**2019 AUSKF Iaido Summer Camp & Jodo Seminar**

Iaido Written Shinsa Application

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**Answer two questions** from the group of questions for the rank for which you are testing.

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**First Kyu Candidates:**

1. List the names of the twelve All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata. Include a short English translation for each.

2. Describe the proper way of gripping the katana when cutting.

3. Why are you studying Iaido? What do you hope to accomplish?

**Shodan Candidates:**

1. *Tsuki* (thrusts) occur in five of the ZNKR Iai kata. Name these katas, and identify the target areas.

2. Draw a simple diagram of a katana, label as many parts as you can.

3. What is *kirioroshi*? Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.

**Nidan Candidates:**

1. Discuss *zanshin*. Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.

2. The blade of the katana is divided into 3 parts; describe the use of each part.

3. What is meant by the term *Iai-goshi*? Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.

**Sandan Candidates:**

1. What is *metsuke*? Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.

2. Describe how to clean a sword (shinken and/or iaito).

3. Discuss *jo-ha-kyu*.

**Yondan Candidates:**

1. Define *hasuji* and discuss its importance in Iaido.

2. What is *saya biki*? Why do we do it?

3. Explain *fudo-shin*.

**Godan Candidates:**

1. Describe the *hara (tanden)* and explain its importance for Iaido.

2. What is meant by *saya-no-uchi?*How does it apply to AJKF Iaido?

3. What is important when teaching Iaido to beginners?

**Rokudan Candidates:**

1. What is *Kigurai?* How is it developed?

2. Explain the importance of *Reiho.* How should it be taught?

3. What are *Maa* and Ma-ai? Describe how to teach them in Iaido.

**ANSWERS:** (List the number you are answering followed by your response, i.e. – 1. My answer)

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**First Kyu Candidates:**

1. List the names of the 12 kihon.

2. What is the command to bow to each other?

3. Describe your reason for beginning to practice Jodo.

**Shodan Candidates:**

1. List the names of the 12 All Japan Kendo Federation Jodo kata.

2. Describe two safety checks for your own person before starting jodo training.

3. What is the purpose of Jodo training?

**Nidan Candidates:**

1. What is Kiai, and what are the two Kiai used in All Japan Kendo Federation Jodo?

2. Explain what is meant by Ki-Jo-Tai-Ichi.
3. Describe how to enter the beginning position in the sixth kata, Monomi.

**Sandan Candidates:**

1. Describe how to enter the beginning position in the seventh kata, Kasumi.
2. Name the initial kamae taken for the number 2, 3 and 7 All Japan Kendo Federation Jodo katas.
3. Describe the meanings and types of Rei.

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