

**The AJKA-I Instructor Training Program is designed with two goals in mind. First, to encourage the Formal training of karate instructors for the development of AJKA-I Shotokan Karate-Do, Second, to help Participants develop interpersonal, class presentation, skills necessary to motivate and guide others in their search to understand and master the art of Shotokan Karate-Do.**

**Candidates are admitted to the program based upon their interest and their potential to develop into highly qualified karate instructors. The program is based on time in training, attainment of ranking and performance of karate instruction in the candidate's own club.**

**Every person licensed as an instructor by the AJKA-I is required to attend and participate in at least 4 instructor training seminars each calendar year. Every effort is made to conduct these seminars at the individual's own training site, and/or national camps as to minimize travel requirements. Videos and written materials are offered as supplements to the training program.**

**Upon registration, each instructor training candidate is required to keep track of hours of supervised instruction. These hours should be verified with the supervising instructor as they are completed. When sufficient hours are logged for promotion in instructor grade, the supervising instructor will review the candidate's progress and forward his recommendation for promotion to the AJKA-I Chief Instructor.**

**Upon approval, the chief instructor will issue the appropriate license.**

#### **Licensed Positions:**

- 1., Unclassified Trainee**
- 2., Instructor Trainee (Class E)—Finished instructor course and minimum Son-Dan**
- 3., Associate Instructor (Class D)—Finished Instructor course and practicing for one year**
- 4., Senior Instructor (Class B)—Finished Instructor course and practicing for**
- 5., Qualified Instructor (Class C)—Finished Instructor course Yon-Dan one year**
- 6., official Instructor (Class A)—Finished Instructor course and Go-Dan**

#### **POSITION: Unclassified Trainee**

**An Unclassified Trainee is defined as an individual who does not meet one or more of the basic: Requirements for regularly licensed instructors but who a) is assisting with instruction on a regular basis or b) has been identified as having the potential to become a licensed instructor. Minimum ranking required is AJKA-I third kyu.**

#### **POSITION: Instructor Trainee (Class E Instructor)**

##### **Specific Requirements:**

- 1., A.J.K.A-I shodan rank or higher.**
- 2., Regularly assisting a Club Director for a minimum of 6 month's.**

**Description: The Instructor Trainee performs those functions assigned by the Club director with periodic**

**Review and formal critique by a Qualified Instructor. The duties assigned will be designed specifically for the individual s development as an instructor.**

**Other: The instructor Trainee is recommended by the club director and approved by Supervising instructor.**