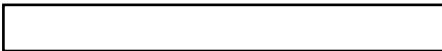






UAEJF Graduation System

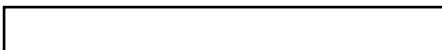








Article 1 – Belts

1.1 Belt ranks for athletes ages 04 to 15 years old

1. White	
2. Grey	
3. Yellow	
4. Orange	
5. Green	

1.2 Belt ranks for athletes of ages of 16 and older

1. White	
2. Blue	
3. Purple	
4. Brown	
5. Black	
6. Red and Black	
7. Red and White	
8. Red	

1.3 Configuration of Belts

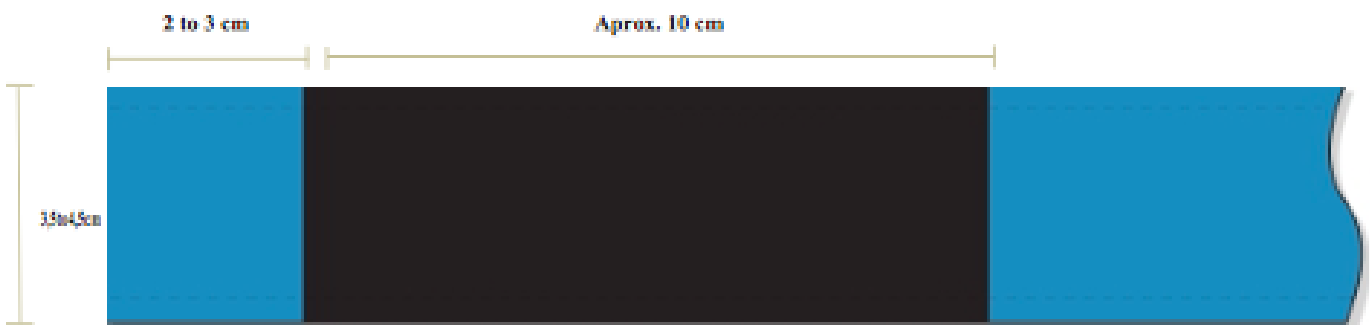
1.3.1 Belts of Athletes from 04 to 15 years old

Belts will be from 2.5 to 3.5 cm wide, and have one black bar of approximately 10 cm in length positioned between 2 cm to 3 cm from one of the ends. The belt may only have of the group or a white or black stripe across the center of its entire length



1.3.2 From White to Brown Belt – Athletes starting from 16 years old

Belts will be from 3.5 to 4.5 cm wide, and have a black bar of approximately 10 cm in length placed between 2 to 3 cm from one of the ends.



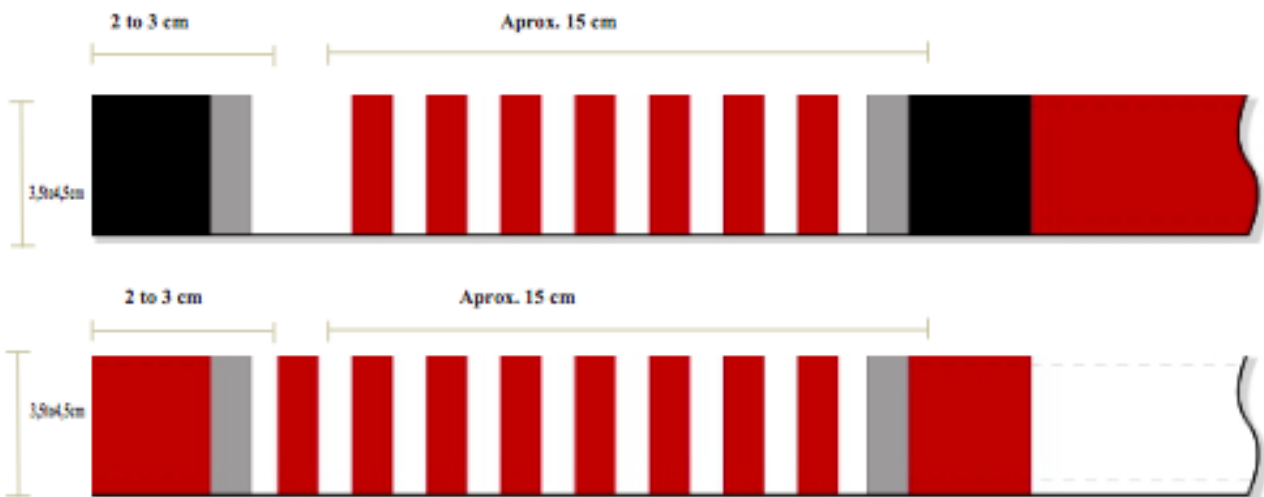
1.3.3 Black Belt

Black belts shall have a red bar of approximately 10 cm in length positioned between 2 to 3 cm from one of the ends. It will be delineated by two white bars and will receive markings from one to six degrees.



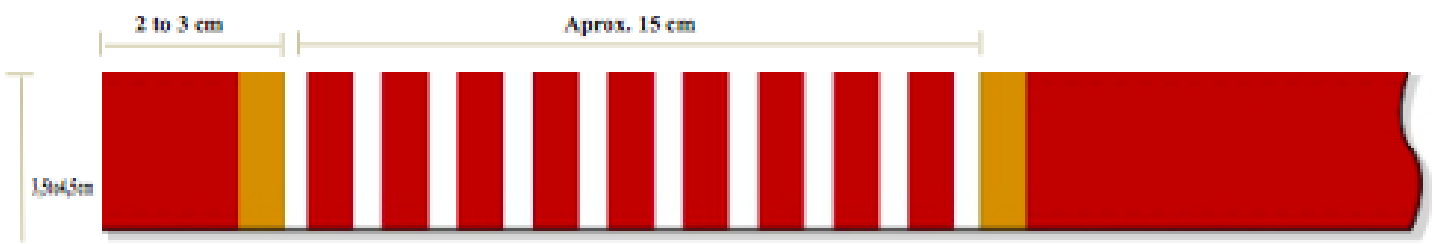
1.3.4 Red and Black Belt / Red and White Belt

Masters' belts are red and black (7th grade) and red and white (8th grade) intercalated with stripes of 20 cm. The belts will have a white bar of approximately 15 cm in length placed between 2 to 3 cm from one of the ends delineated by two silver bars in which they will receive degree markings in red.



1.3.5 Red Belt

The Grand Masters' belt (9th and 10th degrees) will be red. It will have a white bar of approximately 15 cm in length placed between 2 to 3 cm in one of the ends delineated by two gold bars of 2 cm in which they will receive degree markings in red.



Article 2 – Minimum Ages

2.1 Minimum age requirements for athletes between 04 and 15 years old

White – Any Age

Group Grey – 4 to 15 years

Group Yellow – 7 to 15 years

Group Orange – 10 to 15 years

Group Green – 13 to 15 years

2.2 Minimum requirements for athletes starting from 16 years old

White – Any age

Blue – 16 years or more

Purple – 16 years or more

Brown – 18 years or more

Black – 19 years or more

Red and black – 50 years or more

Red and white – 57 years or more

Red – 67 years or more

2.3 Observations

2.3.1 The minimum age for the athlete to be eligible to change belt is the age he/she has turned or will turn in the current year, following the formula:

current year – birth year = age of the athlete

2.3.2 In the year that the athlete turns 16, he/she must be placed in the belt system from Article 1.1. He/she will be promoted to the new rank according to their current belt.

White belt – Remains white belt

Grey, yellow, and orange belts – Becomes blue belt

Green belt – Becomes blue or purple belt according to professor's decision.

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Article 3 – Minimum Period

3.1 The Graduation of athletes must also meet the following minimum periods of permanence in each color:

3.1.1 Practitioners between 04 and 15 years old – No minimum period required

3.1.2 Practitioners between 16 and 17 years old

White – No minimum time

Blue – No minimum time

Purple – 2 (two) years

3.1.3 Practitioners over 18 years old – White to Brown belt

White – No minimum time

Blue – 2 (two) years

Purple – 1 (one) and a half year

Brown – 1 (one) year

3.1.4 Athletes from the Black Belt

Black – 31 years

Red and black – 7 years

Red and white – 10 years

Red – Undefined

*The periods mentioned in this topic are fixed (not minimum), and determine how long each practitioner should remain in each belt.

3.2 Observations

3.2.1 The period mentioned in the Article 3 should be counted from the day of the registration of the athlete at UAEJF in each belt

3.2.2 The time it takes for the practitioner to graduate from white belt to black belt is up to the practitioner's professor. However, the UAEJF requires a mandatory minimum amount of time the practitioner must spend on each belt.

3.2.3 From the black belt graduation onwards (red and black belt, red and white belt, and red belt), the practitioner must meet the mandatory minimum time for each rank after black belt graduation date.

Article 4 – Degree System

4.1 Division by degrees

4.1.1 Athletes between 04 and 15 years old

The UAEJJF suggests that professors have some way of dividing each belt by degrees.

See the suggestion in the exhibit of this Regulation.

4.1.2 Athletes over 16 years old

White belt, Blue belt, Purple belt, Brown belt – Single color belts divided by 4 degrees

Black belt – Single color belt and divided by 6 degrees.

Red and Black belt – Represents the 7th degree of the black belt

Red and White belt – Represents the 8th degree of the black belt

Red belt – Represents the 9th and 10th degree black belt

Note: Until the brown belt, the adoption of the degree system is up to each professor.

However, when a practitioner receives a black belt, it is mandatory to adopt the degree system defined by the UAEJJF.

4.1.3 Athletes from the black belt ranking onwards (red and black, red and white, and red belt)

- Every promotion to a new degree in the black belt is only valid starting from the issuance of the UAEJJF diploma, after the applicants meet the minimum requirements presented in Article 5.
- The first degree can only be requested after a minimum of 3 years after the black belt graduation.
- The 2nd and 3rd grades can be requested only after a minimum of 3 years from the previous graduation
- The 4th, 5th, and 6th grades can be requested only after a minimum period of 5 years from the previous graduation.
- The 7th and 8th grades (red and black belt) can be requested only after a period of 7 years from the previous graduation.
- The 9th degree can only be applied (red belt) can only be applied after a minimum period of 10 years from the previous graduation.
- The 10th grade (red belt) has been given only to pioneers of Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, such as the Gracie brothers Carlos, Oswaldo, George, Gaston, and Helio.

Note: The years where the athlete does not renew his/her membership and/or register an academy with UAEJJF will not count as time towards certifying a degree or degrees.

Article 5 – UAEJJF Basic Requirements to Obtain the Black Belt Certificate and Degrees

5.1 Basic Requirements

- Must be affiliated to UAEJJF in the current year.
 - Must provide First Aid or CPR course certificate.
 - Must attend AJP Referee Course within 12-month period before the date the athlete requests the new degree.
 - Must attend at least one of the two requirements.
1. Must be the professor responsible or assistant professor at an academy that has renewed the affiliation through UAEJJF in all previous years for the minimum period required for the new graduation.
 2. Must be an athlete practicing Jiu-Jitsu at an academy that has renewed their registration through any recognized federation in all previous years for the minimum period required for the new graduation, and has a professor (in charge) who is a black belt with at least 2 degrees certified by UAEJJF. **Note: The professor that signs the application form must also be the Professor that promoted the athlete and be a black belt with at least 2 degrees certified by UAEJJF.**

5.2 Observations

5.2.1 The black belt certification graduation for each new degree is an individual process that depends on a thorough analysis by the UAEJJF including examination of documents, therefore, there is no set time for its conclusion

5.2.2 In countries where there is a local organization or federation linked to UAEJJF who is responsible for the certification, it may require additional documents to the basic UAEJJF requirements.

Article 6 – Professor and Instructors

6.1 The membership form of an athlete graded in belts of grey, yellow, orange, green, blue, purple, and brown must be signed by a UAEJJF affiliated black belt

6.2 The graduation of an athlete to the black belt can only be signed by a black belt instructor that promoted them and must have at least degrees certified by UAEJJF.

6.3 In countries or regions where there are not enough black belts for the development of the sport, UAEJJF will accept purple belt and brown belt athletes to sign as instructors. Once the minimum number is reached, the use of instructor status will be suspended.

6.3.1 Brown belt instructors can only graduate athletes to purple belt and purple belt instructors can only graduate athletes to blue belt.

General System of Graduation



Annex 1

Suggested Degree System for Athletes
between 4 and 15 Years Old

1 Annex

The UAEJF suggests three methods of dividing each belt in degrees for practitioners between 04 and 15 years of age. The decision of practicing this method or not is at the discretion of each professor.

1.1 Trimestral System (every 3 months)

For the academies that adopt the degree graduation every 3 months, the UAEJF suggests three degrees for each belt. The fourth degree will be graduating the athlete to the next belt color according to the images below.

1st, 2nd and 3rd MONTH



4th, 5th and 6th MONTH



7th, 8th and 9th MONTH



10th, 11th and 12th MONTH



TOTAL: 1 YEAR

1.2 Quarterly System (every four months)

For the academies that adopt the degree graduation every four months, the UAEJF suggests two degrees for each belt. The third degree will be graduating the athlete to the next belt color according to the images below.

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th MONTH



5th, 6th, 7th and 8th MONTH



9th, 10th, 11th and 12th MONTH



TOTAL: 1 YEAR

1.3 Monthly System

For the academies that adopt the degree graduation every month, the UAEJJF suggests 11 degrees for each belt. The 12th degree will be graduating the athlete to the next belt color. The first four degrees are white, the next four degrees will be red, and the last three degrees will be of the color of the athlete's next belt, as shown on the images below.

1st MONTH



7th MONTH



2nd MONTH



8th MONTH



3rd MONTH



9th MONTH



4th MONTH



10th MONTH



5th MONTH



11th MONTH



6th MONTH



12th MONTH



TOTAL: 1 YEAR

1.4 Degree system for white belts, and white and grey belts

The UAEJJF suggests 1 degree per month in white and grey, and white belts for the completion period of 1 year in two graduations.

WHITE BELT

1st MONTH



2nd MONTH



3rd MONTH



4th MONTH



5th MONTH



TOTAL: 6 MONTH

GREY/WHITE BELT

1st MONTH



6th MONTH

WHITE + GREY BELT = TOTAL: 1 YEAR

