

Iaido Grading Questions



West Midlands Seminar 2025

Shodan and Nidan

1. Detail the grading points for: Morotezuki
2. Detail the grading points for: Sougiri
3. How should Chudan No Kamae be made?
4. What is the minimum recommended distance between yourself and your nearest neighbour when training?
5. Name 3 of the basic Kamae found in Iaido, and in which Seitei kata they appear in.
6. Explain what is meant by "Chakuso".

Sandan and Yondan

1. Detail the grading points for: Tsukaate
2. Detail the grading points for: Ganmenate
3. Explain the position of the body and sword when assuming Hidari Jodan No Kamae.
4. What does the term Sayabanare translate as, and what does it refer to when performing a nukitsuke action?
5. Explain the purpose of a Risk Assessment.
6. You are demonstrating the kata Sougiri to a group of lower grades. Other than the chakuganten from the Seitei manual, give 3 points you would emphasise as important.

References

- ZNKR Iaido Manual.
- The Regulations of Iaido Shiai and Shinpan.
- BKA Coaching Course Documents (Level 1 and 2).
- Examiner Mentoring Programme Stage 1 Briefing Document.
- Websites:
<http://iaidojodotraining.blogspot.com/2014/05/parts-of-sword.html>

Deadlines for Questions

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