

BRITISH KENDO ASSOCIATION

Overseas Grading Procedure

Members wishing to apply for grading events held outside of the UK are required to apply for confirmation of eligibility to grade in advance of applying.

The Director of International Relations can issue a certificate of eligibility which should be used to support your application and provides the required proof that the have the permissions required. There is no charge for this.

Please apply to the Director of International Relations at least one calendar month before the event <u>entry</u> deadline stating the following information:

About the Applicant:

- 1. Full Name
- 2. BKA Number
- 3. Full Mailing Address
- 4. Email address
- 5. Date of Birth
- 6. Copy of last Menjo

About the Grading:

- 1. Date of Grading
- 2. Place of Grading
- 3. Discipline being graded in (Kendo, laido, Jodo)
- 4. Grade Applied for
- 5. Head of Grading Panel (if known)
- 6. Contact information for grading application.

Please send applications to:

Membership Secretary by email to: <u>member.secretary@kendo.org.uk</u> Or by email to: <u>BKADirectorInternationalAffair@gmail.com</u>

Please be aware that there is no consistent worldwide procedure with grading application requirements. Some events will require the applicant to apply individually with a letter of authorisation other, typically larger events require applications from a member country to be collated and entered by the home organisation. Any information the applicant is able to supply to ensure the application follows the required procedure will help to ensure

For most overseas gradings the BKA do not get notified of the results. Please notify the membership secretary of your result and for passes provide a copy of the menjo as proof to allow the grading to be entered into the national grading register.

The BKA reserves the right to not recognise grades awarded at events where the member has not applied for and received prior authorisation. This authorisation will not be unreasonably withheld.