UNITED STATES JU-JITSU FEDERATION

*The National Governing Body for USA Ju-Jitsu* **®** *& USA Jiu-Jitsu* **®** *in the United States of America*

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# *REQUEST FOR VALIDATION OF JU-JITSU / JIU-JITSU / JUJUTSU RANK*

## Information USJJF Rank Validation Form, Effective: 11/2/2023

1. Use this form to validate the Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu Rank of a new or prospective member who presently does not have acceptable rank credentials, and although may be technically valid, has no rank card or certificate from a recognized organization as defined by the National Technical Committee of the USJJF.
2. This from is to be submitted with a USJJF Membership Application for all applicants who are not presently members of the United States Ju-Jitsu Federation.
3. All entries must be typed or printed clearly. Every section must be completed or the words “not applicable” or “unknown” entered. Forms not properly completed will be returned to recommending official for correction.
4. USJJF **Rank Validation** and Certification - **Kyu Ranks**: 10th to 7th Kyu **-** $45.00, 6th to 4th Kyu - $55.00, 3rd to 1st Kyu - $65.00. **Yudansha Ranks:** Black Belt - $250, Shodan - $300, Nidan - $350, Sandan - $400, Yondan - $450, Godan - $500, Rokudan - $550, Shichidan - $600, Hachidan - $650, Kudan - $700, Judan - $800.
5. (**Note:** *Life Members* pay only a “flat fee” of **$150.00** for any Dan grade level certification or promotion.)
6. All recommending officials must be a Certified Instructor / Examiner and a current member of the USJJF.
7. All recommendations for validation to a Kyu grade must be signed by a USJJF Black Belt. If the validation is for a Dan rank, then the validation must be signed by a USJJF Black Belt at least two ranks higher than that of the applicant.
8. Photo copies of the applicants Ju-Jitsu rank certification (if any), a typewritten or clearly printed biography, and photo, should be attached and submitted with this request.
9. Please make all checks or money orders payable to the USJJF and mail to the USJJF National Headquarters at the above address.

## Applicant Information

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(Street and Number) (City and State) (Zip Code)

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| Work Phone: | |  | | | | | | Home Phone: | | | |  | | | | |
| Fax: |  | | | | | | | E-Mail: | | |  | | | | | |
| Club Name: | | |  | | | | Sensei’s Name: | | | | | |  | | | |
| Club Address: | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu System: | | |  | | | | | | | | | | Age Began Studying: | | |  |
| Current Rank | | |  | | Rank Date: | | | |  | | | Time in Grade: | | |  | |

### Recommendation for Validation

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| Recommended for (Rank): | |  | | Recommended Rank Date |  |
| Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu System: | |  | | | |
| This Validation is for: | | | | | |
|  | Existing Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu Rank without Credentials | | | | |
|  | Best Qualified Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu Rank | | | | |
|  | Other (Explain) | |  | | |
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### Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu Activity Record

(Complete since starting Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu study or last rank credential)

1. Explain: Time, Location, and Consistency of Applicants Training

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(Use additional sheet if needed)

1. If for higher grade. Explain: Time, Location and Consistency of Applicants Teaching

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(Use additional sheet if needed)

1. Explain the “Specific Elements” of the system of Ju-Jitsu that the applicant has studied. (i.e. Kata, Free-Sparring, Weapons, Self-Defense, Philosophy, etc)

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1. Number of clinics (or institutes) or competition events hosted / conducted

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| Local Events |  |
| National Events |  |

1. Number of camps hosted / conducted

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| 1. Time served as Head Instructor |  |

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| 1. Time served as an Assistant Instructor |  |

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| 1. Number of clinics or camps attended |  |

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| 1. Any special certification(s)? (i.e. Referee, Instructor, etc) |  |
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| 1. Other significant Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu activity |  |
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### Martial Arts Rank History

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| **Rank** | **Rank Date** | **Given Certificate** | | **Instructor** | **Organization** |
| **Yes** | | | **No** | | |
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### Special Achievements

Provide a narrative of all special achievements such as competition, teaching, tournament officiating, staff work, public relations, demonstrations, hosting clinics or camps, writing publications, etc, (use additional sheet of needed)

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### Certification and Recommendation

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have been examined or have presented my Rank Credentials and do accept the Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu Rank recommended for me with the USJJF.

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| Signature of applicant and date | |
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| Validation Fee Enclosed |  |

I have examined the applicant or have received and reviewed his/her Rank Credentials (Ju-Jitsu / Jiu-Jitsu / Jujutsu Activity & Achievement Record). I find the applicant fully qualified and recommend this rank validation.

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| Signature of Certified Instructor / Examiner |
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| Printed name, rank & membership number of USJJF Certified Instructor / Examiner |

### Additional Endorsements

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| Comments by Additional Endorsing Official |  |
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| Signature of additional endorsing officials |
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| Printed name, rank, and membership number of official |

### USJJF Processing

Please send USJJF credentials to (circle one): Instructor / Examiner | Applicant

Reserved for USJJF National Headquarters

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*World Ju-Jitsu Association (WJJA), United Fighting Arts Federation (UFAF), Martial Arts International Federation (MAIF)*

*and The Association For International Sport For All (TAFISA)*

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