



2008 AUSKF  
IAIDO CAMP  
BRYN MAWR, PA

## The All United States Kendo Federation

March 31, 2008

### Members All United States Kendo Federation (AUSKF) IAIDO-BU:

The Japanese Swordsmanship Society, Inc (JSS). is very pleased to host the AUSKF 2008 Iaidô Camp from Wednesday, June 4, 2007 to Sunday, June 8, 2007 at Bryn Mawr College, (BMC) Bryn Mawr Pennsylvania.

Enclosed please find a packet of registration sheets. All forms and payments in this packet must be **received** at the camp mailing address below **by May 15, 2008**. After that date **only Seminar** applications will be received and a **\$35 late fee** will be required. **Taikai and Shinsa applications must be in by May 15. No refunds or Seminar applications will be accepted after June 1.**

Candidates seeking the ranks of 5 Dan and below are eligible to test. They must have written permission from their instructor and the president of their Member Kendo Federation and be members in good standing in the AUSKF.

Registrants are responsible for their own transportation. If you have not already made your flight arrangements, please do so as early as possible to get the best airfare. The nearest airport is the Philadelphia Airport (PHL). But, if you cannot get a flight to Philadelphia a second choice is Liberty Airport Newark New Jersey (EWR). There is train service, SEPTA, 3 blocks from the campus. I-476 is only a couple miles up US30 from the college. There is more details on the JSS Website

The costs for this year's Iaidô camp are much more affordable than some past venue. The Seminar and Taikai fee is \$120. BMC dorm rooms with 3 meals a day plus use of the gym is \$60/day. This means \$240 covers all of your food and room needs. The rooms are either singles or doubles and are air-conditioned. Showers and toilets are down the hall. There is a Best Western hotel is near by at 127 South Gulph, King of Prussia, PA 19406, with a special rate for AUSKF. Telephone **(610) 265-4500**. This would require the \$25 Day Trip fee. See the web site for details. Shinsa testing fee is \$50 plus a rank registration (Menjô) fee based upon your rank (see page 2). Note the rank registrations are now only in English.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address and phone number below. Please return the Applications and money ASAP.

**It is less than 6 weeks to the May 15 cutoff day.** Remember your applications must be in my hands by May 15;

We look forward to seeing you in June!

Sincerely,

John  
Prough

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**AUSKF 2008 IAIDO SHINSA APPLICATION FORM**  
**AUSKF MEMBERS ONLY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F \_\_\_\_ AUSKF ID # \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First **Please print all information clearly**

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Primary): (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (Secondary) (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Age at time of this exam: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Present Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Place Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (Month / Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Dojo: \_\_\_\_\_ Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Rank Registration Certificates will be sent to the Instructor for distribution to newly promoted members**

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Kendo Federation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Member's Kendo Federation President: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Member's Kendo Federation President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any handicaps, injuries, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

Shinsa Fee (Check #2), **\$ 50.00** Menjô Fee\* (Check #3) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**If not tested or failed test, Check #3 will not be deposited and will be destroyed.**

Make Checks or Money Orders Payable to All United States Kendo Federation

Applications received after May 15 not accepted. Return form and Check(s) to: Camp Office below.

*	Kyu (17 and under)	\$ 10	Kyu (18 and over)	\$ 20
	1 dan	\$ 30	2 dan	\$ 40
	3 dan	\$ 60	4 dan	\$ 80
	5 dan	\$100		

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### Questions for 2008 AUSKF Iaidô Shinsa

Each applicant testing for 1<sup>st</sup> kyu and above will be required to answer two of the three questions given for the rank for which they are testing. You must be a **member in good standing in AUSKF**.

**Write clearly your name, Dojo, and the rank you are testing for;** across top of answer sheet.

#### First Kyu candidates:

- 1: What do you hope to gain through the study of Iaidô?  
?
- 2: What is the purpose of *chiburui*?
- 3: List the names of all 12 All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido katas.

#### Shodan candidates:

- 1: Explain what is meant by the term *saya biki*. Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.
- 2: Draw a simple diagram of a katana, label as many parts as you can.
- 3: *Tsuki* (thrusts) occur in five of the All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata. Name these kata, and identify their target areas.

#### Nidan candidates:

- 1: Discuss the concept of *zanshin*. Describe its use in at least one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.
- 2: Explain the proper way of gripping the katana when cutting.
- 3: What is meant by the term *Iai goshi*? Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.

#### Sandan candidates:

- 1: What is *kirioroshi*? Describe its use in one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.
- 2: Describe how to clean a sword (*shinken* and/or *iaito*).
- 3: How should the left hand function while drawing the sword?

#### Yondan candidates:

- 1: Write what you know about *kokyu* (breath control) in Iaido.
- 2: What is meant by *jo-ha-kyu*? Describe its use in at least one All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido kata.
- 3: Discuss the relationship of Iaido and Kendo.

#### Godan candidates:

- 1: Discuss *reiho*, What does the word mean, why is it important in the dojo?
- 2: Discuss *metsuke*.
- 3: Name the 2 sitting postures used in All Japan Kendo Federation Iaido. Describe how to sit in each, and how to get up.

Answers must be **received by May 15, 2008** at address below.

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### **AUSKF** 2008 IAIDO CAMP WAIVER OF LIABILITY

**All seminar, taikai and shinsa participants MUST read and sign the following and submit this form with all other application forms:**

I, the undersigned, do hereby voluntarily submit my application for participation and attendance in the AUSKF 2008 Iaido Camp, and hereby release all rights or claims for any injuries, loss of, or damage to personal property that I may incur while attending and participating in the aforementioned event. I hereby waive any and all claims against the All United States Kendo Federation (AUSKF), Bryn Mawr College (BMC), and the Japanese Swordsmanship Society/Nippon Budo Sogo Dojo, Inc. (JSS) or any officials, agents, representatives, successors, and assignees of those individuals or organizations arranging or conducting said event. I further state that I am in good health and physical condition so that I may participate in said event. If I am less than 18 years of age, this release and consent must also be signed by a parent or Legal Guardian.

I have read and understood the information pertaining to the AUSKF 2008 Iaido Camp and hereby attest that all information given is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also accept all decisions of the referees, judges and examining board as being final.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian (if participant is under 18 years of age):**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Survey**  
**Please return with your registration.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Regional Federation name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dojo Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

	check	Style (Koryu)	Instructor		rank
			Phone #	Email	
Kendo	Yes or No				
Iaido	Yes or No				
Jodo	Yes or No				
	Yes or No				
	Yes or No				

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*In order to avoid any confusion or frustration, please make sure everything on the checklist below is completed and sent in together. Your AUSKF ID CARD has membership number which is needed on the applications. But, it does not show whether you are currently a member.*

- 2008 AUSKF Iaidô Camp Seminar fees & Housing Form
- 2008 AUSKF Iaidô Camp Room and Meals at Bryn Mawr College  
or
- 2008 AUSKF Iaido Camp Day Trip Fee for use of gym and lunch.
- 2008 AUSKF Iaidô Waiver Form.
- Check #1 for 2008 AUSKF Iaidô Camp Seminar Fee etc
- Check #2 for AUSKF Shinsa Fee (\$50.00)
- Check #3 for AUSKF Rank Registration fee (schedule on page 2)
- Copy of your current Menjô (rank certificate) if you have Iaidô rank.& AUSKF ID Card
- Written Exam Form and answers to appropriate test questions.
- Dojo Survey Questionnaire.
- Auskf 2008 shinsa application form

**All must be mailed to and received by May 15, 2008  
in Camp Office.**

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