



## Dojo Cho Yudansha Application FAQ Dec 19, 2017

1. Please check that the student satisfies the minimum requirement of years in rank and training days. It is the responsibility of the dojo-cho to keep track of training days for their students. For the rank of nidan or above, this is calculated from the **date of registration of the last rank** (not the date of the previous exam). The date of registration of each dan rank is listed in the yudansha book. A training day is defined as one day regardless of the number of times an individual trained that day. The minimum time and days are listed below:

### **Minimum Rank Requirements and Fees**

Shodan (min age 15 y.o.)	1 year	200 days	\$225
Nidan	2 years	360 days	\$250
Sandan	3 years	540 days	\$300
Yondan	4 years	800 days	\$350
Godan	5 years	1000 days	\$800
Rokudan	6 years	1200 days	\$900

2. Online application forms are available at [www.ai-ki-do.org](http://www.ai-ki-do.org). Have the student fill out the appropriate form. The student should include all members of the testing board on the application form in the space provided.

3. Payment must be included with the application. Payment by PayPal is preferred. submit the payment to: [cal.aikido.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:cal.aikido.treasurer@gmail.com). Checks or money orders should be made payable to California Aikido Association or CAA

4. Yudansha from Division 1 must submit testing fees to the Division Head before the application will be processed.

5. The application will be verified with the Grading Committee member or Division Head present for the exam.

6. If the application is for the rank of nidan or above, the student's yudansha book must be mailed to the Clerk. Seminar/camp attendance since the last ranking must be recorded in the yudansha book. If the book is missing, have the yudansha order a new one and submit a printed page of seminar attendance with the application. The document replacement form is on the same page as the application form. The fee is \$35.

7. Mail yudansha books and payment to:

Adrienne Wonnacott  
California Aikido Association  
2995 Woodside Road Suite 400  
Woodside, CA 94062

8. Once the completed application is verified, a receipt will be emailed to the applicant and the dojo cho.