

**Written Examination Questions for Local Shinsa of
Chiba Prefecture Kyudo Federation in Reiwa 7 (2025)**

Examination Dept.

First half

**From the 1st Shinsa for General Members on Apr 6th (Mushitei, Sho-dan and San-dan)
to the 7th Shinsa for High School Students on Jun 1st (B group, Mushitei to San-dan)**

Examination Questions for Local Shinsa	Mushitei	A	List the Shahō-Hassetsu in the correct order and explain [Ashibumi]
		B	What was your motivation (reason) for starting Kyudo?
	Sho-dan	A	List the forms of basic posture and movement (4 basic postures and 8 basic movements) and explain [the "standing" posture].
		B	What would you like to learn through Kyudo?
	Ni-dan	A	Explain the underlying principles which support all movements. (Kyudo Manual Vol. 1, p. 30-31)
		B	What do you think of Kyudo practice?
	San-dan	A	List the "fundamentals of shooting principle and shooting skill" and explain Mezukai.
		B	What do you pay attention to in your daily practice?
	Yon-dan	A	Explain Goju-Jumonji.
		B	Explain the importance of Kihontai (the fundamental form).

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Summer period

**8th Shinsa for High School Students on Jul 27th (For All groups, Mushitei to San-dan) and
9th Shinsa for General Members on Aug 31st (From Mushitei to Yon-dan)**

Examination Questions for Local Shinsa	Mushitei	A	List the Shahō-Hassetsu in the correct order and explain [Dozukuri].
		B	What would you like to learn through Kyudo?
	Sho-dan	A	List the forms of basic posture and movement (4 basic postures and 8 basic movements) and explain [walking].
		B	What are you glad to have learnt through Kyudo?
	Ni-dan	A	Explain Yatsugae-Dōsa (the nocking of the arrows) for Zasha .
		B	Explain your goals in Kyudo training.
	San-dan	A	List the "fundamentals of shooting principle and shooting skill" and explain the "basic body form (Tateyoko-Jūmonji and Gojū-Jūmonji)".
		B	Explain the mental preparedness for taking Shinsa.
	Yon-dan	A	List the "fundamentals of shooting principle and shooting skill" and explain the "working of spirit (Kokoro) and spiritual energy (Ki)".
		B	Explain the teachings of the Raiki-Shagi and Shahō-Kun.

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Second half

**From the 10th Shinsa for General Members on Sep 21st (Ni-dan and Yon-dan)
to the 16th Shinsa for High School Students on Nov 29th (C group, Mushitei to San-dan)
and the 17th Shinsa for Kanto Regional Joint Shinsa on Nov 30th (Go-dan)**

Examination Questions for Local and Kanto Regional Joint Shinsa	Mushitei	A	List the Shahō-Hassetsu in the correct order and explain [Yugamae]
		B	What do you pay attention to in order to prevent accidents?
	Sho-dan	A	List the forms of basic posture and movement (4 basic postures and 8 basic movements) and explain [turning in the kneeling position (Hirakiashi)]
		B	What are you glad to have learnt through Kyudo?
	Ni-dan	A	Explain Sanju-Jumonji.
		B	What do you pay attention to in order to prevent accidents?
	San-dan	A	List the "fundamentals of shooting principle and shooting skill" and explain the " breathing (Ikiai)".
		B	What do you pay attention to in order to ensure the safety of your peers during your daily practice?
	Yon-dan	A	Explain Zanshin (the remaining spirit and form).
		B	Explain the correct attitude in the performance of shooting.
	Go-dan	A	Explain Hiku-Yazuka Hikanu-Yazuka ni Tada-Yazuka.
		B	Explain the main objectives of Kyudo training.