## Aikido Daiwa Student Membership Guidelines

- 1. Dues are due and payable at the office the first of every month.
- 2. Be sure to check the sign-in sheet when you arrive for class. It is located on the table between the dressing rooms. This is our way of keeping track of your attendance. One of the requisites for your eligibility for promotion is based on the number of classes attended.
- 3. Please check the class schedule for classes available to you. At Daiwa you may attend as many available classes as you wish.
- 4. Weapons training is a very important part of your training at Aikido Daiwa. Beginning weapons classes are offered Saturday mornings. Advanced weapons are taught Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Upon completion of the Saturday beginning weapons class you are eligible to take the advanced weapons class. Each student should own their own weapons, which include a Bokken, (wooden replica of a sword) Jyo, (wooden staff approximately 52 inches long) and a wooden knife known as a Tanto. Proper weapons are made from Japanese white oak and may be purchased from the dojo office.
- 5. After the last class of the day the dojo is cleaned and the mat and carpet vacuumed. This cleaning includes the office and the dressing rooms as well as the main dojo. Your participation in this experience is expected. Also, a more thorough cleaning is done once a month. Again, your presence in expected.
- 6. If you must leave the mat for any reason during class it is mandatory that you announce your intention to the class instructor.
- 7. If it becomes necessary to address your instructor during class you will refer to that person as Sensei. Sensei means teacher in Japanese and is a sign of respect. Whenever personal instruction is given it is common courtesy to say, "Thank you, Sensei."
- 8. Upon entering or leaving the mat is customary to bow to the Kamiza, located at the north end of the mat. When entering or leaving the dojo the same is expected. Please understand that the bow signifies nothing more than a show of respect and carries no religious connotation whatsoever. At the beginning as well as at the closing of each class a more formal bow is required, that is, one in which you are seated in seiza position, knees folded under. Most other times a simple nod and lowering of the eyes should be sufficient. Observe the more advanced students for guidelines on this subject.
- 9. If it becomes necessary for you to be away from the dojo for any length of time please make your intentions known to the office. Leaves of absence are granted only on advance notification. As a member of Aikido Daiwa your monthly dues are expected promptly as the expense of operating a large dojo is substantial. Our bills are due the first of every month, and as monthly dues are the dojo's primary source of income, it is imperative that dues are paid promptly. Your monthly dues represent membership in Aikido Daiwa, and are not prorated or determined by the number of classes you take, consequently no refunds or discounts for missed classes should be expected.
- 10. From time to time seminars are held, both at Aikido Daiwa and at various dojos within the organization. Your presence at these seminars is expected as well as beneficial, as an educational experience, an opportunity to meet students from other dojos, and to show your support of the

organization.

- 11. It should not be necessary to remind you that no one enjoys training with someone wearing a dirty or smelly uniform. Please keep yourself and your training uniform clean at all times. Fingernails and toenails should be kept trimmed. Place your shoes on the racks by the entrances, and don't leave your dogi (uniform) in the dojo.
- 12. When you join the dojo three things are expected of you. Pay dues, clean the dojo and train. If, at any point you can't do one of those, you do more of the other two. Financial hardship should not be a barrier to participation.
- 11. These guidelines are simple enough and when we all observe them the dojo runs smoothly. We appreciate your being here and look forward to many pleasant hours on the mat in pursuit of the elusive perfection that is the art of Aikido.

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Daiwa is associated with Hombu Dojo, Shinjuku, Japan - Doshu Ueshiba Moriteru

## AIKIDO DAIWA GLOSSARY

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PEOPLE:		MISCELLANEOUS:	
KohaiJunior student		AtemiStriking/Feint	
NagePerson who defends O'SenseiGreat teacher i.e. Morihei Ueshiba		Bokken Wooden training sword	
		Daiwa Great harmony Dan Black belt rank	
SempaiSenior student SenseiTeacher		Domo-arigato-gozamashita	"Thank you very
much"	iei	Domo-arigato-gozamasinta	Thank you very
UkePerso	n who attacks	DojoSchool/training ha	11
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<b>POSITIONS:</b>		Irimi	Entering
movement		11 11111	Entering
Chudan	Middle position	Jo (Jyo)	Wooden staff
(Spear)	minimin Miladio position		William IV Goddii Swiii
		Keiko-gi	Practice uniform
Gedan		Kyu	
Jodan		Omote	
Soto		Rei	
	Proper kneeling position	Sansho	Three victories
	Techinques done kneeling	Shidoin	Teacher
	Techniques done standing	Shihan	Master teacher
Uchi	To the inside	Tenkan	Turning
movement			
		Ukemi	Protective falling
<b>STANCES:</b>		Ura	Toward the rear
Aihanmi	Opposite side (criss-cross)	Shikko	Knee Walking
	(Right to right or left to left)	Sume-Otoshi	Corner Drop
Gyakuhanmi	Same side (toe to toe)	Tai-No-Henko	Turning Tenkan
Practice			
	(Left to right or right to left)	Harai	Back Turning
Step			
Hanmi	Triangular forward stance	Randori	Multiple Person
Attacks			
ATTACKS:			
Katate-dori	Wrist Grah		
	Shoulder area Grab		
	Grab one arm with 2 hands		
	Grab both arms with 2 hands		
	Strike to center of forehead		
Tsuki			
	Attack from behind		
Yokomen	Strike to side of the head		
<b>TECHNIQUES:</b>			
Kaiten-nage			
	Sitting breath throw		
	Breath turning movement		
Kokyu-nage			
Kote-gaseshi			
	Arm Pin, 1 <sup>st</sup> principle		
Irimi-nage			
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