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Dear Club Instructor

Subject: Coaching Qualifications

The EKF have now completed a Coaching Award Programme for instructors. The programme is similar to the programme produced by the EKGB and adopted by the Ishinryu Karate Association.

There are now 7 awards available:

Junior Dojo Leader

- Permitted to deal with club administrative duties.
- Minimum Age 16.
- Minimum Grade 3rd Kyu.

Level 1 – Provisional Coach

- Club Administration
- Work with small groups with written instructions from Club Coach
- Club Coach must be present to supervise
- Minimum Age 18
- Minimum Grade 3rd Kyu

Level 2 – Assistant Coach

- Club Administration
- Take charge of group using own initiative.
- Stand in for the Club Coach as needed.
- Minimum Age 18
- Minimum Grade 1st Dan

Level 3 – Club Coach

- Take charge of running a club.
- Plan and deliver short term individual and group training programmes.
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- Supervise Assistant Coaches.
- Minimum Age 18
- Minimum Grade 1st Dan

Level 4 – Head Coach

- Take charge of running a club.
- Plan and deliver short term individual and group training programmes.
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- Supervise Assistant Coaches.
- Minimum Age 18
- Minimum Grade 3rd Dan

Level 5 – Chief Instructor

- Evidence of working as a Chief Instructor for an EKF member Association
- Minimum Grade 4th Dan

‘S’ Level – Specialist Coach

(Minimum requirements as Club Coach)

Kumite Specialist

Evidence of coaching an athlete to all of the following:

- English Champion, British Champion, European and/or WKF International.
- Evidence of attendance at EKF coaches/rules course

Kata Specialist

Evidence of coaching an athlete to all of the following:

- English Champion, British Champion, European and/or WKF International.
- Evidence of attendance at EKF kata/rules course

All applicants will be required to attend 1 coaching course plus 1 examination course (Junior Dojo Leaders only need to attend 1 coaching course). I enclose an application form for the first coaching course which takes place on Saturday 12th September 2009. An examination course will follow shortly after.

Regards

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Ishinryu Coaching Officer