

Table 1: Requirements for Kyu Grading Examinations

Kyu Applied for	Attire	Minimum Requirements	Notes
6 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; • Tare; and • Do. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chakuso (candidates may be seated or standing, but must display appropriate shosa throughout the event) • Reiho; shomen-ni-rei (ritsu-rei), taito, two steps forward, battou as the third step is taken forward and sonkyo, stand-up and chudan-no-kamae; • Ashisabaki; • Suburi; • Kihon-waza (twice), inclusive of kihon men; kihon kote; and kihon do; and • With the motodachi: chudan-no-kamae, sonkyo, noutou, stand up, 5 steps back, sage-tou, shomen-ni-rei. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against the motodachi.
5 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; • Tare; and • Do. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chakuso; • Reiho; • Ashisabaki; • Kihon-waza (twice), inclusive of kihon men; kihon kote; kihon do; and kiri-kaeshi against the motodachi (once); and • With the motodachi: chudan-no-kamae, sonkyo, noutou, stand up, 5 steps back, sage-tou, shomen-ni-rei. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against the motodachi.
4 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; and • A full bogu set. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chakuso; • Reiho; • Kihon-waza (twice), inclusive of kihon men; kihon kote; and kihon do; • Nidan-waza (twice), inclusive of kihon kote-men; and kihon kote-do; • Kiri-kaeshi as a kakarite and motodachi (once each); and • Uchikomi-geiko (once each). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against each other. • Safety considerations and resources may be needed for uchikomi-geiko.
3 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; and • A full bogu set. 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chakuso; • Reiho; • Kihon-waza (twice), inclusive of kihon men; kihon kote; and kihon do; • Nidan-waza (twice), inclusive of: kihon kote-men; and kihon kote-do; • Sandan-waza (once), inclusive of: kote-men-do; • Kiri-kaeshi as a kakarite and motodachi (once each); and • Uchikomi-geiko (once each). <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bokutoniyoru Kendo Kihonwaza Keikoho (Kihon 1 to Kihon 4). 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against each other. • Safety considerations and resources may be needed for uchikomi-geiko. <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliates have the discretion to decide whether all 3 Kyu candidates or only those satisfying Stage 1 requirements are allowed to proceed to complete Stage 2 requirements. • Candidates may perform either the kakarite role or the motodachi role.
2 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; and • A full bogu set. 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiri-kaeshi as a kakarite and motodachi (once each); • Uchikomi-geiko (once each); • Kakari-geiko (once each); and • Jitsugi (twice). <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bokutoniyoru Kendo Kihonwaza Keikoho (Kihon 1 to Kihon 6). 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against each other. • Safety considerations and resources may be needed for uchikomi-geiko, kakari-geiko and jitsugi. <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliates have the discretion to decide whether all 2 Kyu candidates or only those satisfying Stage 1 requirements are allowed to proceed to complete Stage 2 requirements. • Candidates may perform either the kakarite role or the motodachi role.
1 Kyu	Candidates wearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendo-gi; • Hakama; and • A full bogu set. 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiri-kaeshi as a kakarite and motodachi (once each); • Uchikomi-geiko (once each); • Kakari-geiko (once each); and • Jitsugi (twice). <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bokutoniyoru Kendo Kihonwaza Keikoho (Kihon 1 to Kihon 9). 	<p>Stage 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates demonstrate kihon-waza against each other. • Safety considerations and resources may be needed for uchikomi-geiko, kakari-geiko and jitsugi. <p>Stage 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliates have the discretion to decide whether all 1 Kyu candidates or only those satisfying Stage 1 requirements are allowed to proceed to complete Stage 2 requirements. • Candidates may perform either the kakarite role or the motodachi role.