



Martial Art Policy

Kukkiwon Certificate Policy

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Martial Arts Policies

Obtaining Kukkiwon Certificates Policy

1. PURPOSE

- As a service to members, Taekwondo Canada will facilitate the processing of all Dan and Poom Applications from “registered” instructors to the Kukkiwon. Only Kukkiwon certificates issued through Taekwondo Canada are eligible for participation in any of Taekwondo Canada programs.
- A “registered” instructor is one whose own certificate has been processed by Taekwondo Canada directly or through the “Grandfathering” procedure in this Policy

2. ADVANCEMENT OF BLACK BELTS

Notwithstanding any other requirements to advance with Black Belt level, a candidate must, be recommended a Taekwondo Canada registered Instructor or the Promotion Test Committee.

3. PROCEDURE

Individual Taekwondo Canada registered instructors operating independent schools must process all applications for Kukkiwon black Belt Dan and Poom certificates via the Taekwondo Canada National Office.

The National Office will:

- Ensure that the instructors’ certification level meets the Taekwondo Canada standards for recommending applicants.
- Check all applications for completeness and correctness,
- Return incorrect or incomplete applications to the originator,
- Register all correct and complete applications, and process associated payments
- Forward correct and complete applications to the Kukkiwon.

When Kukkiwon Dan and Poom certificates are received from the Kukkiwon, the National Office shall:

- Register the certificate number; and
- Forward the certificate to the appropriate Master/school.

4. PROCESSING AND REGISTRATION FEES

Taekwondo Canada may set and charge a processing fee for the handling and registration of Dan and Poom applications and certificates.

5. Grandfathering

- Kukkiwon Poom and Dan Holders who did not apply through Taekwondo Canada can have their certificates registered with Taekwondo Canada by paying the registration fee on their last certified Dan certificate before March 31, 2007.
- Following the grandfathering period all applicants will have to pay the commission due on each and every Dan level to be registered with Taekwondo Canada and be eligible for access to any of Taekwondo Canada programs or services.
- Individuals can apply directly to Taekwondo Canada to have their Kukkiwon Dan application registered by filling out the proper “Taekwondo Canada Registration Form” including the contact information and Kukkiwon number of their recommending instructor for verification purposes.

6. VIOLATION OF THIS POLICY

In the event that an instructor does not follow the procedures as described in this policy, and forwards Dan or Poom applications directly to the Kukkiwon, that action will be in violation of this policy. Infractions against this policy will be notified to the Sanctions and Awards Committee.

The case will be considered by the Sanctions and Awards Committee for possible disciplinary measures requiring the application of sanction against the offending party. All evidence will be examined, and the Committee will make suitable findings and submit its recommendation to the Executive Committee for their decision. Decisions may be appealed through the Taekwondo Canada Appeal Policy.