

1st KUP Grade Sheet – Black tag to 1st degree Black Belt

To pass you grading you will have to demonstrate:

- Moves and patterns from your previous gradings + Choong Moo
- Hand and Kicking Power against a bag or board
- Combinations up and down the floor (Advanced Freestyle)
- Ability to put together and communicate combinations to other students.
- Free Sparring – Ability to attack and defend 2 against 1
- One Step Sparring (At least ten different combinations with four different take downs)
- Grabs and Releases (Advanced i.e. with counter attack)
- A high level of fitness able to work out continuously at a reasonable pace for a prolonged session (circa three hours).

CHOONG MOO – 30 moves

Was the given name of the great Admiral Yi Sun Sin of the Yi dynasty. He was reputed to have invented the worlds first armoured battleship (Kobukson) which was the precursor to the modern day submarine, in 1582AD. The reason this pattern ends with a left handed attack is to symbolise his regrettable death having no chance to show his unrestrained potentiality checked by his forced reservation of his loyalty to the king.

Black Belt signifies: Black is opposite from white, therefore signifying the maturity and proficiency in Tae Kwon Do, and also indicates the wearers imperviousness to darkness and fear.

Look at the “General Theory for Seniors” document that explains what you need to know for black belt.