

Oxford Kendo Club Kyu Grading outline

	Grade	Minimum Delay		Minimum age	Minimum Clothes req.	Examinations	Ref. Tasks required by AJKF Bokken kihon keiko ho			
		General	Practice periods required for Primary school students							
Ref. BKA	Ikkyu (1st Kyu)	6 months of BKA membership (either 6months full or 3 months temporary, followed by 3 months full).		12 years		Kirikaeshi, Ji-geiko, Kata (Tachi; 1st to 3rd), Written paper	Kihon 1 to 9			
Kendo	Nikyu (2nd Kyu)	6 months of Oxford (or BKA) kendo club membership Or Have practiced kendo at least for 6 months		6 months after obtaining 3rd kyu.	11 years	Keiko-gi, Hakame, Full armour.	-Kirikaeshi x1 (both Kakari & Motodachi) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1, kote-Men x 1, kote-do x1, Kote-Men-Do x1. -Oji waza; Men suriage Men, Men kaeshi Do, Men nuki Do, Kote suriage Men. -Ji-geiko -Kata (Tachi; 1st to 3rd, ref to Note 4)	Kihon 1 to 6		
	Sankyu (3rd Kyu)			6 months after obtaining 4th kyu.	10 years		-Kirikaeshi x1 (both Kakari & Motodachi) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1, kote-Men x 1, kote-do x1, Kote-Men-Do x1 -Oji waza; Men suriage Men, Men kaeshi Do, Men nuki Do, Kote suriage Men. -Ji-geiko	Kihon 1 to 4		
	Yonkyu (4th Kyu)			6th months after obtaining 5th kyu.	9 years		-Kirikaeshi x1 (both Kakari & Motodachi) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1, kote-Men x 1, kote-do x1, Kote-Men-Do x1 Men taiatari Men x1.			
	Gokyu (5th Jyu)			6 months after obtaining 6th kyu.	8 years	Kendo-gi, Hakama.	-Kirikaeshi x1 (Kakari) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1, kote-Men x 1, kote-do x1, Kote-Men-Do x1.			
	Rokkyu (6th Kyu)			6 months after obtaining 7th kyu.	7 years		-Kirikaeshi x1 (Kakari) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1.			
	Nanakyu (7th Kyu)			6 months Kendo practice	6 years		-Kirikaeshi x1 (Kakari) -Kihon waza; Men x 1, Kote x 1, Do x 1.			
	Hakkyu (8th kyu)			3th months of Oxford (or BKA) kendo club membership Or Have practiced kendo at least for 3 months		3 months Kendo practice		Sport wears	Jyou-ge suburi x 10, 3 kyo-do suburi x 5, 2 kyodo suburi x 5, Zenshin Kotai Shoumen suburi x 10, Zenshin Kotai Sayu suburi x 10,	
	Kyukyu (9th kyu)								Tachi-rei, Za-rei, Tachiaino-rei, Sonkyo to Chu-dan kamae, Chudankamae to sonkyo osametou, Zenshin Kotai Okuri-ashi (1-2-3-4) x 2, Sayu ashi sabaki (1-2-3-4) x 2.	
	Jikkyu (10th kyu)								Count 1 to 10 in Japanese, Tell names of shinai-parts, Sage-To, Tai-To, Tai-To --> Kamae to, Hold shinai correctly in Kamae, Kamae --> Osame To (in standing)	

- Note**
- Judging panel is consist of 3 people who have a 3rd dan grade or higher and one of whom needs to have minimum 4th dan. (tbc)
 - Person who has not obtained any kyu grade can take an examination for a grade which the minimum age requirement is satisfied as far as the general of the minimum delay conditions are met.
 - Jumping kyu grade can be possible if panels agree within minimum age requirements
 - Kata is an optional for junior. No fail on Kata. The purpose is only to prepare and practice for 1st Kyu grading.
 - 10th Kyu to 8th Kyu can be awarded by an assessment during a practice session on conditions that three Oxford club members holding 3rd dan or higher agree. (tbc)
 - Person who takes 7th Kyu or above from No Kyu grade is required to demonstrate meeting all 10th to 8th Kyu grade satisfactory (in advance? tbc)