



EXAM REGULATIONS

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1. Members of the exam committee should be duly registered members of the ESC* (except for Senior Instructor / 3-dan exams).
2. Exams held in the European region should comply with the European Technical Committee's curricula specifications (for up to date information before holding an exam session, ask Technical Director Masashi Minagawa).
3. To sit as an examiner for a certain discipline (Karate, Bojutsu, Shintaido), the examiner must be qualified at the proper level in that discipline.
4. It is recommended that the exam committee ask the opinion of the examinee's instructor (especially in the case of Assistant exams). In case instructor cannot be present, he/she might write a recommendation letter.
5. Non-technical topics (previous contribution to the group, gasshuku organizing etc.) should be reported in writing. The document should be presented before challenging the corresponding exam.
6. The sequence of exams should always be Karate > Bojutsu > Shintaido.
7. One cannot act as goreisha for his/her own exam.

* To find the list of European Shintaido College (ESC) members, and their qualifications to offer examinations, see the website:

<http://www.shintaido.net/examinations/>

VENUES, INTERVALS & QUALIFICATIONS

Levels	Exam Venue	Interval between exams	Examiner Qualification
Senior Instructor/ 3-dan **	ESC event	4 years	At least 2 Masters/ 5-dan & 1 General/ 4-dan. One examiner from outside the continent.
Instructor/ 2-dan	ESC event	2 years	1 Master/ 5-dan & 1 General/ 4-dan
Graduate/ 1-dan	ESC event	1 year	1 General/ 4-dan & 1 Senior/ 3-dan
Assistant/ 1 kyu	National meeting	1 year (6 months in case of 2 kyu person challenging 1 kyu)	1 senior/ 3-dan & 1 instructor/ 2-dan
2 kyu	National meeting	6 months	1 senior/ 3-dan & 1 instructor/ 2-dan
Advanced / 4-3 kyu	Local meeting	6 months	2 Instructors/ 2-dan
Intermediate/ 6-5 kyu	Local meeting	6 months	1 Instructor/ 2-dan
Elementary/ 8-7 kyu	Local meeting	6 months	1 Instructor/ 2-dan
Introductory/ 10-9 kyu	Local meeting	6 months	1 Instructor/ 2-dan

** Subject to approval by the International Shintaido Federation Technical Committee (ISF-TC)