






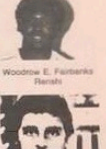
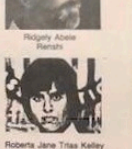

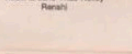
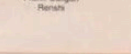
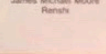


UNITED STATES KOBUDO TITLES

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1. A KYU AND/OR JUNIOR LEVEL (Gasshi) must be 12 years of age or over, must hold a martial art rank of 4th to 1st Kyu, and must have at least 3 to 7 years in an unarmed martial art. Gasshi level Kobudo-Ika must be able to perform the same number of weapons and forms as the Gasshi level. When the Kyu and/or Junior Kobudo-Ika becomes a Shodan and is 17 years of age or older, he/she must retest and retest for an adult Gasshi Kobudo rank level.

2. A STUDENT LEVEL (Gasshi) must be 17 to 34 years of age, must hold a martial art rank of 1st to 4th Dan and must have at least 8 years in an unarmed martial art.

3. A TEACHER LEVEL (Renshi) must be 35 to 40 years of age, hold a martial art rank of 5th to 8th Dan and must have at least 18 to 20 years in an unarmed martial art.

4. A MASTER LEVEL (Kyoshi) must be 50 to 59 years of age, must hold a martial art rank of 7th to 8th Dan, recognized by at least two (2) or more foreign countries and/or two (2) or more authentic Grandmasters of 8th to 9th Dan grades and must have at least 30 to 40 years in an unarmed martial art.

5. A GRANDMASTER LEVEL (Hanshi) must be 60 years of age or over, must hold a martial art rank of 9th to 10th Dan, recognized by at least two (2) or more foreign countries and/or two (2) or more authentic Grandmasters of 9th to 10th Dan grades and must have at least 40 years or over in an unarmed martial art.

6. The title of "Hanshi" means teacher in the sense of being one whose skills are proficient enough to be an example for others, where as "Sensei" denotes someone who is simply the head of a school. Gasshi are many and may vary in their level of ability, but to be called a Renshi one must exhibit a recognized level of ability and skills that are accepted by international standards.