

# Eligibility

1. Proof of current ATJA, USJF, USJA or USA Judo membership cards must be presented day-of tournament.
  - a. Any contestant unable to present a current and valid registration card will be required to purchase or renew membership prior to acceptance of the entry form for this tournament.
  - b. USA Judo registration will be available on-site.
2. Minimum age of five (5) years old on the day of the competition.
3. Signed certificate regarding non-black belt contestants (*Attached*).
4. Signed consent for weight change (*Attached*).
5. Signed SafeSport Policy/Waiver & release of liability & agreement to participate (*Attached*).

# Rules

**WHITE JUDO GI IS MANDATORY, NO JU-JITSU GIS ALLOWED BRING YOUR OWN BLUE AND WHITE BELTS.**

All matches will be conducted using the current International Judo Federation Contest Rules with the following modifications:

1. Pre-2003 medical rules will be applied to all age groups under 16 and seniors (17+) not brown belt or above
2. Modified Double Elimination Bracket format for groups 5 or more
3. Round Robin for groups for groups 4 or less
4. Contest area shall be 7x7 meters with required minimum 3 meter safety area.
5. Double knee drop seio-nage **WILL BE allowed** for all divisions.
6. Any competitor who suffers a concussion (as determined by the medical staff) and/or who loses consciousness from head impact will not be allowed to continue competing in the tournament that day in any division. If a competitor suffers such an injury, they are strongly advised to obtain a medical release from their personal physician before returning to train and compete in judo.
7. Players who are choked out are NOT allowed to continue to compete in the tournament.
8. Golden Score (In case of no score in original match)
  - a. 1 min for < 10yr old
  - b. 2 min for 11-16 yr old
  - c. Unlimited for senior & master divisions
9. Match Times:
  - a. 5-6 yr old = 2 mins
  - b. 7-16 yr old & Masters (30+ yr old) = 3 mins
  - c. All other ages = 4 mins
10. Choking Techniques (Shime-waza)
  - a. 13 yr old and up
11. Arm Lock Techniques (Kansetsu-waza)
  - a. Senior Advance (Brown Belt +) and above ranks

**Women:** (all ranks): 17+ years old. (Weight divisions to be determined by registration). (Note: Modifications to standard weight divisions may be made to insure competition.)

**Advance:** (Brown & Black Belt) Men: 17+ years old (Weight divisions to be determined by registration). National Weight Divisions will be used if there is sufficient registrations.

**Novice:** (White-Green Belt) Men: 17+ years old (Weight divisions to be determined by registration).

**Masters:** 30+ years old. Age & weight divisions to be determined by registration.

**Junior Girl's and Boy's Division:** Divided by weights to be determined by registration [2 year divisions (i.e., 5-6, 7-8, etc.) are normally used, dependent upon registration.] **Minimum age: 5 years old.** (Note: Juniors who are at least **15 years old** may also compete in the Senior Division for the additional fee & will compete under Senior Rules; Masters may also compete in the Senior Divisions for the additional fee. (Blue & Purple Belt Juniors will compete in the Advanced Senior Division. No junior will compete against anyone more than 15% heavier, unless requesting to be moved up from an uncontested division by the coach or parent).