

Promotional Rank Testing

There is a promotional rank testing held approximately every four weeks. Students may test approximately every eight weeks, when they have all three knowledge stripes and have permission from their instructor. It should be remembered that testing is a privilege and not a right and each student should strive to better themselves for reasons other than just achieving the next belt level. (Please see page XX for further information on attendance requirements).

Each student is required to perform certain techniques according to his rank:

White Belt	Appropriate Form and One-Step Sparring
Orange Belt	Appropriate Form and One-Step Sparring
Yellow Belt	Appropriate Form and One-Step Sparring
Camo Belt	Appropriate Form, Sparring Segments, Free Sparring (1 match)
Green Belt	Appropriate Form, Sparring Segments, Free Sparring (1 match)
Purple Belt	Appropriate Form, Sparring Segments, Free Sparring (2 matches)
Blue Belt	Appropriate Form, Sparring Segments, Free Sparring (2 matches)
Brown Belt	Appropriate Form, Free Sparring (2 matches), Board Breaking
Red Belt	Appropriate Form, Free Sparring (2 matches), Board Breaking
Black Belt	Appropriate Form, Free Sparring (2 matches), Board Breaking

The student may have three attempts to perform his/her form. If a mistake is made during one-step sparring segments, the student should continue without interruption. When all one-steps have been completed and “time” has not been called, the student may then perform any one-step that was poorly performed. Students will have three attempts to break boards (except students who are testing for 1st Degree Decided Black who will only get one chance).

A fee is assessed for each testing and varies based on the rank the student is testing for. Should a student receive a “no change” in his rank, the fee at the next testing is waived. Please consult your instructor for appropriate fees for your rank test.

A student who is scheduled to test, but due to unforeseen circumstances is unable to attend testing, should notify the instructor prior to the testing. All accounts such as tuition, ATA membership, tournament fees and testing fees must be current before the student may test. No exceptions will be made.

Minimum Attendance Requirements for Rank Testing

White through Yellow Belts	12
Camo through Green Belts	14
Purple through Blue Belts	16
Brown through Red Belts	18
Recommended Black Belts	20

Decided Black Belts must have a minimum of 36 classes before mid-termining.

All students must wait a minimum of eight weeks between testings unless they have received a no change at their last testing and have permission from their instructor.

Advanced students may attend lower rank classes, but only rank appropriate classes will be counted toward the testing requirement.

Student must be a member of the Black Belt Club in order to test for Camouflage belt.

Student must be a member of the Master Club in order to Mid-term or test for any rank higher than 1st Degree Black Belt.

Black Belts must participate in at least one Black Belt Training class per month in order to test.