

HOW TO SECURE RECOGNITION FOR A FOREIGN RANK

- A. A person who has earned a black belt in judo outside of Canada cannot register as a Yudansha member with Judo Canada, and by extension Judo BC, until his/her rank has been recognized by Judo Canada.
- B. For an individual to apply for a foreign rank recognition, they must first:
 - 1 Be a member in good standing with Judo Canada (Mudansha member); and
 - 2 Have a Judo Canada passport. The passport must have been obtained before applying for recognition. [Click here](#) for more details.
- C. Once these two conditions are met, the individual can fill out a foreign recognition form. [Click here](#) to download a copy of the forms from the Judo Canada's website.
- D. The request for recognition must include:
 - 1 Completed form for Judo Canada
 - 2 Proof of his/her rank with another national judo federation
 - 3 Judo Canada passport
 - 4 Payment
- E. It is important to note that the form **MUST** be
 - 1. Signed by the individual's Sensei; and
 - 2. Forwarded to the Provincial Grading Chair for review and signature.
- F. If the request is approved, the passport will be signed to recognize the rank of the individual. The signed passport will be the only proof of recognition. No certificate will be issued by Judo Canada.
- G. Only once the request is approved can this person register as a Yudansha member with Judo Canada (and Judo BC).