



**STONEHENGE TAEKWON-DO SCHOOL**  
**Grand Master Raymond O'Neill IX Dan**  
**Established 1974**  
**Constitution, Rules and Regulations.**



- 1 **Title**
  - 1a The organisation shall be known as the Stonehenge Taekwon-Do School. Hereafter referred to as STONEHENGE TKD
  
- 2 **Affiliation**
  - 2a STONEHENGE TKD shall be affiliated to A.C.E. Taekwon-Do under Pioneer First Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha as it's Patron. Also known as and referred to as FGMR
  - 2b STONEHENGE TKD is permitted by FGMR to wear the FGMR-ITF & ACE logos in recognition of this association.
  
- 3 **Aims and Objectives**
  - 3a To promote, without prejudice, traditional and authentic Taekwon-Do, its beliefs, customs, culture, method and ideology as formulated by the founder General Choi Hong Hi and subsequently by Pioneer First Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha.
  - 3b To operate in accordance with the guidelines laid out in the Encyclopaedia of Taekwon-Do, written by the founder General Choi Hong Hi prior to his passing in 2002, and further by the teachings of the pioneer grand master FGMR.
  - 3c To arrange, for the benefit of members; training courses, seminars, competitions and other activities as so required for the promotion and development of Taekwon-Do.
  - 3d To afford all members the benefits and privileges of membership as may be possible to arrange.
  - 3e To uphold the dignity of STONEHENGE TKD and to operate in accordance with the laws of the domicile country.
  
- 4 **Membership**
  - 4a Membership of STONEHENGE TKD shall be in the form a Casual Member, Full Member and Honorary Member.
  - 4b Casual Member. A person who is in possession of an STONEHENGE TKD & ACE Member Licence and Grading Record booklet with a valid STONEHENGE TKD & ACE Licence retained inside which is valid for 1 Year.  
The Casual Member may train once a week, and may attend any additional training they wish to attend at the Pay per session rate.
  - 4c Full Member. A person who is in possession of an STONEHENGE TKD & ACE Member Licence and Grading Record booklet with a valid STONEHENGE TKD & ACE Licence retained inside which is valid for 1 Year.  
The Full Member may train Twice a week.
  - 4d Honorary Member. A person may be granted honorary membership .
  - 4e Membership will be maintained with payment of Monthly Membership fees, either Casual or Full membership payable on the first lesson of every month via standing order. Training will be suspended if Membership fees have not been received by the 5<sup>th</sup> of any month.
  - 4f A retainer Membership amounting to 1/3 of membership can be made where long term absence from regular training is applicable (Example forces personnel on exercise)

## 5 Instructors

- 5a An instructor is an STONEHENGE TKD approved Black Belt student (minimum age 18) who has passed an approved Instructors Training Course, holds an National Instruction Diploma Certificate and has a valid membership licence.
- 5b Must have a valid Professional Indemnity insurance certificate.
- 5c Must have a valid DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) certificate.
- 5d Are required to be conversant with the current copy of these and any other Rules & Regulations pertinent to STONEHENGE TKD & Child Protection.

## 6 Instructor Classifications

- 6a A Grand Master Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 49½yrs) who has Attained the rank of 9<sup>th</sup> Dan. The Grand Master Instructor wears the appropriate Grand Master shoulder epaulettes on the training suit.
- 6b A Senior Master Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 41½yrs) who has attained the rank of 8<sup>th</sup> Dan. The Senior Master Instructor wears the appropriate Senior Master shoulder epaulettes on the training suit.
- 6c A Master Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 34½yrs) who has attained The rank of 7<sup>th</sup> Dan. The Master Instructor wears the appropriate Master shoulder epaulettes on the training suit.
- 6d An International Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 19½yrs) with a minimum rank of 4<sup>th</sup> Dan who has passed an approved International Instructors Training Course. The International Instructor wears the appropriate International Instructor shoulder epaulettes on the training suit.
- 6e A National 'A' Class Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 18yrs) with a minimum rank of 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan who has passed an approved National 'A' Class Instructors Training Course.  
The National 'A' Class Instructor wears the appropriate shoulder epaulettes on the training suit with a red stripe 3cm wide on the trouser legs.
- 6f A National 'B' Class Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 18yrs) with a minimum rank of 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan who has passed an approved National 'B' Class Instructors Training Course.  
The National 'B' Class Instructor wears the appropriate shoulder epaulettes on the training suit with a blue stripe 3cm wide on the trouser legs.
- 6g A National 'C' Class Instructor is a black belt holder (minimum age 18) with a minimum rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Dan who has passed an approved National 'C' Class Instructors Training Course.  
The National 'C' Class Instructor wears the appropriate shoulder epaulettes on the training suit with a green stripe 3cm wide on the trouser legs.
- 6h A National Junior Instructor is a Blackbelt Holder (minimum age 13yrs) but under 18yrs who has passed an approved National Junior Instructors Training Course  
The National Junior Instructor may be presented with a Junior Instructor Sew on patch to be worn under the ACE Do-Bok Logo.
- 6i The Executive Committee may, under special circumstances, approve an instructor qualification without regard to the age or rank criteria.
- 6j An Instructor may apply to STONEHENGE TKD for approval of a badge to represent their School. The badge is to be no larger than the FGMR-ITF badge. When written confirmation has been received the official school badge is to be worn on the left sleeve of the training suit positioned so that, with the arm downward, the badge is at the same level as the FGMR-ITF and STONEHENGE TKD badges.

## 7 Black Belt Member

- 7a A black belt member is any member, over the age of 13yrs, who has succeeded an appropriate assessment and whose examiner qualifications and assessment criteria have been approved by the Association's Examination Board.
- 7b A black belt member holder is to wear an approved single wrap black belt. The belt is to indicate the holder's degree in Roman numerals across the belt's width at one end.
- 7c A junior black belt member is any member under the age of 13yrs, who has succeeded an appropriate assessment and whose examiner qualifications and assessment criteria have been approved by the Examination Board
- 7d A junior black belt member is to wear an approved single wrap black belt with a 10mm white stripe running along the full length in the centre. There is no grade indicated on a junior black belt.
- 7e 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan black belt holders are to wear 3cm black piping along the bottom edge of the jacket and vertically up the front of the jacket to a height equal to the height of the black piping at the side of the jacket. The officially approved FGMR-ITF badge is worn on the front left chest. The officially approved STONEHENGE TKD badge is worn on the right front chest.
- 7f Junior black belt members do not wear black trim on their training suit.
- 7g 4<sup>th</sup> Dan and above black belt holders are to wear 3cm black piping around the edges of the jacket, down the length of the sleeves and the length of the trouser legs. The officially approved FGMR-ITF badge is worn on the front left chest. The officially approved STONEHENGE TKD badge is worn on the right front chest.
- 7h An approved official school badge (if applicable) is to be worn on the left sleeve of the training suit, positioned such, with the arm downward, the badge is at the same level as the FGMR-ITF and STONEHENGE TKD badges.
- 7i The dress code for a black belt member shall be Navy Blue blazer with the STONEHENGE TKD Badge on the breast pocket and the FGMR-ITF pin badge or ACE pin badge on the jacket left collar button hole, charcoal grey trousers/¾ length skirt and black shoes.

## 8 Black Belt Assessments

- 8a Assessments (gradings) shall be held, as a minimum, twice a year.
- 8b The member taking the grading must have been taught by a qualified Instructor for a reasonable time before taking the grading.
- 8c From 1st Kup onwards a minimum of two training sessions per year under a Master Instructor must be recorded in the Member Licence and Grading Record Booklet.
- 8d The member must attend a black belt pre-grading course.
- 8e Grading Fees may be varied from time to time and shall be set by the Association's Examination Board
- 8f Re-examination fees will be paid in full.
- 8g Upon a successful grading a new belt and certificate will be issued by STONEHENGE TKD
- 8h The member's training suit must be very smart and clean with all the necessary badges and insignia correctly attached.
- 8i The only protective equipment that may be worn is a groin guard for males and breast guard for females.

8j The minimum training periods between assessments are as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> Dan to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dan	18 months
2 <sup>nd</sup> Dan to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dan	24 months
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dan to 4 <sup>th</sup> Dan	36 months
4 <sup>th</sup> Dan to 5 <sup>th</sup> Dan	48 months
5 <sup>th</sup> Dan to 6 <sup>th</sup> Dan	60 months
6 <sup>th</sup> Dan to 7 <sup>th</sup> Dan	72 months
7 <sup>th</sup> Dan to 8 <sup>th</sup> Dan	85 months
8 <sup>th</sup> Dan to 9 <sup>th</sup> Dan	96 months

## 9 Colour Belt Member

- 9a A colour belt member is any member who has succeeded an appropriate assessment and whose examiner qualifications and assessment criteria have been approved by the Instructor
- 9b A colour belt member is required to wear an approved training suit which has the officially approved FGMR-ITF badge worn on the front left chest and the officially approved STONEHENGE TKD badge is worn on the right front chest.
- 9c An approved official school badge (if applicable) is to be worn on the left sleeve of the training suit, positioned such, with the arm downward, the badge is at the same level as the FGMR-ITF and STONEHENGE TKD badges.
- 9d A colour belt member will wear a coloured belt to represent their grade as follows:
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| 10 <sup>th</sup> kup | White Belt                            |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> kup  | White Belt with Yellow tips or Stripe |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> kup  | Yellow Belt                           |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> kup  | Yellow Belt with Green tips or Stripe |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> kup  | Green Belt                            |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> kup  | Green Belt with Blue tips or Stripe   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> kup  | Blue Belt                             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> kup  | Blue belt with Red tips               |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kup  | Red Belt                              |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> kup  | Red Belt with Black tips              |
- 9e Coloured tips are to be no wider than 25mm and positioned 50mm from each end of the belt.
- 9f Coloured Stripe is an integrated part of the under 13yrs junior grade belts system

## 10 Colour Belt Assessments

- 10a Colour belt assessments (gradings) shall be held, as a minimum, 4 times a year.
- 10b The member's training suit must be very smart and clean with all the necessary badges and insignia correctly attached.
- 10c The only protective equipment that may be worn is a groin guard for male and breast guard for females.
- 10d Grading Fees may be varied from time to time and shall be set by the Association Examination Board
- 10e Re-examination fees will be paid in full.
- 10f Upon a successful grading a Pioneer Rhee Ki Ha certificate and a STONEHENGE TKD Colour Belt certificate will be issued.

10g The minimum training periods between assessments are as follows:

10 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 9 <sup>th</sup> Kup	1 month
9 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 8 <sup>th</sup> Kup	2 months
8 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 7 <sup>th</sup> Kup	2 months
7 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 6 <sup>th</sup> Kup	3 months
6 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 5 <sup>th</sup> Kup	3 months
5 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 4 <sup>th</sup> Kup	4 months
4 <sup>th</sup> Kup to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Kup	4 months
3 <sup>rd</sup> Kup to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kup	5 months
2 <sup>nd</sup> Kup to 1 <sup>st</sup> Kup	5 months
1 <sup>st</sup> Kup to 1 <sup>st</sup> Dan	6 months

10h The syllabus above may be extended for under 13yrs Junior Grades

## 11 Examiners

11a The Honorary Chief Examiner shall be Pioneer First Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha.

11b The Principal Examiner shall be Grand Master Ray O'Neill IX Dan. In the event of him being unavailable, he shall appoint Deputy Examiner (s) as required.

11c International Instructors are entitled to assess their own students. These assessments must be notified to the Principal Examiner and conducted in accordance with STONEHENGE TKD grading requirements.

11d It is expected that appropriate hospitality be afforded to any visiting examiner.

## 12 Newsletters

12a Newsletters will be published periodically and are for the benefit and information of all Instructors, Black Belts and Coloured Belts.

## 13 Press & Public Relations.

13a All articles for publicity or statements about STONEHENGE TKD must be approved by the Instructor

## 14 Competitions

14a Competitions may only be organised with the permission of the STONEHENGE TKD Instructor

14b Any STONEHENGE TKD Member may apply to host a competition.

14c Competitions will be run in accordance with STONEHENGE TKD Competition Rules.

## 15 Recognition of Grade and Qualification to STONEHENGE TKD

15a STONEHENGE TKD will recognise the grade and qualification of any new member providing the grade and qualification can be verified by an approved STONEHENGE TKD Examiner.

15b Where deemed necessary, a new member must also be prepared to submit themselves for assessment by an approved Examiner

**16 Disputes**

- 16a In any dispute involving members of STONEHENGE TKD they should, in the first instance, attempt to resolve the dispute between them in a constructive manner.
- 16b Should any dispute between members not be resolved in accordance with 16a then the Instructor will consider and rule in accordance with the aims and objectives of STONEHENGE TKD whose ruling in the matter will be final.

**17 Contravention of these Rules & Regulations.**

- 17a These Rules and Regulations are in place to provide an understanding of how the STONEHENGE TKD is to be run, in a structured, fair, reasonable and legal manner.
- 17b Any member disregarding the Rules and Regulations of STONEHENGE TKD and /or conducts themselves in a way that brings or causes to bring STONEHENGE TKD or any of its members into disrepute may have their membership terminated.

Rules are subject to change as and when the Principle Instructor wishes it so  
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