



USJA (ACE) Aikido Certified Examiners Division

Request for Validation on Senior Aikido Rank

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Section 1 - Information and Instructions

- Use this form to validate the senior rank of a new or prospective member who presently has no rank credentials or has credentials which are not recognized by the U.S. National Governing Body, but who is otherwise qualified to hold a Senior Rank in the opinion of the validating official.
- This form should be submitted with a USJA Membership Application and current membership dues for all applicants who are not presently members of the United States Judo Association. All Life Members must have current USJA insurance.
- All entries must be typed or printed clearly. Every section must be completed or the words "not applicable" or "unknown" entered. Forms not properly filled out will be returned for correction to the recommending official.
- Fees for validation of rank are as follows: \$30.00 for 6th through 4th kyu, \$35.00 for 3rd through 1st kyu, \$125 for Shodan, \$150.00 for Nidan, \$175.00 for Sandan, etc., (Add \$25 for each additional rank.).
- Validations for Yodan and above require a separate, non-refundable check for processing in the amount of **\$30.00**. Applicants should note that the policy of the USJA Board of Directors recommends that all black belts start their Life Membership.
- Membership. You may make payments or complete your Life Membership In Section 7 of this application. Total Life Membership is currently \$400; minimum payment is **\$30.00**.
- All recommendations for , (validation must be submitted to the USJA (ACE) Aikido Certified Examiners Division Committee / Promotion Board Secretary to keep a file on all Aikidoka). Kyu grade must be signed by a USJA Black Belt. If the validation is for a Dan grade, then the validation must be signed by a USJA (ACE Certified Examiners Division who is at least two grades higher than the one that the new member is being validated for. Validations for a Dan grade should include recommendations from one or more endorsing officials. Validations for the rank of Yodan or higher must be approved by the USJA (ACE) Aikido Certified Examiner Division Committee / Promotion Board.
- Photocopies of the applicant's Aikidoka's credentials (if any and a Passport Photo of all Black Belts) should be attached and submitted with this request.
- Please make all checks or money orders payable to "USJA" and mail to the above address.

Section 2 - Information on Applicant

Name: _____ ☐ Credentials not recognized ☐ Does not possess credential
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____
Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Age Started Martial Art: _____
Current Club: _____ For How Long? _____
USJA Club Number: _____ Total Club Membership: _____ Class Clubs: _____
Club Duties (Coach, Secretary, etc.): _____
Rank Date (if any): _____ Time -in-Grade (if any): _____

Section 3 - Information and Instructions

Recommended For (Rank): _____ Martial Art: _____
Recommended Rank Date (if for existing rank): _____
This Validation Is For: () Existing rank issued () Without proper credentials () Best qualified rank Other (Explain): _____



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Section 7 - Certification and Recommendation

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have been examined and accept the rank recommended for me.

Signature of Applicant

I have examined the applicant by administering the proper USJA Senior Aikido Rank Examination. I find the applicant fully qualified and recommend this validation.

Signature of Examiner

Validation Fee Enclosed: _____

Printed name, rank and membership number of the USJA examiner.
Must be USJA Certified Examiner for Nidan or above).

Life membership Payment Enclosed: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Date Recommended: _____

Section 8 - Additional Endorsements

Comments by First Endorsing Official:

Comments by Second Endorsing Official:

Signature of Second Endorsing Official

Printed name, rank and membership number of official

Section 9 - Processing

Please return credentials to

☐ Examiner
☐ Member

Reserved for USJA Processing.