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Year 2021 was still strongly influenced by pandemic restrictions, but thanks to a very precise IJF COVID protocol (first published August 2020, latest version September 2022) and discipline of all organizers and delegations we could organize almost all planned events.

The Olympic Qualification was prolonged until June 2021 and finished by the World Championships 2021 in Budapest.

2021	Athletes	Men	Women	Nations
WC Seniors Hungary	661	383	278	118
WC Seniors Hungary Mixed Teams	149	77	70	15

The Olympic Games 2020 in Tokyo was a real success and this time not only because of universality which again put JUDO in the 3rd place of all Olympic sports in terms of participation of the Nations, gender equality qualification system, but also because of historical first time Mixed Team competition including a refugee team who was and is still strongly supported by the IJF.

	Athletes	Men	Women	Nations
Olympic Games Tokyo	393	201	192	128
Olympic Games Tokyo Mixed Teams	138	73	65	12

World Championships 2021

2021	Athletes	Men	Women	Nations
WC Veterans Lisbon	369	353	16	43
WC Kata Lisbon	206	161	45	25
WC Juniors Olbia	490	282	208	72
WC Juniors Mixed teams	142	72	70	14

The IJF organized in 2021 also 10 WJT events (1 Masters, 8 GS and 1 GP). Over 60 competitions have been organized for the future Olympic Generations. Offering the cadets and juniors a great platform to shine, gain experience and develop themselves as athletes.

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Year 2022 is running already with all planned competitions including some new events like GP POR, GS MGL as well as some upgrades (from GP to GS) and all World Championship the IJF organizes; Seniors, Juniors, Cadets, Veterans, Kata and IBSA.

2022	Athletes	Men	Women	Nations
WC Cadets Sarajevo	483	271	212	60
WC Cadets Sarajevo Mixed teams	143	75	68	14
WC Juniors Guayaquil	373	208	165	63
WC Juniors Guayaquil Mixed teams	87	42	45	9
WC Seniors Tashkent	571	310	261	82
WC Seniors Tashkent Mixed teams	178	94	84	17
WC Kata Krakow	242	169	73	26
WC Veterans Krakow	837	743	94	60
WC IBSA	241	157	84	41

In this year 2022 the Olympic Qualification already started and will last 2 years.

At this moment we have in the WRL more than 7,000 judoka from 169 Nations who are all considered as taking part in Olympic Qualification. Especially Continental Quota allows to all Continents to have many Nations participating in Olympic Games. We continue with the IJF Refugee project with the aim of having refugee athletes take part in the competition in Paris 2024.

The preparations for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games are going well. The venue (shared with wrestling, IBSA judo and wheelchair rugby for Paralympic Games) is the Grand Palais Éphémère, a temporary building of 10,000 m², which was installed on the Champ-de-Mars at the beginning of 2021 and will remain until the end of the Paris Olympic and Paralympic Games 2024. The back of house areas, warm-up, doping, medical, judogi control etc. will be temporary tents located in the park between the Eiffel Tower and linked to the competition venue.





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Judo competition dates:

Saturday 27 July – Saturday 3 August 2024.

Training venue (shared with taekwondo):

Complexe Sportif Auguste Delaune, 4.5 km from the Olympic Village.

Test event:

29 – 30 August 2023, small event replicating 1 day of the judo competition.

Olympic Village:

Located 7 km north of the centre of Paris, near Saint-Denis, Ile Saint-Denis and Saint-Ouen.

The Sport Commission continues together with the Education and Coaching Commission to improve our services to our athletes and coaches. The weigh-in time was accommodated for better coordination with Judogi control, the tolerance for the mixed team competition following an individual event was changed from 2kg to 5% to join with the same procedure of the 5% morning random weigh-in control.

We are grateful to and would like to thank to all National Federations, Organizers, IJF Commissions colleagues and all the IJF Executive Committee members for their continued collaboration and support.