New Zealand Ju-Jitsu Federation (NZJJF)

Outstanding Service Award Policy

BACKGROUND

Ju-Jitsu by definition means any historical or modern Japanese-derived martial art consisting of weapons use, strikes, throws and takedowns, strangles and chokes, locking techniques and ground-fighting, or parts thereof, also known as jiu jitsu, ju jutsu, yawara, tai jitsu, torite, aiki jitsu, goshin jitsu, and can also include other modern related derivative styles such as, but not limited to, judo, sambo, aikido, krav maga, pankration, mixed martial arts, shooto, Brazilian jiu jitsu and hapkido.

The New Zealand Ju-Jitsu Federation (NZJJF) Outstanding Service Award (OSA) is made on behalf of the New Zealand ju-jitsu community to a ju-jitsu practitioner who has had an enduring influence on, or significant impact on, ju-jitsu in Aotearoa New Zealand. Since the awards inception in 2003, the OSA acknowledges one or both of the following;

- Long-time involvement.
- Outstanding service.

PURPOSE

The NZJJF seeks to provide clarity and consistent practice and standards are maintained with regards to the awarding of our Outstanding Service Award (OSA).

OVERVIEW

The Outstanding Service Award (OSA) is an award that signifies recognition by the New Zealand Ju-Jitsu Federation and the ju-jitsu community for an individual who has had significant and enduring influence and impact on New Zealand ju-jitsu and its practice, and the outcomes associated with that influence.

A public record is kept on the NZJJF website for the purpose of preservation of, and public access to, the historical records of our award which are of long-term value, and as examples of the application and interpretation of the nomination criteria.

CRITERIA

The criteria for nomination are;

- A pioneer of a specific Ju-Jitsu style or organisation in New Zealand.
- A practitioner who has actively promoted and developed Ju-Jitsu in New Zealand over a substantial period, over several clubs or significant number of students, and black belts.
- A practitioner or administrator who has made a considerable and beneficial contribution to the New Zealand ju-jitsu community over a substantial period, via an organization, or significant number of clubs/students, or area in New Zealand.

NOMINATION

Nominations for a candidate may be submitted at any time to the NZJJF committee along with comprehensive details of the nominee's record of service and achievements as a curriculum vitae, or by using the OSA nomination form, via the NZJJF Secretary.

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AUTHORISATION	The authority for recognition with our Outstanding Service Award to the established criteria, rests solely with the NZJJF committee. Decisions on OSA at the meetings of the committee are minuted.
SELECTION	The NZJJF committee selects the most suitable candidate from those nominated according to the OSA criteria. Where no nominations are received the NZJJF may select a suitable candidate from the Ju-Jitsu community. Normally, only one award is made each year. An award need not be made every year.
NOTIFICATION	The nominator is notified by the NZJF Secretary whether their nomination for their candidate has been accepted.
CITATION	The NZJJF Registrar will complete the writing of the citation which details the recipient's history of long-time involvement or outstanding service from the comprehensive record of service and achievements submitted on nomination.
PRESENTATION	For the succesful nominee arrangements are made to present the OSA at an event suitable to the recipient and where the presentation will be witnessed. First, the citation is read out. Secondly, a framed certificate is presented, this records the recipient's name and date of presentation, lays out the reasons for the recipient receiving the award, and is signed by the chairman and the secretary or other committee member. Thirdly, a photograph is taken of the recipient with their certificate. The costs of citation, certificate and photography are borne by the NZJJF.
ARCHIVING	A copy of the certificate, citation and photograph are archived by the NZJJF Registrar on the NZJJF Cloud repository and published on the NZJJF website.
HONOUR	In matters relating to martial arts the Outstanding Service Award recipients are entitled to the post nominals OSA (e.g. Shihan Hans Van Ess, OSA, 7th Dan).

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Appendices

The following resources provide useful further information regarding nomination of candidates for the NZJJF Outstanding Service Award.

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Appendix One

NZJJF Outstanding Service Award Nomination form

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Name	.....
OSA Authorised	..... / ..... / 20.....
Signed	.....

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OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

1. Nominee's Details

Name ..... DOB ..... / ..... / .....

Address .....

Phone ..... Mobile ..... email .....

Organisation ..... Club .....

Current Ju-Jitsu grade held ..... NZJJF validated: YES/NO Year started ju-jitsu: .....

Grade History	Date
BJJ BB	
1st Dan	
2nd Dan	
3rd Dan	
4th Dan	
5th Dan	
6th Dan	
7th Dan	
8th Dan	
9th Dan	

Coaching Qualifications Held	Date
C1 'Assistant Instructor'	
C2 'Club Instructor'	
C3 'Advanced Instructor'	
C4 'Expert Instructor'	

Coaching Impact	Number
Black Belts Produced	
Highest Yudansha Grade	
Number NZJJF Coach Qualified	
Clubs in organisation	

Coaching History and Achievements *(including NZJJF Seminars taught at etc.)*
Please continue on subsequent pages including any achievements of students

2. Nomination

I wish to nominate the candidate for the NZJJF Outstanding Service Award.

Please supply:
- *Copy of certification if not validated by NZJJF* ☐

Certification ☐

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Name ..... Mobile ..... email .....

Committee Comments:

Accept ☐

Reject ☐