# Ryusui-Ryu Martial Art Schools

### **Stances**

# Juu Go Dachi Junjo - The 15 stance sequence

Heisoku Dachi Normal or Closed Foot Stance(Feet together). Used in Standing

Rei

Musubi Dachi Open Toes Stance or Formal Stance.

Musubi Dachi Heiko Open Toes Parallel Stance. aka Heiko Dachi

Shizen Dachi Natural Stance. aka Soto Hachi Ji Dachi

Shizen Dachi Heiko Used in Yoi Position

Uchi Hachi Ji Dachi Pigeon Toed Stance (Heels out); aka Naifanchin/Nai Hanchi Dachi

& Uchiwani Dachi

Kiba Dachi Horse Riding or Straddle Stance (Feet Parallel)

Shiko Dachi Sumo Stance

Zenkutsu Dachi Forward Stance

Naname Dachi Diagonal or Oblique Stance. As Zenkutsu Dachi but shorter; aka

short stance.

Kokutsu Dachi Back Stance

Nekoashi Dachi Cat Foot Stance

Sagiashi Dachi Heron Foot Stance; aka Crane Foot Stance (Tsuru Ashi Dachi)

Sanchin Dachi Three Battles: see Sanchin Kata

Juu Ji Dachi Crossed leg Stance; aka Bensoku Dachi and Kagi Dachi

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### Sequence:

Heisoku Dachi Feet together; arms by your side

Musubi Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Musubi Dachi Heiko Both feet move together; Heels out

Shizen Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Shizen Dachi Heiko Both feet move together; Heels out

Uchi Hachi Ji Dachi Both feet move together; Heels out

Sanchin Dachi Right foot forward

Juu Ji Dachi Left foot forward & across in front of right Leg

Sanchin Dachi Left foot backwards

Juu Ji Dachi Right foot backwards & across behind left leg

Uchi Hachi Ji Dachi Right foot forward & in line with the left

Kiba Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Shiko Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

#### **Turn to right:**

Zenkutsu Dachi Right foot to side; use hips to pivot & rear & front foot

Naname Dachi Right foot back

Kokutsu Dachi Draw front foot back with toes pointing forward. Front leg straight

Nekoashi Dachi Draw back

Sagiashi Dachi Step forward with back leg; Left leg raised toes pointing down

Heisoku Dachi Face front; Feet together

# Repeat first sequence:

Heisoku Dachi Feet together; arms by your side

Musubi Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Musubi Dachi Heiko Both feet move together; Heels out

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Shizen Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Shizen Dachi Heiko Both feet move together; Heels out

Uchi Hachi Ji Dachi Both feet move together; Heels out

Sanchin Dachi Left foot forward

Juu Ji Dachi Right foot forward & across in front of left Leg

Sanchin Dachi Right foot backwards

Juu Ji Dachi Left foot backwards & across behind right leg

Uchi Hachi Ji Dachi Left foot forward & in line with the right

Kiba Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

Shiko Dachi Both feet move together; Toes out

#### **Turn to left:**

Zenkutsu Dachi Left foot to side; use hips to pivot rear & front foot

Naname Dachi Left foot back

Kokutsu Dachi Draw front foot back with toes pointing forward. Front leg straight

Nekoashi Dachi Draw back

Sagiashi Dachi Step forward with back leg; right leg raised toes pointing down

Heisoku Dachi Face front; Feet together