RECOGNITION OF COACH AWARD

OTHER ASSOICIATIONS AND OVERSEAS

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Introduction

The BJA recognise that many Judo coaches, though recognised by their Home Country associations or BJA affiliate associations, are presently operating outside of the jurisdiction of the BJA. As the National Governing Body for the sport of Judo the BJA take very seriously the responsibility to ensure that Judo Coaches operating in UK are valid, current and competent to deliver the sport safely.

The fact that many people in modern society choose to migrate between countries has been compounded in recent years by the freedom of movement that we now enjoy within the European Union. The BJA recognise that in pursuance of Kodokan Judo it is not always practical for Judoka to follow their whole career via IJF/EJU/BJA sources. Applications are therefore welcomed for recognition via placement upon the 'BJA Register of recognised Coaches' from Coaches currently recognised by non-BJA organisations. Coaches on the register will be permitted and insured to operate as per BJA Club Coach Award holders and enjoy all of the same benefits.

The BJA will recognise the status of such Coaches only by compliance with the following procedure:

1. The applicant must firstly obtain a full BJA licence.
2. Before pursuing the recognition of their Coach award, applicants should first complete the requirements for grade transfer. For Dan grade applicants this can be done via the National Director of Examiners (see extract from Dan grade scheme overleaf); 1st Kyu grades may complete a technical grading assessment via any authorised BJA Examiner.
3. Following grade transfer, evidence of an existing Coaching Award should be submitted to the BJA National Coaching Manager, (the Award held by the applicant must be recognised by an IJF/EJU/BJA body or another organisation recognised by the BJA to be of a suitable standing).
4. The BJA National Coaching Manager will work with staff and the applicant to compile all additional evidence necessary; applicants will be required to satisfy BJA DBS check criteria and obtain/present:
    a. A current First Aid Certificate
    b. A Safeguarding and Protecting Children Certificate (via the BJA or UK Coaching)
    c. Evidence of ability to speak, listen and write in English that enables them to:
        i. Safety - if MN needed to call for emergency services or respond to an immediate risk and the nature of clear safe instructions as a coach.

ii. Safeguarding - communicating with and from others and reading core guidance.

5. All such transfers will be subject to a Club visit where an authorised BJA Examiner will observe the Coach in action to ascertain their suitability in line with the BJA Coach Award Practical Assessment. This will include an interview which among other things will focus on safe Coaching practice.
6. The BJA National Coaching Manager will be responsible for forwarding completed evidence files to the relevant BJA Commission for consideration and approval.
7. Provided all criteria is satisfied and the application has met the approval of the Commission, the BJA will place the applicant on the BJA Register of recognised Coaches.
8. All successful applicants will be required to revalidate their inclusion on the register via attendance at licensed BJA Coach Revalidation events as per all BJA Recognised Coaches; this revalidation will be due in line with the renewal date of the applicants BJA membership.
9. As a part of their personal coaching development programme and in order to remain on the register, all registered Coaches must consent to undertake the 1st4sport for Judo Coach award and development programme which is delivered via the BJA Revalidation scheme both Nationally and Regionally; (alternatively they may enrol on a full CIMSPA or 1st4sport for Judo course).

Grade Transfer

Criterion #2 on the previous page states: "Before pursuing the recognition of their Coach award, applicants should first complete the requirements for grade transfer. For Dan grade applicants this can be done via the National Director of examiners."

Extract from the BJA Dan grade scheme (January 2009) detailing the procedure for grade transfer:

- Candidates from IJF/EJU member organisations

  If a candidate holding a BJA licence holds a Dan Grade in an association that is a member of the IJF then that grade is accepted by the BJA. The candidate should send proof of grade and BJA licence to the NDGR, who will register the grade as a BJA grade. There is no fee.

- Transfers of grades from non IJF/EJU/BJA organisations

Candidates from non BJA organisations may convert to the equivalent BJA Dan grade. If they are a competitive grade and wish to have a competitive BJA grade, they must be first pass the relevant theory exam and then they must be assessed at a competitive Dan grading, initially with BJA judoka of their own grade. They pay the set grading fee that includes the Dan Grade levy. It is possible that the candidate may not only have their grade confirmed but may be able to satisfy the requirements for promotion to a higher grade. In circumstances where the candidate is unsuccessful in the assessment, the candidate is withdrawn from the grading and advised to re-present themselves for examination at a later date.

Candidates may also be assessed for a competitive transfer to at a BJA points scoring competition. The assessor must be a Senior Examiner appointed by the National Promotions Commission and prior approval must be authorised by the National Director of Examiners. The action is reported on a Supplementary Report Form to include full details of the candidate, completed theory exam, names and grades of opponents and results.

Alternatively, instead of being assessed at a competitive grading, they may elect to undertake a Technical conversion and take the appropriate Technical exam. If successful they will transfer to a BJA Technical Dan grade. The fee will be set by the examiner and on completion; they must pay the BJA £25 to register the promotion.

If the candidate is a non-competitive grade they can only have a transfer to the same BJA Technical Grade subject to successfully completing the Technical Exam. If they wish to undertake a BJA competitive grade they would transfer over at the non BJA organisation competitive grade that they held by being assessed at a competitive Dan Grading. All technical transfer applications of 3rd Dan and above must be accompanied with a Curriculum Vitae of their judo history and submitted to the National Director of Examiners for approval by the Promotions Commission before they then pass on to the National Dan Grade Registrar for registration.

All technical transfer forwarded to the National Dan Grade Registrar must include the candidates BJA Record Book and original non IJF/EJU/BJA organisation Record Book with proof of grade.

The Application Process

Applications for inclusion on the Register of recognised Coaches should be made by completing the appropriate application form (see appendix). Upon receipt of a completed application submitted together with the £25.00 administration fee applicants will receive a preparation pack ahead of any formal Club visit, expenses incurred for club visits shall be negotiable depending upon circumstances. Preparation packs will contain a number of resources to assist applicants in their transfer to the BJA, including:

- Recognition of Coach Awards from other Associations document
- BJA Coaching related policies and procedures document
- LTPD Brochure
- BJA Mon grade technical syllabus
- BJA Kyu grade technical syllabus
- BJA Dan grade syllabus
- The latest copy of the BJA 'Matside' magazine
- The BJA Technical Grading syllabus – A photographic guide
- Contact details for their designated BJA transfer liaison official

Applicants for inclusion on the register of recognised Coaches should familiarise themselves with the content of the preparation pack and then arrange a mutually suitable occasion for the designated BJA transfer liaison official to visit their Club. Applicants are subject to a Club visit or visits depending on experience of applicant and or the numbers within the applicants Club wishing to assimilate their personal grades at the same time.

The applicants Coaching practice will be assessed during a Club visit where an authorised BJA Examiner will observe the Coach in action to ascertain their suitability in-line with the BJA Club Coach Award Practical Assessment. This process will include an interview which among other things will focus on safe Coaching practice. The examiner will use the appropriate form (see appendix) to record this assessment; the form should be forwarded to the BJA upon completion together with all associated evidence for processing.

APPENDIX

Recognition of Coach Awards from other Associations – Visiting Examiner checklist

Interview topic	Yes	No	Interview topic	Yes	No
Does the applicant understand the content of the preparation pack (assessment)?			Has the applicant received and read the BJA Coaching related policies & procedures document?		
Does the candidate agree to adhere to the BJA Coachng code of conduct & ethics?			Does candidate have an understanding of the Kodokan Gokyo wazas and their key principles?		
Does the applicant have the ability to Coach Ukemi competently?			Does the applicant have an appropriate understanding of warm-up / cool down?		
Does the candidate display a knowledge and understanding of correct Dojo etiquette?			Does the candidate have the ability to carry out Facility safety checks / Risk Assessments?		
When coaching waza from Gokyo does the applicant use technically correct, grip, entry etc.?			Does the applicant have an appropriate understanding for Coaching Transition?		
Does the applicant have an appropriate understanding for Coaching Shime-waza?			Does the applicant have an appropriate understanding for Coaching Kansetsu-waza?		
Does the applicant have an appropriate understanding of LTPD principles?			Issuing body of existing non-BJA Coach award:		
Issue date of existing non-BJA Coach award:			Number of years since gaining existing award:		

<u>OBSERVATION OF CLASS SESSON - PRACTICAL COACHING</u> The candidate will be required to demonstrate the ability to run a Judo session 15-20 minutes as a minimum, focusing on one technique from the BJA Gokyo's selected by the examiner.

INTRODUCTION	5%	
TECHNICAL STANDARD	35%	
STRUCTURE AND PROGRESSION	15%	
CLARITY OF INSTRUCTION	15%	
PRESENCE	15%	
IMAGINATION	15%	
TOTAL MARKS AWARDED: *(Minimum Pass Mark 65%)*		_____% PASS / FAIL*

PRE-REQUISITE	**Minimum BJA Grade – 1st Kyu.**	**GRADE:**
PRE-REQUISITE	**Minimum 18 Years of age.**	**AGE:**
PRE-REQUISITE	**Must hold a CURRENT BJA Licence.**	**No:**
		EXPIRY:
PRE-REQUISITE	**Must hold a CURRENT First Aid Certificate.**	**YES / NO***
PRE-REQUISITE	**Must hold a Safeguarding & Protecting Children Certificate.**	**YES / NO***
PRE-REQUISITE	**Must complete a satisfactory returned CRB application**	**YES / NO***
PART 1	**Demonstration of Techniques.**	**EXEMPT / ~~PASS / FAIL~~***
PART 2	**Class Lesson – Practical Coaching.**	**PASS / FAIL***
PART 3A	**Prohibited Acts.**	**EXEMPT / ~~PASS / FAIL~~***
PART 3B	**Rules & Refereeing (Answer Paper Attached).**	**EXEMPT / ~~PASS / FAIL~~***

PART 4A	**Lesson Planning – First lesson (Attached).**	**EXEMPT / ~~PASS / FAIL~~***
PART 4B	**Lesson Planning – Ten-week course (Attached).**	**EXEMPT / ~~PASS / FAIL~~***
PART 5	**Interview & Discussion Completed.**	**YES / NO***
OVERALL ASSESSMENT: I have completed this candidate's assessment for inclusion on the register.		**PASS / FAIL***

***Delete as applicable**

Signed – (BJA Examiner):		**BJA Area:**	

Declaration to be signed by the candidate: I recognise that in being placed upon the BJA Register of Recognised Coaches I must comply with BJA Revalidation requirements to keep such status valid; It is a criterion that all clubs, regions and affiliated bodies require staff, coaches, officials, administrators, parents and participants adopt and abide by the British Judo Association's Child Protection Policy and Procedures. I therefore also hereby agree to abide by the BJA Child Protection Policy and Procedures.

Signed – (Candidate):		**Dated:**	

For BJA Official Use Only: *

When this form has been completed it should be sent to: BJA Coaching Administrator, British Judo Association,
Date Received: _____ **Date Coaching Card & Certificate issued:** _____
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Recognition of Coach Awards from other Associations

BRITISH JUDO ASSOCIATION
COACH TRANSFER - APPLICATION FORM

NAME:			
ADDRESS			
POSTCODE		CONTACT No	

EXISTING AWARD		AWARDING BODY	
CLUB NAME		DATE AWARDED	
CLUB ADDRESS			
POSTCODE		CONTACT No	

BRIEF RESUME OF JUDO AND COACHING EXPERIENCE:

I certify that I am hold the award detailed above and consent to show proof of such award to an authorised BJA Official in respect of this Coach Award Recognition process.

Signature		Date	

When this form has been completed it should be sent to: BJA Coaching Administrator, British Judo Association, Walsall Campus .University of Wolverhampton .Gorway Road . Walsall WS1 3BD . Email - coaching@britishjudo.org.uk