



Taekwondo **Kumsul** Grading Rules

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1. Purpose of Grading.

- A. Kumsul practitioners can be certified at their Kumsul rank so as to encourage them to train hard and progress to the next Kum level.
- B. Judgement is for accuracy of techniques, safe training method, purpose of Kumsul training, etiquette and manner.
- C. Taekwondo Kumsul is ranked from 1st Kum – 9th Kum.
- D. Practitioners who pass their grading who will be issued a certificate.
- E. The practitioner who grades must pay the required grading fee, with the lodgement of grading application form.

2. Obligatory Training Period for Grading.

The minimum training periods to qualify for grading is listed below.

	1 st Kum	2 nd Kum	3 rd Kum	4 th Kum	5 th Kum	6 th Kum	7 th Kum	8 th Kum	9 th Kum
Training period	-	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months

3. Kumsul rank

From 1st Kum to 9th Kum, stripes (PVC tape) must be placed at both ends of the Kum to indicate current rank. Width of tape is 18mm and the gap between stripes is 18mm. 1st stripe is placed with a 36mm gap from each end.

	1 st Kum	2 nd Kum	3 rd Kum	4 th Kum	5 th Kum	6 th Kum	7 th Kum	8 th Kum	9 th Kum
Blue stripes	1 Stripe	2 Stripes	3 stripes						
Red stripes				1 stripe	2 stripes	3 stripes			
Black stripes							1 stripe	2 stripes	3 stripes

CHO'S TAEKWONDO **KUMSUL** GRADING SYLLABUS

RANKIN G OF KUMSUL	KUMSUL HYUNG	KUMSUL DAETA HYUNG	KUMSUL DAETA JYON	GYOKPA (Breaking)	KUMSUL TERMINOLOGY
1 st Kum	Cho's Kumsul 1 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 1 Hyungs	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 1 Jyon	-	* Junbi Kum (Ready sword)
2 nd Kum	Cho's Kumsul 2 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 2 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 2 Jyon	* Downward strike	* Naeryochigi (Downward strike)
3 rd Kum	Cho's Kumsul 3 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 3 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 3 Jyon	* Face side strikes	* Junbi chigi (Ready strike) * Oren Olgul makgi (Right face block) * Oren Arae makgi (Right low block)
4 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 4 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 4 Hyungs	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 4 Jyon	* Downward strike * Body side strike	* Olgul yopchigi (Face side striking) * Momtong yopchigi (Body side strike) * Apuro dolgi (Forward turn) * Apuro bandae dolgi (Reverse forward turn)
5 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 5 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 5 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 5 Jyon	* Forward thrusts * Face side strike	* Dali yopchigi (Leg side strike) * Oren momtong makgi (Right body block) * Wen momtong makgi (Left body block) * Dwero dolgi (Backward turn)
6 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 6 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 6 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 6 Jyon	* Body side strike * Face spinning strike	* Wen Olgoul makgi (Left face block) * Wen Arae makgi (Left low block) * Dolyo chigi (Spinning strike) * Dwero bandae dolgi (Reverse backwards turn)
7 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 7 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 7 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 7 Jyon	* Face spinning strike * Face side strike	* Olgool milochigi (Face pushing strike) * Wen jokeuro dolgi (Left turn) * Ap cjiroogi (Forward thrust) * Apuro mom doligi (Forward face turn)
8 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 8 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 8 Hyungs	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 8 Jyon	* Body side strike * Face spinning strike.	* Olgool milochigi (Face pushing strike) * Ap saewo makgi (Front vertical block) * Apuro bandae mom doligi (Reverse forward facing turn) * Dwero mom doligi (Backward facing turn)
9 th Kum	Cho's Kumsul 9 Hyung	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 9 Hyungs	Cho's Kumsul Daeta 9 Jyon	* Forward thrust. * Face spinning strike.	* Yop cjiroogi (Side thrust) * Dwero bandae mom doligi (Revere backward facing turn) * Oren jokeuro dolgi (Right turn) * Wen jokeuro dolgi (Left turn) * Essay (10 pages)

Kumsul level certificate awarding by Grand Master Yong Dai Cho