



January 11, 2024

**SEUSKF Shinsa
Sunday, February 18, 2024**

Fellow kendo-ka,

Happy New Year!

I'm pleased to announce that the Southeastern United State Kendo Federation ("SEUSKF") will be hosting a shinsa up to 4 Dan on Sunday, February 18, 2024.

****FACIAL COVERINGS ARE RECOMMENDED
FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS AND SPECTATORS****

Location:

**Forest Fleming Arena (Gymnasium)
3037 Pleasant Valley Dr. Doraville, GA 30340**

**Place subject to change*

***The registration starts at 8:30 am.*

Date and Time:

Sunday, February 18, 2024

8:30 am- Promotion Registration

9:00-10:30 am Promotion

10:30-11:15 am Godo Keiko (If time allow)

AUSKF&SEUSKF Shinsa & Membership Requirement

For insurance purposes, **ALL** registrants must be a member of the AUSKF either through the SEUSKF or another regional federation for the 2023 dues year. Dues paid during this period are effective until March 31, 2024.

All registrants must comply with AUSKF Shinsa Requirements in AUSKF Website (<https://www.auskf.org/forms/promotion-exams>):

- AUSKF Regulations For Kendo/Iaido/Jodo Promotional Examinations [pdf]
- Supplemental info regarding Shogo and Bokuto ni yoru Kendo Kihonwaza Keikoho ("BKKK") - **updated August 2023**
- If someone is testing for the first time that 2 KYU is the highest rank they can test for without prior rank- New AUSKF rule effective of 1/1/2024

SEUSKF 30 Days Rule Requirement

All shinsa participants who are SEUSKF members must comply with 30 days rule that must be AUSKF/SEUSKF members for more than 30 days prior to the shinsa day in order to qualify.

However, SEUSKF acknowledge that new members are having difficulty enrolling membership due to short notice. Therefore, we are ONLY to give special cases for new members who never been AUSKF/SEUSKF members before to take promotion on 2/18 to waive 30 days rule.

4 Dan requirements for the SEUSKF:

For all SEUSKF members, the Board still requires that 4 Dan applicants must participate in at least one shinpan seminar either held regionally or nationally between the times they pass their 3 Dan exam and first take their 4 Dan exam.

All SEUSKF 4 Dan applicants must have proof of participation in either a regional or national level shinpan seminar or tournament. Please submit your Shinpan Experience Form (<https://www.seuskf.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Yondan-referee-form-2017.pdf>)

Participants from outside SEUSKF

If you are testing and belong to a federation outside of the SEUSKF, please be sure to submit a permission form to test outside of your federation signed by your federation president.

“Request for Kendo Examination by an Affiliate Organization of the AUSKF” in the AUSKF Website: https://drive.google.com/file/d/12GYFnjFNlfYaaHXQ0QqgD_1C2n2WXzB6/view

Promotion Form:

Please use the online link to register for the shinsa:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerwhT0KSkIO8hybCa9JNvYWQ5CYBbOH8n3ZbrBrzbqj99bBg/viewform>

All applications must be submitted electronically.

All applicants will be required to have their Sensei approve their application through an email to Chiaki Tamura (seikenkai.info@gmail.com).

Requirement & Deadline:

Application deadline is before **February 1, 2024.**

Applicants must submit necessary documents ALL TOGETHER include:

- Application form
- Payment
- Written Test (<https://www.seuskf.org/policies-forms/>)
- Menjo copy of your current rank
- Waiver Form
- Verification from Dojo sensei
- Verification from parents/guardians if you are minor
- Permission form if you are outside SEUSKF
- (Shinpan Experience Form for participant who is taking 4th Dan)

in order to start the application in timely manner.

Shinsa Fees:

TESTING FEES		
Age	Rank	Testing Fee
17 and under	1 Kyu or below	\$30
18 and over	1 Kyu or below	\$40
All ages	1 Dan	\$50
All ages	2 Dan	\$60
All ages	3 Dan	\$70
All ages	4 Dan	\$80

Menjo Fees:

MENJO FEES		
Age	Rank	Menjo Fees
17 and under	1 Kyu or below	\$20
18 and over	1 Kyu or below	\$30
All ages	1 Dan	\$50
All ages	2 Dan	\$60
All ages	3 Dan	\$80
All ages	4 Dan	\$100

Please make two separate payments for testing and menjo fees.

Shinsa fees will need to be paid by February 1st, 2024 @ Noon to process your application in a timely manner.

Menjo fee is due within 2 weeks AFTER you have passed the exam.

Payments:

Testing fees and menjo fees:

Zelle:

Katsuyuki (Ken) Tamura Account# 770-403-9242

Venmo:

Katsuyuki (Ken) Tamura Account# @Katsuyuki-Tamura

We encourage everyone to pay online using Zelle or Venmo but in case you have to send a check, please contact Chiaki Tamura (seikenkai.info@gmail.com).

Godo Keiko:

Saturday, February 17, 2024

Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology (Gymnasium)
970 McElvaney Lane, Lawrenceville GA 30044 *****This is not the testing venue!!

4:45 pm- Venue Open (Warm up by yourselves)
5:00 pm- Godo Keiko
6:30 pm- Godo Keiko end
7:00 pm Vacate by 7pm

If you are interested in participating, please contact Chiaki Tamura (seikenkai.info@gmail.com) to provide a map to the parking and entrance near the gym.

Get Together Dinner:

Join us for Get Together Dinner right after the Godo Keiko on Saturday!

Cafe Hot Wing 7
3463 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd Suwanee, GA 30024
www.cafehotwing7.com/

Saturday, February 17, 2024
7:30pm-

Reservation ONLY - please contact Chiaki Tamura (seikenkai.info@gmail.com) by February 1st to secure your seat. Pay your own food and drink.

Hope to see everyone!

Sincerely,

Katsuyuki Ken Tamura
SEUSKF VP of Promotions
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