## 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Requirements

# Minimum of 2 Years Active Training Plus a Minimum of 5 Chevrons

- Competent Knowledge of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Curriculum
- Basic Trapping Range Skills:
   Pak Sao Combo, Lop Sao Combo, Jao Sao Combo, Jut Sao Combo
- Grappling Set
- Largo Mano/Serrada (testing standard will be with a padded weapon versus a rattan Arnis stick)
- Kenpo 6 (Videos on the MA School Portal are in sections of Part 1 & Part 2)
- Progressive Self Defense Sequence
- Precision Kicking
- 1 Weapons Kata\* (Must be learned prior to Black Belt Prep Classes)
- 8 two-minute rounds on miscellaneous bags
- Paper on Martial Arts History of your choosing which could include the styles that make up the Kovar's Blend (see bottom of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Curriculum Sheet) Must be minimum of 2 pages long single space.

### Plus Any 1 of the Following:

- An Additional Advanced Kata\* (Must be learned prior to Black Belt Prep Classes)
- An Additional Advanced Weapons Kata\* (Must be learned prior to BBP Classes)
- 10 Optional Self-Defense Techniques (Must be learned prior to BBP Classes)

\*Both Advanced Katas and Weapons Katas are to be learned prior to Black Belt Prep Classes. Katas will not be taught during Black Belt Prep.

## **Current 1st Degree Curriculum**

#### **SELF DEFENSE**

#### **Beginner Series**

Circling Arms A & B
Collapsing Limbs A & B
Sweeping Arm Hook
Striking Talon A & B
Head Lock A & B (both sides)

#### **Punch Defense Series**

Four Swords (both sides - hook punch)

#### **Push/Pull Series**

Circling Serpent (both sides-1 hand push) Grasping Tiger (both sides -1 hand pull) Terminator (2 hand push)

#### **Bear Hug Series**

Smothering Bear A, B, C, D

#### **Take Down Defense Series**

Stopping the Bull A, B, C

#### **Ground Defense Series**

Springing Scorpion A & B

#### **Grappling Series**

Moving the Mountain A & B (escape mount) Winding Pass (escape back) Tumbling Rock (headlock) Pushing the River (escape guard)

Rear Bear Hug Clinch Set

#### **ARNIS**

Single Stick Skills

- a. Largo Mano (Evade, Meet Counters)
- b. Serrada Counters (X-Marks the Spot)

#### **FORMS**

Targeting Set # 1
Striking Set
Iron Horse
Doce Pares Form #1
4 Basic Positions

#### **KICK- BOXING/MUAY THAI SKILLS**

3-Count 12-Count

Elements of Boxing Set:

Defense: Pick, Pick, Double Shield, Double Shield, Shield, Shield, Crunch, Crunch, Block the Uppercut, Block the Uppercut Offense: Jab, Cross, Jab, Cross, Left Hook High, Right Hook High, Left Hook to the Body, Right Hook to the Body, Left Uppercut to the chin, Right Uppercut to the Chin

#### SPARRING STANDARDS

Padded Weapons Sparring
Boxing Sparring
Kickboxing Sparring
Bad Position Training:
Escape Mount, Side Control, Kesa Gatame
(Like Tumbling Rock), Back Mount, Pass the
Closed Guard

#### **FALLING SKILLS**

Front Fall, Back Fall, Side Fall

#### FITNESS STANDARDS

20 CORRECT PUSHUPS OR MORE IN 1 MINUTE 40 CORRECT SQUATS OR MORE IN 2 MINUTES

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Demonstrate How to Tie Your Belt

#### **5 AREAS OF TESTING**

Health and Fitness
Knowledge of Curriculum
Attendance, Attitude and Protocol
Spirit and Energy
Basics and Application

#### Notes:

- When eligible for 1st degree, Black Belt Prep classes will be held at your academy except for three (3) classes, Red Tip & Black Belt testing, which will be at the Carmichael Academy.
- Gear Requirements: Caged Headgear, Shin Pads, Boxing Gloves, Combat Sword,

Curriculum Developed from the following styles of Martial Arts: Kenpo Karate, Arnis, Serrada-Escrima, Brazillian Jiu Jitsu, Chin Na, Doce Pares, Jeet Kun Do, Kosho Ryu, Mixed Martial Arts, Muay Thai, Tae Kwon Do, Western Boxing.