



## SHIDOGAKUIN

School of the Japanese Way

Shozo Kato, Head Instructor

[www.kendoka.org](http://www.kendoka.org)

Dear Sensei and Kendo friends,

Happy New Year! We wish you, your family and your students a wonderful 2015! Once again, we would like to invite you and your students to participate the 22nd Annual Shidogakuin Tournament, to be held on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Rutgers University, College Avenue Gym, 130 College Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Registration file attached.

### Individual Divisions:

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A. Up to 10 years old         | B. 11 to 12 years old         | C. 13 to 15 years old         |
| D. 16 to 18 years old         | E. 19 and up (up to ni-kyu)   | F. 19 and up (1-kyu/shodan)   |
| G. 19 and up (ni-dan/san-dan) | H. 19 and up (yon-dan and up) | I. Women: 16 years old and up |

### Team Divisions:

Team members must be from the same dojo or the same school

#### **Youth Team** (3 member team)

Senpo: up to 12 years old, Chuken: up to 15 years old, Taisho: up to 18 years old

**Mitsukoshi Cup** (3 member team) - High School and College (must be undergraduate).

Doors open at 8:00 o'clock. Tournament starts at 9:00 AM.

Entry fee: \$25.00. Make check payable to Rutgers University Kendo Club.

Please send registration and entry fee to:

Christine Lee, President  
Rutgers University Kendo Club  
c/o 1702 Yosko Drive, Edison, NJ 08817

Submission Deadline: Application must be received (not post marked) by Wednesday, February 18, 2015

To be continued

**Kendo Seminar – Saturday, March 7 – Loree Gym, Rutgers University – 12 Noon to 2:30 PM**

Shozo Kato Sensei, Kendo Kyoshi 8 Dan will conduct a Kendo Seminar focus on yuko-datotsu (valid strike) on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 NOON – 2:30 PM at Loree Gym, Rutgers University, 70 Lipman Drive, New Brunswick, NJ. Doors open at 11:30 AM. It is essential to understand yuko-datotsu regardless shinpan, shiai or shinsa. This seminar is open to all.

Seminar Fee: \$15.00. Make check payable to GNEUSKF

Please provide name, rank, dojo and seminar fee to Christine Lee, President, Rutgers Kendo Club.

**Shinsa – Saturday, March 7 – Loree Gym, Rutgers University – Registration starts at 2:30 PM**

The Greater Northeastern United States Kendo Federation (GNEUSKF) promotion examination, up to yondan, will be held on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at Loree Gym, Rutgers University, 70 Lipman Drive, New Brunswick. Candidates must be current AUSKF member. Non-GNEUSKF candidates must submit written permission from his/her regional federation president. Please provide **two checks**, one for testing and one for menjo (rank recording fee). If the candidate failed the exam, the check for menjo will be void or returned upon request. Shinsa Registration starts at 2:30 PM. Shinsa start at 3:30 PM.

Testing fee: \$20.00. Make check payable to GNEUSKF

Menjo fee (see fee chart on application form): Make check payable to GNEUSKF

Please submit ranking examination application form, menjo copy, written test, testing fee and menjo fee to:

Michael Manning, GNEUSKF, VP, Promotion  
149 Byram Road, Greenwich, CT 06830

Manning Sensei's email address is [studio@michaelmanning.net](mailto:studio@michaelmanning.net). His phone number is 203-613-1773

Submission Deadline: Application must be received (not post marked) by Wednesday, February 18, 2015

Please do not hesitate to let me know if I can be of further assistance. I can be reach through email: [bchurch@kendoka.org](mailto:bchurch@kendoka.org) or by phone: 908.769.8997.

We look forward to seeing you at Rutgers University.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,  
Isabella Church



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## The 22nd Annual Shidogakuin Tournament

Sunday, March 8

Rutgers University, College Avenue Gym. 130 College Avenue, New Brunswick, New Jersey

### TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Please Print Clearly in English/Romanji

Name: Last First Kanji/kana

Address City

State Zip Phone E-mail

Dojo Age/DOB Sex F M  
Circle one

Kendo Rank (circle one) kyu dan When/Date Received  
Circle one

Emergency Contact Phone

### WAIVER OF LIABILITY

**I, INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND, DO HEREBY, FOR MYSELF, HEIRS, EXECUTORS, AND ADMINISTRATORS, WAIVE, RELEASE, AND FOREVER DISCHARGE ANY CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES, INJURY, OR LOSS OF LIFE OR PERSONAL PROPERTY WHICH I MAY INCUR, OR WHICH MY HEREAFTER ACCRUE TO ME AGAINST ALL UNITED STATES KENDO FEDERATION, GREATER NORTHEASTERN KENDO FEDERATION, SHIDOGAKUIN LTD., RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, THEIR OFFICERS, INSTRUCTORS, MEMBERS, AND EMPLOYEES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PARTICIPATION IN THE MARCH 8 TOURNAMENT AND RELATED ACTIVITIES.**

**WHERE THE PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR, I (THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN) DO UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE WAIVER AND GIVE PERMISSION TO THE TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS TO SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION FOR MY SON OR DAUGHTER IN THE EVENT OF SICKNESS OR INJURY.**

Signature Date

Parent/Guardian (if under 18) Date

Submit completed and signed registration form with \$25 entry fee to the address below. Registration must be received by (NOT post marked) Wednesday, February 18, 2015. Make check payable to Rutgers Kendo Club.

Christine Lee, President  
Rutgers University Kendo Club  
c/o 1702 Yosko Drive, Edison, NJ 08817

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A Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

B Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

## Mitsukoshi Cup (3 member team) – High School and College (undergraduate) team competition

A Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

B Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

C Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

D Team:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_



# GREATER NORTHEASTERN US KENDO FEDERATION

The regional federation

of

All United States Kendo Federation

## KENDO EXAMINATION APPLICATION FORM

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Exam Date 3 / 7 / 2015 Requesting Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
Circle one: Kyu / Dan

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) ( M.I) Regional Kendo Federation & AUSKF ID#

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Age at time of testing \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Present Rank \_\_\_\_\_ A copy of your current rank menjo: Please send it along with the exam application form.  
(Kyu/Dan)

List any handicaps, injuries etc: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Applicant) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Instructor's Signature) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Regional President) **\*\*required only for non-GNEUSKF member\*\*** (Date)

### MENJO APPLICATION

#### MENJO FEE CHART

*\*Circle one that apply\**

Kyu	ENGL
17yrs & Under	\$10
18yrs & Over	\$20
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1 Dan	\$30
2 Dan	\$40
3 Dan	\$60
4 Dan	\$80

LAST \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST \_\_\_\_\_

DOJO SENSEI'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Print

**MENJO MAILING ADDRESS:** Please provide one address for each dojo since we will send all menjo in one time. We prefer sensei's address.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

1. Please pay exam & menjo fee **in advance**.

2. Please make **separate checks** for exam fee and menjo fee.

3. Please make both exam & menjo checks payable to **GNEUSKF**.

4. Menjo check will be voided if the applicant do not pass the test.

5. **Exam fee is \$20**

6. Please send your essay with this application form.

7. Menjo **will not be requested** if menjo fee was not paid in advance.

8. Please send a copy of your current rank menjo.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

**EXAM APPLICATION, FEES & ESSAYS  
MAIL TO: Michael Manning, VP, Promotion  
149 Byram Road, Greenwich, CT 06830  
DEADLINE: Wednesday, February 18, 2015**

STAPLE TEST FEE CHECK HERE

STAPLE MENJO FEE CHECK HERE



*All United States Kendo Federation*

## **Kendo Promotion Examinations Written Test Questions (1Kyu - 4Dan)**

1-Kyu: Explain the benefits of “Kirikaeshi”

1-Dan: Choose (1) of the following to answer:

- A) Describe the “Ki-Ken-Tai-Ichi”
- B) Describe the 4 Types of Kendo Footwork. “Ashi-Sabaki”

2-Dan: Choose (1) of the following to answer:

- A) Describe the 4 Types of kendo “Sickness”
- B) Describe the 3 “Ma-ai”

3-Dan: Choose (1) of the following to answer:

- A) Describe the elements of “Yuko-datotsu”
- B) Describe the Metsuke. “Enzan-no Metsuke”

4-Dan: Choose (1) of the following to answer:

- A) Describe the benefits of the Kendo Kata and its relevance to Shinai Kendo
- B) Describe the “Zanshin”

### **INSTRUCTION:**

- This is an ESSAY question, DO NOT write a short, few sentence answer.
- Essay can be in English or Japanese.
- Use you own words, don’t just copy something.
- Include your Name, Requesting Rank & AUSKF ID Number.
- Regional Kendo Federation & Dojo Name.