

# GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION

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## International Judo Federation Gender Equality Commission

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Retrieved from the IJF Judobase, 2024

Position	Women	Men	Total	2022-2024 Shift in %
Athletes (active)	5243 (33.25%)	10523 (66.75%)	15766 (100.00%)	+ 7.01
Coaches (active)	346 (12.88%)	2548 (87.12%)	2925 (100.00%)	-0.84
Referees	171 (23.04%)	571 (76.96%)	742 (100.00%)	-1.49
NF presidents	18 (9.23%)	177 (90.77%)	195 (100.00%)	+ 1.19
NF general secretaries	46 (23,83%)	147 (76.17%)	193 (100.00%)	+ 0.3

NF - national federations

The Gender Equality Commission of the International Judo Federation is following and reporting on the status of women in judo in different positions, through each and every two year period. The statistics offer evidence and guide us to the areas where we need to strengthen our activities.

From the numbers drawn from Judobase, presented in the table above, it is clear that women have smaller shares in every position in judo.

Athletes are those most represented in the overall judo population (33%), followed by IJF referees (23%) and administrative roles (general secretaries – 24%).

Coaches as well as women in leadership positions (presidents of national judo federations) are most under-represented (13% and 9% respectively).

The last column in the above table illustrates the shift that happened in the period from 2022 to 2024. Again, the highest growth is recorded in the athlete population, to be expected as winning medals on the IJF World Judo Tour is among the main goals of all national federations.

The IJF Gender Equality Commission is collaborating with the national judo federations and continental unions to remove obstacles and encourage more pronounced involvement of women in judo, ensuring the necessary initial conditions are met for all genders to be able to progress and succeed in their fields of activity. In the judo family we all need to fight against stereotypes and prejudices while judo is still a male-dominated sport.

Following the IOC recommendations and good governance principles, we need to be dedicated to respecting human rights, including gender equality, and be persistent with the work undertaken to elicit change.

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