

INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION



EVENT OUTLINES FOR
INTERNATIONAL MEDIA
JUDO

Tbilisi Grand Slam, Georgia

03 - 05 June 2022

#JudoTbilisi

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Tbilisi Grand Slam, Georgia



@MariusVizer

Welcome to Georgia!

Tbilisi is preparing to host their second grand slam after many years organising the highly regarded Tbilisi Grand Prix.

This World Judo Tour event will always be a highlight on the calendar, with the energy of the Georgian team leading the enjoyment and engagement for athletes and coaches arriving in Georgia and also for the many spectators around the world tuning in online. Passion, hospitality and excitement are always at the forefront here!

The 2022 edition will have big points on offer and undoubtedly the world's best judoka will travel for the opportunity to jostle for position in the world rankings, as we step closer to the Olympic qualification period for Paris 2024.

I wish all participants, organisers, volunteers and spectators the energising judo experience they expect. Tbilisi is ready, open and eager to welcome you.

Yours in judo.

Marius L. VIZER
President
International Judo Federation

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I would like to welcome all participants and guests to Tbilisi Grand Slam 2022. We are very happy and proud to host this event for the second time.

Georgian judo achieved records and very impressive results in 2021, especially the Olympic Games are worth mentioning. Judo is the number one sport in Georgia and the number of athletes is growing day by day. Our fans are looking forward to the Grand Slam tournament.

This is a great honor for us and I would like to thank again the President of IJF, Mr Marius Vizer for the trust and this great opportunity. I do hope, despite of prolonging World Pandemic, all judoka, guests and team officials will have a great event.

We are looking forward to welcome you in Tbilisi.

Giorgi ATABEGASHVILI
President
Georgian Judo Federation



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

ANYONE NOT FOLLOWING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND IJF COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE EVENT AND SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION!

The fundamental principle throughout all IJF events during the COVID-19 era is to Protect and Be Protected by wearing a mask, sanitising, distancing and respecting the recommendations of "the Protocol for resuming IJF events during the COVID-19 pandemic" hereafter referred to as the IJF COVID-19 Protocol. All participants have the mutual responsibility to protect each other.

Each international media participant must have read and understood the latest version of the IJF COVID-19 Protocol which can be found here: [covid.ijf.org](https://www.covid.ijf.org)

The COVID-19 vaccines provide protection to the vaccinated only against seriously falling ill, but not against getting infected or transmitting the virus to somebody else, even if the chances of the latter is very low. Therefore, until vaccination reaches a high level among the judo family and there are other effective preventive methods available, or until it is globally accepted to conduct activities without safety measures, all the participants of any IJF event must follow the same protocol (being PCR tested before the event, upon arrival, during the event, wear a mask, wash hands, follow the bubble system, etc.) to protect and be protected, in the spirit of unity and solidarity which is in our community's moral code.

COVID-19 DOCUMENTS

All pre-event COVID-19 documents must be sent to covid@ijf.org before travelling. Fourteen (14) days after the event, all data will be deleted.

EVENT PARTICIPATION

To participate in an IJF World Judo Tour (WJT) event each participant is responsible to follow:

- The rules to enter the host country
- The Local Organising Committee's (LOC) Government COVID-19 measures
- The IJF COVID-19 Protocol rules

The LOC Government measures may be stricter than those detailed in the IJF COVID-19 protocol or vice versa, the stricter rules MUST be followed.

INSURANCE

It is the responsibility of the media participant to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any COVID-19-related costs, including repatriation. The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims relating to cancellation of the event due to COVID-19 or medical costs for any COVID-19 related illness that may affect a media participant during the event.

BEFORE TRAVELLING

Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival.

- Check if you need a visa, and if yes, request it from the LOC according to the details in the visa section.
- Check host country entry requirements.
- Send travel information (arrival and departures) to the covid@ijf.org.
- Book accommodation with the LOC.
- Check host country entry requirements and airline requirements (if applicable).
- Send in advance to covid@ijf.org two (2) negative individual medical PCR COVID-19 test certificates in English or local language (PCR-1 and PCR-2).
- Send just before arrival to covid@ijf.org an individual Liability Release Waiver (LRW). The form can be found in the documents section: www.ijf.org/competition/2288

ENTERING THE HOST COUNTRY

Each individual is responsible to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter, COVID-19 etc.) for the host country. Entry rules may be subject to change, the current information can be found here: <https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/HtmlPage/Html/View?id=956&lang=Eng>

Timeline	Action Everyone
Arrival to country	As per the country rules. If you intend to use the same PCR test to enter the country and to enter the bubble, please, make sure that you meet both the airline/ country and IJF PCR requirements.
ALL PRE-EVENT COVID-19 DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED TO MY.IJF.ORG BEFORE TRAVELLING	

ENTERING THE EVENT BUBBLE WHICH IS OPEN FROM: 31 May 2022

The event venues (hotels, sport hall, training hall etc.) will be classified as bubbles and to reduce risk a “bubble to bubble” concept will be used. People are NOT allowed to leave their bubble as contamination could occur endangering the safety of the event and the health of the participants. Each individual is responsible to ensure they follow the IJF COVID rules for entry to the bubble.

Athletes ONLY	
Timeline	Action
FULLY VACCINATED Arrival and entry to event bubble	Maximum 4 days (96h) before arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test. Upon arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test (isolate until negative result received). Before weigh-in: 1 rapid antigen test.



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NON-VACCINATED Arrival and entry to event bubble	<p>Maximum 8 days before arrival to the bubble: 2 PCR tests taken a minimum of 48h apart. PCR-2 must be maximum 4 days (96h) before arrival to the bubble.</p> <p>Upon arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test (isolate until negative result received).</p> <p>Before weigh-in: 1 rapid antigen test.</p>
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Athletes MUST arrive 24 hours before their weigh-in at the very latest!

All others (coaches, doctors etc.) except athletes	
Timeline	Action
FULLY VACCINATED Arrival and entry to event bubble	<p>Maximum 4 days (96h) before arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test.</p> <p>Upon arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test (isolate until negative result received).</p>
NON-VACCINATED Arrival and entry to event bubble	<p>Maximum 8 days before arrival to the bubble: 2 PCR tests taken a minimum of 48h apart. PCR-2 must be maximum 4 days (96h) before arrival to the bubble.</p> <p>Upon arrival to the bubble: 1 PCR test (isolate until negative result received).</p>

To maintain the required safety level at the IJF events, the following variants of vaccination are recognised as complete vaccination and the bearers as “fully vaccinated” within the validity period. In case the validity expires during an event, the status is upheld until the last day of the event.

The IJF accepts all vaccination types, not only EMA or WHO approved products.

Type of protection	Minimum time elapsed	Maximum time elapsed
1 dose of and 1 dose vaccines (Janssen, Sputnik Lite, or other)	Minimum 28 days from receiving the dose	Maximum 6 months from receiving the dose
2 doses of any 2 dose vaccines	Minimum 14 days from the 2nd dose	Maximum 6 months from the 2nd dose
Booster doses: 3rd or additional dose (2nd dose after a 1 dose vaccine)	Minimum 7 days from the last dose	To be determined by the WHO, currently no end of validity
Recovery from infection and 1 dose	Minimum 14 days from receiving the dose	Maximum 6 months from receiving the dose
1 dose and recovery from infection	Minimum 11 days from the positive PCR test	Maximum 6 months from the positive PCR test
Recovery from infection	Minimum 11 days from the positive PCR test	Maximum 6 months from the positive PCR test

Vaccination validity is subject to change according to WHO recommendations.

Please, note host country vaccination criteria may differ from the IJF's, always check the local rules before travelling.

If due to flight schedules you need to arrive earlier than the bubble opening, contact the LOC and they will assist you with a solution.

PCR TEST ON ARRIVAL TO BUBBLE

All participants must take a PCR immediately upon arrival to the event bubble.

Collection place	Official hotels
Test collection times	24 hours
Results issued within	12 hours

Until arrival to the bubble PCR test results are obtained, all participants must remain in their hotel rooms, where water and any paid meals will be ensured until the receipt of the test results.

POSITIVE PCR TEST PROCESS

In case of a positive test result the host country Government procedure will be followed.

Quarantine period	10 days
Quarantine hotel	Hotel Bomond Garden
Hotel address	Brotseuli St 11 / Marshal Gelovani Street 6A, Tbilisi, 0108, 0159
Rates (per person per night)	100 euro

Anyone with a positive test MUST stay in the quarantine hotel provided by the LOC. The cost must be paid by the media representative.

Close contacts will be traced and may be isolated/quarantined depending on the host country Government COVID-19 measures, their definition of close contact may differ from that described in the IJF COVID-19 protocol.

DURING THE EVENT

For more details please see the IJF COVID-19 Protocol: covid.ijf.org

- Wash/sanitise your hands regularly.
- No handshake - greet each other with a bow.
- Wear a mask at all times. Masks must be worn in dining areas at all times, except when sitting eating.
- Maintain 1.5 m distance at all times.
- Submit yourselves to contactless temperature measurement. Anyone registering a high temperature will be asked to remain outside and the LOC COVID-19 Manager and the IJF COVID-19 Manager will be contacted. An opportunity to recheck their temperature will be given, if it is still high a final decision will be made by the LOC COVID-19 Manager and the IJF COVID-19 Manager.



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SYMPTOMS AFTER ARRIVAL

Anyone who experiences symptoms after arrival must immediately contact the LOC COVID-19 Manager.

IJF Covid Manager	Mrs Corina ILIC	corina@ijf.org	+38 59 93 02 96 86
LOC Covid Manager	Mr Giorgi Kazalikhvili	kazaligeorg@gmail.com	+995 599890018

EXIT TESTS

Exit tests, if required, may be booked with the LOC, if required.

Where to book	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com
PCR test price	75 euro
Antigen test price	25 euro
Payment method	Bank transfer with the accommodation or by cash (euro)

With any COVID-related questions pre-event, please contact: covid@ijf.org

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1. DEADLINES

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before Competition day 1	Deadline	
33	01 May 2022	Hotel first reservation
24	10 May 2022	Hotel final reservation and full payment
19	15 May 2022	Arrival and departure information uploaded to my.ijf.org
24	10 May 2022	Visa application (with passport photocopies)*
19	15 May 2022	Full refund in case of hotel cancellation (medical reason e.g., sick or COVID-19 positive, must send medical certificate)
7	27 May 2022	Event inscription http://ijfmedia.datastat.si

*Entry letters and visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed on the IJF media platform.

Event Inscription

In case of unforeseen delay of arrival or if someone has to be cancelled from the event you must inform both the IJF (registration@ijf.org) and the LOC (grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com).

2. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

Name	Georgian Judo Federation
Address	5 a. Beliashvili street, Tblisi Georgia. 0159
Telephone number	+995 322 516466
Email	www.gjf.ge
Website	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com

3. LOC EVENT CONTACTS

Accommodation	Mrs Natalie Chikvaidze	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com	+995 577725261
General Enquiries	Mrs Irina Sakvarelidze	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com	+995 577994418
Visa	Ms Sophia Tsirekidze	visagstbilisi@gmail.com	+995 599208020

Emergency (24 hours, English-speaking)	Mrs Irina Sakvarelidze	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com	+995 577994418
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4. COMPETITION VENUE

Name	Olympic Sports Palace
Address	2 University Street, Tbilisi, Georgia
Spectators	2.500
Tickets	Free

5. PROGRAMME

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Wednesday 01 June 2022	14:00 - 20:00	Accreditation	Hotel Holiday Inn
Thursday 02 June 2022	09:00 - 12:00	Accreditation	Hotel Holiday Inn
	14:00	Draw	Online
	19:00 - 19:30	Weigh-in-W: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg; M: -60 kg, -66 kg	Hotel Holiday Inn
Friday 03 June 2022	Competition Day 1 - W: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg; M: -60 kg, -66 kg		
	TBC*	Preliminaries	Olympic Sports Palace
	17:00	Final Block	
	19:00 - 19:30	Weigh-in-W: -63 kg, -70 kg; M: -73 kg, -81 kg	Hotel Holiday Inn
Saturday 04 June 2022	Competition Day 2 - W: -63 kg, -70 kg; M: -73 kg, -81 kg		
	TBC*	Preliminaries	Olympic Sports Palace
	TBC	Opening Ceremony	
	17:00	Final Block	
	19:00 - 19:30	Weigh-in-W: -78 kg, +78 kg; M: -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg	
Sunday 05 June 2022	Competition Day 3 - W: -78 kg, +78 kg; M: -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg		
	TBC*	Preliminaries	Olympic Sports Palace
	17:00	Final Block	

* The start time will be confirmed once the final number of athletes is known.

6. ENTRY TO HOST COUNTRY

Each participant needs an Entry Permission Letter from the LOC.

For those participants who need a visa the LOC will assist where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant.

Please note that visa approvals or rejections are done by the Government authorities and the LOC has no control over this and cannot be held responsible for any rejections.

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Complete the form	Tbilisi GS 2022 Form Entry & Visa		
Deadline	10 May 2022		
Entry permission contact	Ms Sophia Tsirekidze	visagstbilisi@gmail.com	+995 599208020

7. TRANSPORT

The LOC will provide official transportation for media during the competition. This transportation service includes airport transfers. Only official transport must be used whilst in the bubble (no taxis, no private cars etc.).

Arrival and Departure details must be sent to covid@ijf.org.

Transfers for this event will be arranged from/to:			
Airport 1	Tbilisi International Airport TBS		
Deadline	15 May 2022		
Transport contact	Ms Mariana Imnadze	info@mititour.ge	+995 599502882

8. ACCOMMODATION

All media participants, who inscribe for an IJF WJT event, must reserve their accommodation in one of the official hotels published in the event outlines. The reservation must be made with the LOC (not directly with the hotel).

Any damage to hotel property will be charged to the participant and must be paid in full.

Complete the form	Tbilisi GS 2022 Form Accommodation		
Deadline first reservation	01 May 2022		
Deadline final reservation and full payment	10 May 2022		
Accommodation contact	Mrs Natalie Chikvaidze	grandslamtbilisi@gmail.com	+995 577725261

Due to the COVID-19 situation, all participants must stay at the official hotel for the entire period of their stay, as the bubble-to-bubble concept is used at this event. People sharing a room must check-in at similar time, due to quarantine rules. If someone checks in later, the first person to check in will need to stay in quarantine until the 2nd person is released from quarantine.

Note: The LOC will do their best to provide your first choice of accommodation but, as rooms might be limited, this cannot be guaranteed. After the accommodation deadline, the LOC cannot promise rooms in the hotels detailed in these outlines and another official hotel may be added.



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INTERNATIONAL MEDIA BUBBLE

The following packages are available:

Bed and breakfast includes breakfast at the hotel.

Full board includes breakfast at the hotel, lunch* and dinner at the hotel.

Hotel - Holiday Inn	
Address	1, 0171 Twentysix May Square
Phone	+995 032 230 00 99
Website	https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/tbilisi/tbsms/hoteldetail

Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	N/A
Late check-out	N/A
Airconditioning	Yes
Gym	No
Wi-Fi	Yes
Room service	Yes
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

All prices are per person per night in: euro

	Bed & Breakfast	Full Board
Single	180	230
Twin	150	175
Extra lunch on competition days (at the sport hall)		30
Reserve at the hotel welcome desk		
Deposit required by hotel at check-in		No

Distance and approximate travel time	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport 1	22	00:40
Accreditation	same hotel	
Draw	The draw will be held online: www.ijf.org	
Sport hall	4	00:15

PAYMENT

According to the IJF rule enacted on the 2 December 2012 in Tokyo, "the organising country should not request penalties fee for participating countries who cannot make bank transfers but can pay in cash upon arrival. Those countries who cannot make bank transfers should inform the LOC well in advance that they will

pay cash on arrival".

All bank fees and bank transfer costs must be paid by the participating National Federation to the following bank:

Beneficiary's Name	Georgian National Judo Federation
Bank Name	Bank of Georgia
Bank Address	29a Gagarini street, Tbilisi 0160, Georgia
SWIFT Code	BAGAGE22
IBAN	GE52BG000000954854100
Payment reference	COUNTRY and REASON

If payment is being made by bank transfer the bank information must be inserted correctly and completely on the transfer document and any procedures related to amendment of the bank transfer must be done before arrival. Participants must ensure that all bank charges are paid at their end so that the LOC receives the correct amount of funds without any deductions. Participants must have proof of the bank transfer, upon arrival.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If rooms are cancelled the LOC has the right to charge as follows:	
No refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid from 19 days before start of competition (Refund only in case sending positive PCR test).	15 May 2022

9. GENERAL INFORMATION

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

All local and international media representatives participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the IJF Officials, the IJF Statutes, the IJF Sports and Organisation Rules (SOR, www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/21) and the IJF Anti-Doping Rules (www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/17). Individuals deemed to have acted against the IJF, its principles or purposes should be subject to suspension or expulsion from the event and/or cancellation of their accreditation cards.

INSURANCE

Everyone is responsible for their own insurance and must assume all responsibility for accident and health insurance as well as civil liabilities during any IJF WJT event.

The LOC of the event and the IJF will not be responsible in the absence of insurance.

The entity contractually bound to the IJF for the organisation of the event shall take all necessary actions to provide insurance coverage against civil liability for the entire duration.

The LOC of the event and the IJF have no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event.



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COMPETITION RULES

All media matters are the responsibility of the IJF Media Director. It is expressly forbidden for all media including photographers to live stream at any time during the draw, competition or any other official IJF activity. They are not allowed to film, or photograph injured or bleeding athletes anywhere in the venue. Mobile devices must not be used for any function while mat side.

Media are not allowed to access the warm-up area unless special access has been granted from the IJF. This must be proposed and granted by the IJF at least two weeks before the competition. Any member of the media who does not follow the above risks losing their accreditation and access to the competition.

Religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited for everyone on the field of play.

ACCREDITATION

The purpose of accreditation is to identify people and their roles at events and allow them necessary access to perform their roles.

Accreditation cards may be picked up from the accreditation centre, from the welcome desk at the hotel after the draw, from the media entrance welcome desk in the sport hall, or from any other place dedicated to media which will be indicated.

An accredited person should never wear another person's accreditation card. The accreditation card remains the property of the IJF and can be withdrawn, with immediate effect, at the IJF's sole discretion.

The accreditation card is valid for the duration of the competition and is the personal identity document of the participant for all security and access controls. This card contains: last (family) name, first (given) name, country, IJF ID number, media status (writer, photographer) and a picture.

Replacement of lost or forgotten accreditation will be charged at 50 US\$ to be paid to the IJF.

RESPECT TOWARDS ATHLETES

Throughout the event, from arrival to departure, media representatives must observe strict respect for the athletes and their delegation.

The delegations need calm to prepare and concentrate, the international media will only have access to the athletes under the conditions of the competition, at the stadium, in a mixed zone, in compliance with the IJF COVID-19 protocol.

Any other request must be the subject of a written request to the IJF: press@ijf.org

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