

ADVICE TO COACHES ABOUT JUNIOR GRADINGS

Judo Victoria is bound by the National Grading policy of Judo Australia - 2017 001 JFA National Grading Policy (August 2017)

This policy is to be reviewed at least once every four (4) years for relevance and to ensure that its effectiveness is maintained.

All affiliated Judo Victoria Sho Dan Coaches are authorised to grade students up to and including Senior Blue Belt – Ni Dan and above Victorian Coaches can grade to Brown Belt, subject to the provisions of the National Grading Policy. All Gradings need to be paid for and registered through Event Secretary @ jvi.org.au

Under the JA Grading Policy, Junior members transitioning to Senior belts will transfer at a maximum grade of Green (Seinen San Kyu), providing their Junior grade is at least a Green belt.

For any Senior students wanting to apply for Dan Gradings, their Senior Brown Belt grading must be registered with Judo Victoria to meet the time in grade requirements.

NB: Dan Grading processes are set out in a separate document.

https://judovictoria.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/JV-Dan-Grade-Processing-Procedure_0822-1.pdf

We encourage Judo Victoria Coaches to use common sense when interpreting the National Curriculum.

If in doubt, please talk to senior coaches in Victoria for advice.

For new students starting Judo older than 7 or 8 years of age, coaches are encouraged to use their common-sense and experience to slot students into the grade level according to their technical skills, subject to the maximum grades that can be awarded for that age group.

We encourage Coaches to grade students appropriately according to their ability, keeping in mind that you have to plan their progression through the ranks so that they can have regular grading and can continue to achieve progress.

Note: A 13-year-old doesn't have to go through all the steps that a 5-year-old would have to, so they can go straight from yellow to orange to green.

The relevant extracts from the JA Junior Grades progression are on pages 21, 22 and 23 of the JA Grading policy. Link -

https://www.ausjudo.com.au/files/ugd/570d63_8193fda92c024bd092ab0aa55c45edb0.pdf

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact office@judovictoria.com.au