rank <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>
	Date of Rank <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

Rank applying for <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Free first-time Validation	The validation process is a once-in-a-lifetime event for each person.
Study time required* <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>	Study time actual <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>	Date you started your study of Judo <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	

Club name <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>		
Coach name <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/>	USJA # <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/>	Rank <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/>

The "USJA Senior Recommendation for Validation of Judo Rank" form has instructions for completion and lists all current validation fees. The examiner(s) will complete the "USJA Senior Recommendation for Validation of Judo Rank" form, recommend the new member to the rank they believe the new member is qualified to hold, and send it with the appropriate validation fee to the USJA National Office for processing. **The candidate must be tested to the requirements in effect for all ranks up to and including proposed. When validating, you must include the completed tests for all ranks up to and including proposed. Documentation must be typed and sent to the National Office.**

Upon receipt of the documented information and validation form with associated paperwork, the USJA National Office will forward to the Promotion Board (PB) for review. If approved, a new card and rank certificate will be issued.

When considering someone for validation remember this requires documentation on many years of studying Judo and although significant just because someone excels in competition this is only part of the requirements that must be met. There must be an equivalent time equal to the time one who have spent going through each rank up to the recommended rank. All forms and documents must be typed unless waived in writing by the PB.

Equivalent time: This is the recommended minimum the applicant must have spent in the study of judo from the start of their study to the date of the recommendation for Validation.

Rank	Min study time	Rank	Min study time	Rank	Min study time
6 th Kyu	3 months	5 th Kyu	5 months	4 th Kyu	7 months
3 rd Kyu	10 months	2 nd Kyu	11 months	1 st Kyu	12 months
1 st Dan	1 years	2 nd Dan	3 years	3 rd Dan	4 years
4 th Dan or above Dan	Dan + 1 year				



Testing: Every person recommended for validation must be tested and meet all requirements.

You must attach a detailed list of your training, studying and competition.

Training and Study: List the names of all dojo you trained. Include the dates, head instructor name and phone number.

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Name of dojo</i>	<i>Dates from to</i>	<i>Head Instructor</i>	<i>Phone number</i>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Name of dojo</i>	<i>Dates from to</i>	<i>Head Instructor</i>	<i>Phone number</i>
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<i>Name of dojo</i>	<i>Dates from to</i>	<i>Head Instructor</i>	<i>Phone number</i>

Rank validation sought by candidate	Required rank and number of CREs
Kyu grades	One 1st dan or above
1st Dan	One CRE or above
2nd Dan	One RCRE or above
3rd Dan	One NCRE or above
4th Dan or above	One MCRE or above and approved by the PB

VERIFICATION- examination and certification of eligibility.

Those signing below have active USJA membership and required judo rank, certify they tested/witnessed and/or verified the applicant's documentation, and state the applicant is qualified for promotion. Do not sign below unless you approve of this promotion and/ or have tested, witnessed, verified documentation or have firsthand knowledge of the applicant and eligibility for this promotion. For Validation you must test for all ranks up to including the recommended one.

SIGN OFF ONLY IF THE CONDITIONS ABOVE ARE MET. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES THAT YOU TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY FEEL THE INFORMATION IS ACCURATE AND THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED. THE APPLICANT AND EVERYONE SIGNING OFF ARE ETHICALLY BOUND BY THIS CERTIFICATION

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Applicant name (print)</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>USJA #</i>	<i>Date</i>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Coach name (print)</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>USJA #</i>	<i>Date</i>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Examiner name (print)</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>USJA #</i>	<i>Date</i>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<i>Examiner name (print)</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>USJA #</i>	<i>Date</i>
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<i>Examiner name (print)</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>USJA #</i>	<i>Date</i>



Please refer to the "**USJA Judo Rank Promotion System**" for all Promotion Requirements. It can be purchased on the USJA website.

CHECK LIST If emailing, please use: support@usja.net

- RVP form is complete. Make sure you have the correct form. This form and all documents must be typed.
- Sign-off by applicant, Head Coach and Examiners/CRE; Include rank and examiner level.
- Candidate must pass exam.
- Candidate must have current USJA membership (Annual or SLM with Chartered USJA Club).
- Black Belt Candidates must have a current Background check.
- Black Belt Candidates must have a current and completed Safe Sport Certification or NFHS.
- Black Belt Candidates must have a current and completed CDC Heads Up Certification or NFHS.
- Candidate meets or exceeds TIG.
- Include a Judo Biography.
- Include a Photo (Passport type).
- Copy of all certifications such as coaching, referee, etc., that are not USJA certifications.

When resubmitting you MUST include everything, not just what may be missing. A video of skills and kata highly recommended.

Any notes or comments the applicant wishes to make:

Validation Fees Dan ranks include Black Belt certification.

6th Kyu to 4th - \$85

3rd Kyu - \$105

2nd Kyu - \$125

1st Kyu - \$145

1st Dan - \$335

2nd Dan - \$385

3rd Dan - \$435

4th Dan or above - \$485

Payment fee check #

Charge my credit card type



Date

Name on card (print)

Card Number

Expiration Date

Security code