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### How to count points

Calculation of points for class D (Sr. & Veteran Competition)

Score	2 Ranks Lower	1 Rank Lower	Same Rank	1 Rank Higher	2 Ranks Higher	3 Ranks Higher
Ippon	1/3	1/2	1	1 1/2	2	3
Waza-ari	1/6	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/2

Calculation of points for Kata Competition

	National	Regional	Local
1 <sup>st</sup> place	1.0 pt.	1/2 pt.	1/2 pt.
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	1/2 pt.	1/3 pt.	1/3 pt.
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	1/3 pt.	1/6 pt.	1/6 pt.

### Competitor Classifications

- A.** Team member of the Olympics, World Championship, and/or Pan-American Games. Placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> at Class A international tournament.
- B.** Placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> at a Grand Slam or Grand Prix. A kata competitor who places 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> at the World kata Championships.
- C.** Placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> at regional blackbelt divisions. Placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Fall Classic Tournament, President's Cup, national Collegiate, Youth and Scholastic nationals, US Senior Nationals, USJF/USJA Summer and Winter nationals or any non-point qualifying international competition. Kata competitors that have been invited to officially represent the United States in an IJF or PJC sanctioned international events.
- D.** Competes in shiai and/or kata in any sanctioned tournament and earns points based on performance, according to the number of wins and rank of opponents, which includes Veteran's competition at local, regional, state, national and international competition.

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**Time In Grade for Class A, B, and C Competitors**

Class	A (See information above for details)	B (See information above for details)	C (See information above for details)	D	Min Age
Shodan	None	None	None	Points earned	14-16
Nidan	½ yrs.	1 yr.	1 ½ yrs.	Points earned	17-18
Sandan	1 yr.	2 yrs.	2 ½ yrs.	Points earned	19-20
Yodan	1 ½ yrs.	3 ½ yrs.	4 yrs.	Points earned	21-22
Godan	3 yrs.	5 yrs.	6 yrs.	Points earned	23-24
Rokudan	5 yrs.	7 yrs.	9 yrs.	Points earned	27
Shichidan	7 yrs.	9 yrs.	11 yrs.	Points earned	33

Additional reduction of 5% time in grade with Regular Life Membership and 6% to 10% for level dependent President's Club Life Membership.

**Time In Grade for Class C Kata Competitors who place 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> at Pan American Kata Championship**

Nidan	Sandan	Yodan	Godan	Rokudan	Shichidan
1 yr.3m	2 yrs.3m	3 yrs.8m	5 yrs.8m	8 yrs.8m	10 yrs.8m

Additional reduction of 5% time in grade with Regular Life Membership and 6% to 10% for level dependent President's Club Life Membership.

**Time in Grade for Class D Competitors  
(Sr. Division Shiai Competitors; Veterans & Kata Competitors (V-K))**

For Promotion to the rank of	Time in Grade	Non competitor	5 pts	10 pts	15 pts	20 pts	Min Age
Gokyu	12 classes/ 1 month						
Yonkyu	24 classes/ 2 months						
Sankyū	TIG as Yonkyū	5 months	3 months	0 months			
Nikyū	TIG as Sankyū	9 months	6 months	3 months	0 months		

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Ikkyu	TIG as Nikyu	1 year	9 months	6 months	3 months	0 months	
Shodan	TIG as Ikkyu	2 years	D. 1 ½ year V-K 1 yr. 9m	D. 1 year V-K 1 yr. 3m	D. 6m V-K 9m	None	14-16 years
Nidan	TIG as Shodan	4 years	D. 3 ½ yrs. V-K 3 yrs. 9m	D. 3 yrs V-K 3 yrs. 3m	D. 2 ½ yrs. V-K 2 yrs. 9m	D. 2 yrs. V-K 2 yrs. 3m	17-19 years
Sandan	TIG as Nidan	6 years	D. 4 ½ yrs V-K 4 yrs. 9m	D. 4 years V-K 4 yrs. 3m	D. 3 yrs. 6m V-K 3 yrs. 9m	D. 3 years V-K 3yrs 3m	19-20 years
Yodan	TIG as Sandan	8 years	D. 6 yrs. V-K 6 yrs. 3m	D. 5 ½ yrs. V-K 5 yrs. 9m	D. 5 yrs. V-K 5yrs. 3m	D. 4 ½ yrs. V-K 4yrs. 9m	21-22 years
Godan	TIG as Yodan	10 years	D.8 years V-K 8 yrs. 3m	D. 7 ½ yrs. V-K 7 yrs. 9m	D. 7 years V-K 7 yrs. 3m	D. 6 ½ yrs. V-K 6yrs 9m	23-24 years
Rokudan	TIG as Godan	12 years	D. 11 yrs. V-K 11yrs 3m	D. 10 ½ yrs. V-K 10yrs9m	D. 10 years V-K 10yrs 3m	D. 9 ½ yrs V-K 9 yrs 9m	27 years
Shichidan	TIG as Rokudan	15 years	D. 13 years V-K 13 yrs9m	D 12.6 yrs. V-K 12 yrs9m	D. 12 years V-K 12 yrs3m	D. 11.6 yrs. V-K 11 yrs9m	33 years

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