

Marianne Armstrong, 5th Dan (USTF 5-319)

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I. Rank & Certifications

I Dan Black Belt, January 17, 2003, Grand Rapids, MI
II Dan Black Belt, November 20, 2004, Grand Rapids, MI
III Dan Black Belt, May 19, 2007, Grand Rapids, MI
IV Dan Black Belt, September 11, 2010, Crystal Lake, IL
V Dan Black Belt, September 12, 2015, Broomfield, CO

Level 1 Ho Sin Sul Certification, November 4, 2006, Cadillac, MI
Level 2 Ho Sin Sul Certification, November, 2010, Cadillac, MI

Class "C" Referee Certification, September 11, 2004, Cadillac, MI
Class "B" Referee Certification, September 30, 2007, Grand Rapids, MI
Class "A" Referee Certification, November 7, 2009, Grand Rapids, MI

Class "C" Instructor Certification, May 3 & 4, 2008, Cadillac, MI
Class "B" Instructor Certification, April 16-18, 2010 Denver CO (refreshed
November, 2014)

II. Summary

Mrs. Armstrong has been the Head Instructor at Big Dog Taekwon-Do since 2007 after beginning her martial arts career in 1998. In this time, she has served as Chief Referee and Tournament Director for the Michigan State Tournaments, in addition to judging black belt and color belt patterns, ho sin sul, step sparring, and fundamental techniques. Additionally, she has attended and participated in Internationals, most recently in 2015 as a judge for black belt and color belt patterns and sparring.

Mrs. Armstrong has additionally demonstrated her commitment to the USTF by attending World Camp in 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014 and promoting attendance by the school. In 2016, she is planning to attend again and is bringing a significant number of other Big Dog students as well. Mrs. Armstrong also played a lead role in a highly successful Big Dog fundraiser, raising over \$10,000.00 for the Van Andel Research Institute in a single night.

Mrs. Armstrong was honored to be the first recipient of the Dr. Audrey Farley Perseverance Award at the Sereff Taekwon-Do Fall Championship of 2013.

Mrs. Armstrong has recently been named to the role as State Director for the Lower Peninsula of Michigan and is honored to be helping lead the direction of the activity of the USTF here in our state.