

## **Green Dojo Certification Criteria**

## Level 1: Green Dojo Kiai

Basic Commitment to Sustainability

KIAI - represents energy and focus, akin to the beginning of the journey where one's awareness of sustainability is awakened.

- Energy Efficiency:
  - o Install energy-efficient lighting (LEDs) in the dojo.
  - Implement a policy to turn off lights and equipment when not in use.
- Waste Reduction:
  - o Introduce recycling bins in the dojo and promote recycling among members.
  - Reduce single-use plastics by encouraging the use of reusable water bottles.
- Water Conservation:
  - Install water-saving fixtures in restrooms and showers.
  - Encourage members to use water responsibly.

## Level 2: Green Dojo Zanshin

#### **Enhanced Environmental Practices**

ZANSHIN - in judo, this is a state of heightened awareness - perfect for the stage where learners become more attuned to sustainability.

- Sustainable Operations:
  - Offer incentives for accessing the dojo via sustainable transport options (car share, public transport, bike).
  - Implement digital record-keeping to reduce paper usage.
- Eco-Friendly Products:
  - Use eco-friendly cleaning products within the dojo.
  - Source uniforms and equipment from suppliers committed to sustainability.
- Renewable Energy:
  - Install renewable energy sources (e.g. solar panels) to power the dojo.

## Level 3: Green Dojo Seiza

#### Exemplary Leadership in Sustainability

SEIZA - a seated, respectful posture in judo - symbolizing mastery and deep respect for the environment, signaling full commitment.

- Comprehensive Waste Management:
  - Achieve zero-waste operations through advanced recycling, composting, and waste reduction strategies.



#### Community Engagement:

- Organize at least one environmental awareness event or activity for members each year.
- Partner with local environmental organizations to support community sustainability projects.

### **Certification Process:**

- **Step 1:** Review the criteria and assess your dojo's current practices.
- **Step 2:** Implement the necessary changes to meet the Kiai, Zanshin or Seiza criteria.
- **Step 3:** Document your efforts with photos, reports, and any other relevant evidence.
- Step 4: Submit your application to IJF for review at <a href="mailto:submit.go">submit.go</a> if .org
- **Step 5:** Receive your official Green Dojo certification and celebrate your achievement!

## Final Note:

The IJF is here to support you every step of the way. Please find Annex 1 with a list of resources for learning and getting inspired for your sustainability journey. Together, we can make judo a leading sport in the effort for a sustainable future.

# Join the Green Dojo Initiative today and let's make a difference - one dojo at a time!