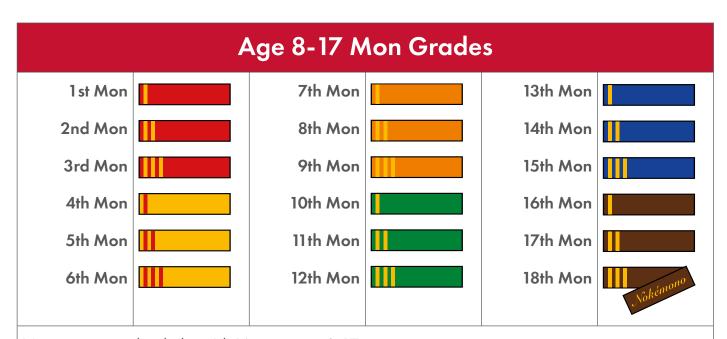
Nokémono Judokwai Guide to your gradings



All gradings are conducted at Muscliff Park Youth Centre, Shillingstone Drive, Bournemouth BH9 3LR

Grading day schedule		Juniors	Seniors
10.00am - 10.45am	Red belts	1 st Mon - 3rd Mon	6th Kyu
10.45am - 11.30pm	Yellow belts	4rd Mon - 6th Mon	5th Kyu
11.30pm - 12.15pm	Orange belts	7th Mon - 9th Mon	4th Kyu
12.15pm - 1.00pm	Green belts	10th Mon - 12th Mon	3rd Kyu
12.15pm - 1.00pm	Blue belts	13th Mon - 15th Mon	2nd Kyu
To be advised	Brown belts	16th Mon - 18th Mon	1 st Kyu



Novice up to and including 6th Mon — ages 8-17

Candidates may be promoted one Mon every calendar month.

This allowance for ages 8-17 is because it is known and accepted that at this age range, young people have a greater capacity for learning and therefore more able to undertake examination at shorter intervals.

Novice Kyu 6th Kyu 5th Kyu Age 16+ Kyu Grades Novice up to and Including 5th Kyu Candidates may be promoted one Kyu grade per calendar month. From 5th Kyu and above Candidates may be promoted one Kyu grade every three calendar months. There is no limit to the number of attempts to gain promotion. At Nokémono any senior promotion from 5th Kyu and above you will also need to attend an external competition. Please discuss this with one of the Nokémono coaches.

The Judo Code

For each grade up to and including 6th Mon, knowledge of the judo code as detailed in the record book is required. Examiners are required to ensure that candidates have the knowledge and understanding of the Judo Code appropriate to their chronological age and experience in the sport.

Jigoro Kano, the founder of modern judo, wrote a moral code that judoka should follow both on and off the mat. Kano said judo was a teaching for life itself, believing "the ultimate objective is that the discipline of judo is to be utilised as a means to self-perfection, and henceforth to make a positive contribution to society."

What is the Judo moral code?

Courtesy Be polite to other people

Courage Face difficulty without fear

Fair play Be a good sport, play by the rules

Honour Fairness in beliefs and actions

Modesty Be without vanity or boastfulness

Respect Regard for others

Self Respect Control over yourself and your actions

Friendship Be a good friend, be helpful and kind

Hygiene Cleanliness on the mat

