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Recognition procedure for new members from other organizations

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The following procedure will be followed by the International Taekwon-Do Federation (ITF) for people who wish to affiliate as Black Belts when they were previously with the other Martial Arts organizations.

From ITF norm of the other Martial Arts organizations, it means the Martial Arts organization in a worldwide organizational structure with more than 50 member nations.

1) A whole group from another organization applying to join the ITF

- The letter of request from the applicant and a letter of recommendation from the NGB concerned shall be sent to the ITF HQ by the NGB concerned.
- ITF HQ shall send a letter of invitation or rejection to the NGB concerned, 2 weeks after completing a thorough review of the application.

The NGB, upon receiving a letter of invitation, shall send to the ITF HQ the application documents for Dan membership certificate replacement and promotion, copies of the degree certificates issued by the original organization, as well as the relevant Dan certificate membership fees.

Having received the above-mentioned articles, the ITF HQ shall issue and send the Dan membership certificate replacements and the new Dan membership certificates to the NGB within one (1) month.

On receipt of the Dan membership certificate replacements and the new Dan membership certificate, the applicant shall automatically become a member of the Continental Federation and NGB concerned.

2) An individual from another organization applying to join the ITF

- As for the Dan membership certificate replacement and promotion of up to the 3rd Dan, the rules for the ITF black belt promotion shall be applied.

The NGB shall send the membership fees and copies of the Dan certificates issued by the other organization to the ITF.

In the case of the Dan membership certificate replacement for 1st Dan up to 3rd Dan, the date of promotion shall be the one on the Dan certificate issued by the other organization.

- As for the Dan membership certificates replacement or promotion for the 4th Dan up to Master's Dan, they shall be given an intensive spiritual, moral and technical education from ITF Masters. After the intensive education, the NGB concerned shall send the promotion permission application documents for replacement of the Dan certificate issued by the other Organization, as well as the confirmation of intensive education containing the intensive training contents and signatures of the NGB and the educator one (1) month before the official test. The rest of the procedure shall be the same as that for issuing membership certificates for 4th Dan and above.

As for the Dan membership certificate replacement for 4th Dan up to 6th Dan, the date of promotion shall be the one when the official test has been done by an ITF educator.

As for the Dan membership certificate replacement for 7th Dan and above, the date of promotion shall be the one when their promotion is decided at the EB meeting, irrespective of the date of promotion in their original organizations or date of promotion test by an ITF educator.