



BJC NTC Technical Notice: Robin Otani – President

Protocol for Markings on Judo Belts

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In general minimal marking on belts is preferred and recommended.

All belts - The belt maker's label is acceptable, on end/s of belt but should be reasonably small and discrete.

Primary and Junior belts - The signing and marking of belts by the President, senior officials and Guest coaches is now an established acceptability, however if used in official circumstance for competitions or grading etc., belts may need to be replaced if they are considered excessively marked by the organisers.

Adult belts – the following are approved:

1. Embroidery or marking in one of the colours; Red, Gold, Silver, White or Black.
2. Embroidery or marking of one's own name either in Japanese or English on the end of the belt.
3. Although considered unnecessary;
Displaying bars on a black belt 1st to 5th dan, at; 8mm wide and 8mm apart, at one end of the belt, at right angles to the belt length.
One bar per dan status.
4. No bars are to be used for 6th dan and above.
5. No use of nicknames, frivolity, sponsors or advertising.
6. No other markings are permitted.

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