



Technical Notice 117

Kata Pre-qualification and Assessment

It has become apparent that the pre-qualification and assessment of Kata is not consistent throughout the whole of BJC and does not always come up to the expected BJC standard for that grade.

ATOs and Kata Assessors are therefore reminded they are responsible for the performance demonstrated by their candidates.

The NTC and Senior Kata Assessors will be re-checking any Kata qualification - as they see fit, and will advise the ATO and Kata Assessors of any weakness of standards observed in their candidates.

This verification procedure will remain in place as a "Quality Control" constant.

In addition, all Kata Assessors are reminded that:

1. The BJC standard Kata assessment forms must be used when assessing all Kata (these are attached and are available from the BJC website).
2. The BJC procedures must be used when pre-assessing Kata.
3. Assessors are expected to renew their qualifications every 3 years.
4. It is encouraged that all ATOs attend the BJC master class to become formally qualified.
5. All assessors are to be unbiased and realistic in completing the Assessment sheets, and this too has come under NTC scrutiny.

The BJC Technical Centre are compiling a guide for the assessment of Kata – in particular this guide will explain fully how the BJC assessment sheets are to be completed. This guide will be available shortly.

Presentations of this guide will also be carried out at BJC events on a regular basis. These presentations can also be organised to be carried out at Area functions by the ATO contact the BJC Technical Centre.

Yours sincerely

Simon Mazzullo
BJC Technical Centre

Attached:

- i. BJC Kata Assessment sheets*
- ii. Current list of qualified Kata Assessors*

Approved by: The National Technical Committee (NTC)
Authorised by: Robin Otani – President