## **INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION**



**EVENT OUTLINES** 

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Dear national federations, dear friends,

We welcome you to Las Vegas in the United States of America, a new destination for the IJF and one which will give our veteran judoka the experience of a lifetime. This is a place designed for fun and high energy events, and we are looking forward to sharing such a special occasion with you.

In Las Vegas we are promised first class hospitality amid a lively city that boasts both state-of-the-art technology and a unique, mind blowing landscape. The sheer scale of the city itself and the surrounding areas are a must-see. Now this incredible region extends arms of friendship to our veterans and coaches.

Our judo family enjoyed an outstanding stay in Abu Dhabi, UAE, in 2023 for the pinnacle veteran event of the year and now move into Pan America thanks to the collaborative efforts of the local organisers and the IJF Veterans Commission. The 2024 edition of the IJF World Veteran Championships promises to celebrate lives dedicated to judo and be an event to last long in the memory for all those arriving in the state of Nevada.

I wish all our delegations, friends and the wider judo family a healthy and successful event, filled with excellence. Las Vegas welcomes you! Yours in judo,

Marius L. VIZER
President
International Judo Federation



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Dear Judo Friends and Family,

On behalf of USA Judo, welcome to the United States of America and the 2024 Las Vegas World Veterans and Kata Championships.

The United States is thrilled to host an International Judo Federation competition for the first time in many years. As the entertainment capital of the world and the home of many premier sporting competitions and events, Las Vegas will serve as an excellent host city for the 2024 Las Vegas World Veterans and Kata Championships.

Judo in the USA is continuing to grow, and we are excited to welcome back our esteemed international judokas and friends as we prepare for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Los Angeles, just four hours away from Las Vegas. Our sincere thanks to IJF President Marius Vizer, the IJF Veterans and Kata Committees, and IJF staff for granting the United States the opportunity to host this prestigious event. We appreciate the leadership of President Vizer and the IJF's dedication to raising the bar on creating and executing some of the best organized events in the international sporting community. We also extend our appreciation to MGO Events for collaborating with USA Judo in the organization and implementation of these championships. These relationships are a perfect display of "mutual welfare and benefit" – the ideology which Professor Kano created for our great sport. We are committed to upholding the principles and values of judo and providing a world class environment for shiai and kata athletes.

In a country that celebrates diversity and international cultures, we look forward to celebrating the spirit of judo and demonstrating the beauty of friendship and respect for the world to see.

We look forward to welcoming participating judokas, IJF leaders, officials, organizers, and fans for a fun and memorable experience in Las Vegas, Nevada USA and look forward to seeing you soon!

With gratitude and excitement,

President Joe RAGAN, Board of Directors, Staff and Members USA Judo





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Dear Judo Family,

The world's top judo event for veterans in 2024 is about to start – and this in the blistering city of Las Vegas / USA, one of the hottest spots in the world.

I want to thank - on behalf of the IJF Veterans' Commission - USA Judo's president Joe Ragan and his team, as well as the local organizers for realising this fantastic event.

And of course my heartfelt thanks go to IJF President Marius L. Vizer and the Executive Committee for their outstanding long-time support of the worldwide Veterans' movement. And to the judo media, the IT team, the offices and last but not least the referees and everybody else involved in this event.

The World Championships for Veterans 2024 will take place in Las Vegas in the United States of America – Hajime!

We are expecting judoka from all over the world, united by their love for judo - male and female and from every single continent.

I am looking forward to a great judo festival with many old and new friends and to one of the leading cities of the world, for decades well known for great sports, the world class show business and much more. We will enjoy excellent judo on the base of Jigoro Kano Shihan's judo values, great fights and the huge power and spirit of the Judo Veterans' Community.

Enjoy the event and may the best win! Judo is a lifelong experience and the journey goes on – no doubt about it – see you soon.

Kind regards and good luck - Viva Las Vegas!

Mr Denis Weisser Chair International Judo Federation Veterans' Commission

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### **EVENTS DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE: https://www.ijf.org/competition/2855**

### PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

### 1. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

All event participants participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the International Judo Federation (IJF) officials, the IJF Statutes, the IJF Sport and Organisation Rules **SOR** and the IJF Anti- Doping Rules (https://www.ijf.org/cleanjudo/133). 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.

Join our digital notice board: https://t.me/IJFveterans

### 2. DEADLINES FOR DELEGATIONS

Days before Competition day 1	Deadline	Action
105	27 July 2024	Visa application (with passport photocopies)*
50	15 September 2024 (23:59 CET)	Full refund in case of hotel cancellation
49	16 September 2024	Hotel final reservation and full payment
8	27 October 2024 (23:59 CET)	Event inscription (Judobase)

<sup>\*</sup>Entry letters and visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in Judobase.

Entries	Deadline	Price
Entries to:	until 15 June 2024	160 US dollars
Entries from:	from 15 June to 01 August 2024	170 US dollars
Entries from :	from 02 August to 01 October 2024	195 US dollars
Entries from :	from 02 October to 01 November 2024	235 US dollars
On-site entries:	from 02 November 2024 to the end of accreditation	270 US dollars

### 3. EVENT INSCRIPTION AND ENTRY FEES

Entries will be accepted from a national federation and a national club or individual athlete (with the permission of the national federation). There is no limit to the number of athletes from the same country that can be inscribed in a category. All entry fees are non-refundable.

All participating delegates must have a valid IJF card. There are two types of IJF cards:

- IJF international cards (renewable every two years) can be used for all functions (athlete, coach, team official, doctor etc.) at IJF World Judo Tour events including world championships kata and veterans.
- IJF veterans/kata card (valid for life) can be used for all functions (athlete, coach, team official, doctor etc.) at the world championships kata and veterans. It cannot be used at other IJF World Judo Tour events.



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A registered competitor can use their athlete accreditation to coach. An additional coach accreditation is not required. Any athletes who choose also to coach their colleagues and then don't follow IJF **SOR** section 7.1 Coaches' Code of Conduct risk being removed from the competition (i.e., no longer allowed to compete if applicable). Coaches at the World Championships Veterans do not need to have the IJF Academy Level 1 Instructor, the Undergraduate certificate Judo Instructor (UCJI), or the Master Coach certification.

Inscription must be done in **Judobase** by the national federation by **27 October 2024, 23:59 CET**. For assistance, please contact **registration@ijf.org** before the end of the deadline.

IJF nationality rules (IJF **SOR**, section 1.7) must be respected, and athletes must be of the same nationality as the national federation for which they have been entered for the competition. The evidence of nationality shall be the production of a valid passport issued by the represented country. Athletes who have permission to take part in IJF events under rule 1.7.2.4 (IJF **SOR**) who do not have a valid passport issued by the represented country must present a photographic identity and the IJF authorisation letter. Athletes shall present all documents to the official who will verify their identity.

Individual athletes and national clubs must contact the national federation to be inscribed. Inscriptions on the spot can only be done with the written permission of the national federation.

There is no limit to the number of athletes from the same country that can be inscribed in a category.

### All entry fees are non-refundable.

In case of unforeseen delay of arrival or if someone must be cancelled from the event you must inform both the IJF (registration@ijf.org) and the local organising committee (LOC) (info.judo@mgoevents.com).

### 4. PAYMENTS AND CANCELLATION POLICY

### PAY ATTENTION TO FRAUDULENT EMAILS! USE ONLY THE BANK DETAILS FROM THE OFFICIAL OUTLINES.

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 event fees, bank fees and bank transfer costs must be paid by the participant/national federation to the following bank:

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Beneficiary's name	MGO USA INC	
MGO USA address	10200 NW 25 STREET, ST 207 A , DORAL FL , 33172	
Bank name	Bank of America	
Bank address	3025 NW 87 Ave, Miami FL 33172	
Account Number:	898102476294	
Routing Number:	063000047 /063100277 (paper / electronic)	
SWIFT	BOFAUS3N	
Payment reference	Veterans / Country / Invoice #	



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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 receive the correct amount of funds without any deductions. Participants must have proof of the bank transfer, upon arrival.

Whenever possible, cancellations should be made before accreditation. The local organising committee has the right to charge cancellation fees below.

If participation is cancelled the local organising committee has the right to charge as follows:		
Accommodation - 100% refund from	Up to and including 15 September 2024	
Accommodation - no refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid from	16 September 2024	
Entry fee	No refund	

### 5. PARTICIPATION RULES

To participate in an IJF WJT event each participant is responsible to follow:

• The rules to enter the host country and the local government health measures.

### Any participant is eligible to inscribe in the competition provided he/she is:

- Not under a disciplinary suspension.
- Not under suspension for anti-doping rule violation.
- Not carrying any communicable diseases that may risk other delegates' health.

### In addition, athletes must:

- Meet the IJF Athlete Eligibility Regulations (found in the IJF Governance Policies).
- Not be under medical suspension.
- Be healthy and fit for competition (see section 6 medical certificates).
- Be the correct age for the age division. Any national federation entering athletes that are not of the correct age will be subject to an investigation and possible disciplinary action.
- Hold a current and valid licence (membership) issued by a national federation currently affiliated to the IJF.
- Pay the appropriate entry fees in full before the deadline set in the event outlines.
- Check in at accreditation (see schedule of accreditation in the event outlines).
- Meet the specific weigh-in requirements.
- All athletes must have obtained the minimum grade of first kyu.
- Provide photographic proof of their identity and date of birth. Accepted documents are a valid current
  passport or a valid national identity card showing the same nationality as the country of issue. The
  document presented must be the same nationality that the athlete is representing in the competition. A
  travel document which can resemble a passport will not be accepted. Athletes who have permission to
  take part in IJF events under rule 1.7.2 who do not have a valid passport issued by the represented country
  must present either a photographic identity or refugee travel document and the IJF authorisation letter.
- Have sufficient technical knowledge (know the terminology and can execute all the techniques in the IJF SOR Appendix G) and understand fully the IJF sport rules.



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### 6. MEDICAL CERTIFICATES (OBLIGATORY FOR EACH ATHLETE)

To compete, athletes **MUST** have a medical certificate issued by an authorised body of the country they represent. It must be valid for the day(s) of participation in the competition, not older than one (1) year and can be easily read if hand-written.

Certificates must be issued in or translated to one of IJF's official languages (English, French, Spanish).

The medical certificate must be uploaded to **my.ijf.org** by the athlete's national judo federation. Athletes may be asked to present the hard copy of their certificate upon request.

### NO UPLOADED CORRECT MEDICAL CERTIFICATE = NO START IN THE COMPETITION!

For information about the medical certificate contact medical@ijf.org

### 7. MINIMUM AGE

The minimum age for participation is to be 30 years or over in the year of the event. This defines the age at which athletes first become eligible to compete. Once an athlete has become eligible, they will be allocated into their appropriate five-year age category e.g., M1/F1 will consist of athletes who have their 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> or 34<sup>th</sup> birthday and the M2/F2 will consist of athletes who have their 35<sup>th</sup>, 36<sup>th</sup>, 37<sup>th</sup>, 38<sup>th</sup> or 39<sup>th</sup> birthday at any date during the year of the world championships.

### **8. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

Name	USA Judo	
Address/telephone number	1 Olympic Plaza, 80909 Colorado Springs, Colorado / +17198664730	
Website	https://www.usajudo.com	
Email	info.judo@mgoevents.com	

### 9. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE EVENT CONTACTS

Accommodation	Ms Alejandra Luna	veterans.lasvegas@mgoevents.com	+523331465845
<b>General Enquiries</b>	Ms Paola Garcia	info.judo@mgoevents.com	+523331465843
Training	Ms Corinne Shigemoto	training.veterans@mgoevents.com	Email only
Visa	Ms Maria Salinas	visas@mgoevents.com	Email only
Emergency (24 hours, English-speaking)	Ms Nidia Cordero	nidia.cordero@mgoevents.com	tbc

### **10. COMPETITION VENUE**

Name	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center	
Address	3700 W Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89103	
Website	https://www.riolasvegas.com	
Seats for spectators	800	
Tickets	At the accreditation or can be purchased at the door if available.	



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### 11. PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	PLACE
Sunday 03 November 2024	10:00 - 12:30 13:00 - 15:30 15:30 - 16:30 17:00 19:00	Accreditation and weigh-in M6, M9 M7, M8 Late arrivals M6, M7, M8, M9 Draw: M6, M7, M8, M9 Referee Meeting	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center
	TBC*	Competition day 1: M6, M7, M8, M9 Preliminaries	
Monday 04 November 2024	10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 16:30 16:30 - 17:30	Accreditation and weigh-in M1 M3 Late arrivals M1, M3	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center
	18:00	Draw M1, M3	
Tuesday 05 November 2024	TBC*  10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 16:30 16:30 - 17:30 18:00	Preliminaries  Accreditation Weigh-in M4 M5 Late arrivals M4, M5 Draw: M4, M5	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center
Wednesday 06 November 2024	TBC*  10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 16:30 16:30 - 17:30 18:00	Preliminaries  Accreditation Weigh-in F1-9 M2 Late arrivals F1-9, M2 Draw: F1-9, M2	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center
Thursday 07		Competition day 4: F1-9, M2	Rio Hotel and Casino
November 2024	TBC*	Preliminaries	Conference Center

<sup>\*</sup> The start time will be confirmed once the final number of athletes is known.



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### 12. ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

Each individual is responsible to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter etc.) for the host country. Entry rules may be subject to change, the current information can be found here: https://www.dhs.gov/visit-united-states

The LOC will assist with visas where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant. Visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in **Judobase** for the event. It is the responsibility of the national federation to ensure that their delegation respects the conditions of stay defined by the Government of the country hosting the event. If any participant does not respect these conditions, any costs arising will be borne by the national federation concerned.

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.

Contact the LOC if you need help for a visa			
Deadline	27 July 2024		
Visa contact	Ms Maria Salinas	visas@mgoevents.com	Email only

### **13. TRANSPORT**

Transport is not provided by the local organising committee.

### 14. PRE-EVENT TRAINING

Training during the event is the responsibility of the LOC. Planning and scheduling of training sessions will be organised taking into consideration requests made by delegations daily on a first request made first served basis. To book training contact the LOC.

Training venue	Rio Hotel and Casino Conference Center		
Address	3700 W Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89103		
Training dates and times	Saturday 02 - Thursday 07 November 2024, 09:00 - 21:00		
<b>Booking contact</b>	Ms Corinne Shigemoto	training.veterans@mgoevents.com	Email only

### 15. ACCOMMODATION

All delegations, 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 local organising committee (not directly with the hotel) for a minimum of two (2) nights. This two night rule does not apply to the host national federation delegates.

MAKE SURE THAT YOUR ROOM IS BOOKED ACCORDING TO YOUR TRAVEL INFORMATION (CHECK-IN IS AT 15:00). E.g., flight arrives at 00:30hrs on the 04 November, the room should be booked from the 05 November.

Any damage to hotel property will be charged to the national federation and must be paid in full. Delegations are kindly requested not to dry clothing (including judogi) or have training sessions in the corridors of the official hotels.



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Complete the form	Las Vegas Veterans 2024 Form Accommodation		
Deadline final reservation and full payment	16 September 2024		
Accommodation contact	Ms Alejandra Luna	veterans.lasvegas@mgoevents.com	+523331465845

**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.

### **DELEGATION HOTELS**

The following packages are available in the delegation hotels:

Bed and breakfast includes breakfast at the hotel.

CATEGORY A - Rio Hotel and Casino Ipanema Tower		
Address	3700 W Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89103	
Phone	+18667467671	
Website	https://www.riolasvegas.com	
Check-in time	15:00	
Check-out time	11:00	
Early check-in / Late check-out	Not available	
Air-conditioning	Yes (free)	
Gym and pools	Yes (free)	
Wi-Fi	Yes (free)	
Room service	Yes	
A La Carte restaurant	Yes	
Food delivery allowed	Yes	

All prices are per person per night in: US dollars

CATEGORY A - Rio Hotel and Casino Ipanema Tower	Bed & breakfast
Single	290
Twin	195
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	If incidentals are required the deposit is 100 US dollars per day

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to: Km Time (hh:r		Time (hh:mm)
Airport (LAS)	6	00:12
Training venue	Same	hotel
Accreditation	Same	hotel
Sport hall	Same	hotel



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CATEGORY B - Rio Hotel and Casino Masquerade Tower		
Address	3700 W Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89103	
Phone	+18667467671	
Website	https://www.riolasvegas.com	
Check-in time	15:00	
Check-out time	12:00	
Early check-in / Late check-out	Not available	
Air-conditioning	Yes (free)	
Gym and pools	Yes (free)	
Wi-Fi	Yes (free)	
Room service	Yes	
A La Carte restaurant	Yes	
Food delivery allowed	Yes	

## All prices are per person per night in: US dollars

<b>CATEGORY B - Rio Hotel and Casino Masquerade Tower</b>	Bed & breakfast
Single	230
Twin	155
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	If incidentals are required the deposit is 100 US dollars per day

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport (LAS)	6	00:12
Training venue	Same	hotel
Accreditation	Same	hotel
Sport hall	Same	hotel

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#### **NEW ADDED HOTEL**

CATEGORY B - The Orleans Hotel & Casino	
Address	4500 W Tropicana Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89103
Phone	+17023657111
Website	http://www.orleanscasino.com
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	11:00
Early check-in / Late check-out	Not available
Air-conditioning	Yes (free)
Gym and pools	TBC
Wi-Fi	Yes (free)
Room service	Yes
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

### All prices are per person per night in: US dollars

CATEGORY B - The Orleans Hotel & Casino	Room (breakfast not include)	
Single 170		
Twin	103	
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	If incidentals are required the deposit is 100 US dollars per day	

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport (LAS)	6	00:12
Training venue	2.1	00:05
Accreditation	2.1	00:05
Sport hall	2.1	00:05

### **16. GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **INSURANCE**

Each national federation is directly responsible for its athletes (including the control of non-pregnancy and the control of gender). It must assume all responsibility for accident, health and civil liability insurance under their charge during events.

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

National federations are responsible to provide insurance guarantees to their delegates during any IJF WJT event. The LOC of the event and the IJF will not be responsible in the absence of insurance.



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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.

It is the responsibility of the national federation to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) or its variants or communicable disease, related costs, including repatriation.

The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event nor any claims relating to the cancellation of the event or medical costs related to illness, due to SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) or its variants or other communicable disease(s), that may affect a national federation delegation member during the event.

### CONSENT FOR USE OF DATA/PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOS/FILMING

Delegates inscribed by their national federations for WJT events consent to the IJF and its media partners to use content of them, including data, live results, photographs and/or video recordings (hereafter referred to as Media). This media may be obtained from national federations and IJF. It will also be acquired by the IJF and its media partners from in and around all IJF WJT event venues. Media could be used in print and digital media formats including print publications, websites, e-marketing, posters banners, advertising, film, broadcast, social media, education purposes and other purposes.

The national federation must ensure that they have the permission of each delegate or in the case of a minor the permission of the parent/guardian.

If a delegate does not give consent for use of data, photography, videos and filming then the national federation must inform the IJF by writing to registration@ijf.org

#### **COMPETITION RULES FOR VETERANS**

The IJF competition rules will apply with except for modifications made to age divisions (IJF **SOR** section A1.4), category combining (IJF **SOR** section A1.7), contest and golden score duration (IJF **SOR** section A1.6).

#### **WEIGHT CATEGORIES FOR VETERANS**

Women: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg, -63 kg, -70 kg, -78 kg, +78 kg Men: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73 kg, -81 kg, -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg

### TIME DURATION OF CONTESTS FOR VETERANS

Duration (minutes) for individual events will be as follows:

- M1/F1 to M6/F6: three (3) minutes.
- M7/F7 and over: two and a half (2.5) minutes.

Age range	Age Division	Contest Duration	Golden Score
30-59	M1/F1 to/including M6/F6	3 minutes	No limit
60+	M7/F7 to/including M9/F9	2.5 minutes	1 minute*

<sup>\*</sup>If a tie exists at the end of the 1 minute golden score time, the referee, in consultation with the table jury will determine the winner without calling hantei.



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### **AGE DIVISIONS FOR VETERANS**

Athletes will be allocated an age division based on:

- a) Meeting the entrance criteria of a minimum of 30 years of age within the year of the event and,
- b) Their date of birth in line with a five-year age range:

Age division	Actual age (in the year of the event)	
F1/M1	30-34	
F2/M2	35-39	
F3/M3	40-44	
F4/M4	45-49	
F5/M5	50-54	
F6/M6	55-59	
F7/M7	60 - 64 (no shime-waza)	
F8/M8	65 - 69 (no shime-waza)	
F9/M9	70+ (no shime-waza)	

In order to facilitate the best possible application of the category combining policy (see below) in situations of potentially a small number of entries and all the female categories will be held on the same day.

### **CATEGORY COMBINING FOR VETERANS**

To facilitate the best possible application of the category combining policy it will be used when a category has a small number of entries, and all the female categories will be held on the same day.

A technical official from the IJF will delegate responsibility to a suitable individual, representing the host organisation, who will be responsible for operating the category combining policy. This policy applies to all weight categories within all age divisions.

Category combining may only be applied to categories where there are less than three entrants. If category combining cannot be achieved safely and according to the guidelines, then a pool of two (2) elimination system may be considered. The best of three contests between the two (2) athletes, if the result is 2-0 then the third contest will not be fought.

- Combining within the same age division athletes should remain within their age division if possible.
- Combining using weight categories athletes should only be combined with other athletes who are no more than one weight category lighter or one weight category heavier.



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Special consideration should be given to the actual weight differences when dealing with the lightest and the heaviest female and male categories (as a guideline a maximum of 10 kg actual difference when combining the lightest weight category and a maximum of 20 kg actual difference when combining the heaviest weight category should be considered as a limit unless there are other compensatory factors such as experience etc.). Weight should be the primary consideration when moving athletes about within their own age division or combining them with other age divisions in accordance with the guidelines below.

#### **AGE DIVISIONS:**

- Athletes in age divisions M7 or F7 and above (M8/F8 and M9/F9) may only be combined with other
  athletes who are no more than one age division higher or more than one age division lower i.e., athletes in
  M7/F7 may only be combined with athletes from M6/F6 or M8/F8.
- Athletes in divisions M6 or F6 may be combined with athletes no more than one age division higher or two age divisions lower. i.e., M7/F7, M5/F5 and M4/F4.
- Athletes in divisions M5 or F5 may be combined with athletes no more than one age division above or two age divisions below i.e., M6/F6, M4/F4 and M3/F3.
- Athletes in divisions M4 or F4 may be combined with athletes no more than two age divisions above or two age divisions below i.e., M5/F5, M6/F6, M3/F3 and M2/F2.
- Athletes in divisions M3 or F3 may be combined with athletes no more than two age divisions above or two age divisions below i.e., M4/F4, M5/F5, M1/F1 and M2/F2.
- Athletes in age divisions M2 or F2 may only be combined with athletes two age divisions above and one age division below i.e., M3/F3, M4/F4 and M1/F1.
- Athletes in age divisions M1 or F1 may only be combined with athletes in two age divisions above i.e., M2/F2 and M3/F3.

Age Division	Higher Age Division	Lower Age Division	Age Span
F1/M1	F2/M2, F3/M3	Not applicable	30-44
F2/M2	F3/M3, F4/M4	F1/M1	30-49
F3/M3	F4/M4, F5/M5	F1/M1, F2/M2	30-54
F4/M4	F5/M5, F6/M6	F2/M2, F3/M3	35-59
F5/M5	F6/M6	F3/M3, F4/M4	40-59
F6/M6	F7/M7	F4/M4, F5/M5	45-64
F7/M7	F8/M8	F6/M6	55-69
F8/M8	F9/M9	F7/M7	60-70+
F9/M9	Not applicable	F8/M8	65-70+

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#### **DRAW FOR VETERANS**

The draw for the individual weight categories will take place at 19.00 hours on the day before the competition. Information on the exact location of the individual weight category draws will be displayed on the event official notice board. There is no seeding for this event.

A complete list of athletes who have successfully fulfilled the weight requirements will be displayed outside the room where the official draw will take place a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the draw starting.

Team officials from each country (or individual athletes) must check this list to ensure that all their athletes are on the list in the correct age division and weight category. The IJF Veterans Commission take no responsibility for someone who is not included in the draw because they were missing from the list, and no one from the delegation checked.

#### **WEIGH-IN**

The weigh-in will take place the day before the competition as indicated in the programme There is no random weigh-in for veterans.

#### **OFFICIAL JUDOGI**

Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white and blue) from one of the following official suppliers can be found here: www.ijf.org/supplier-list.

The jacket and trousers must have a red or green IJF official label and the belt must have a red, green or blue IJF official label.

For further information on the judogi rules please refer to the IJF SOR (www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/25).

The judogi control will be done before each contest.

#### **OFFICIAL IJF BACKNUMBER**

Each athlete is obliged to have sewn on the back of his judogi a backnumber bearing their last (family) name and the NOC abbreviation. If the country does not have a NOC then the three letter country code recognised by the IJF must be used.

The last (family) name (and any part of their given (first) name) on the back number must have the same letters as that registered in **Judobase** as this database provides the accreditation cards, athlete name on TV graphics and scoreboard etc. The top of the backnumber must be fixed horizontally and centrally three (3) cm from the bottom of the collar.



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The backnumber can only be ordered from www.officialbacknumber.com or www.mybacknumber.com and must comply with the current IJF judogi regulations which can be found in the IJF SOR.

**NOTE:** It is the responsibility of the judoka to comply with the IJF rules.

#### **SEWING SERVICE**

The LOC will provide delegations with a sewing service. They have the right to charge for this service. The place, time and rate (if applicable) will be communicated to delegations on the event's official notice boards. In case of non-respect of the place and persons providing this service to the delegations, the LOC, in agreement with the IJF, may refuse this service to those who were disrespectful.

#### **COMPETITION SYSTEM FOR VETERANS**

The type of competitions system to be applied in the competition will depend on the number of entries as follows:

Competition systems according to number of participants:

- 6 and more entries: double repechage
- 3, 4, 5 entries: round robin
- 2 entries: best of 2 contests, if 1-1 the third contest will decide.

In case the number of participants in a category is not sufficient, (age and/or weight) categories will be combine according to IJF **SOR**. All the contests in any one age division will be held on the same day.

The IJF do not have team events for veterans. If other organisations choose to hold team events the rules should be clearly defined in the event outlines.

### **ROUND ROBIN GOLDEN SCORE**

If a round robin contest goes into golden score, an athlete can hold osaekomi-waza until for ippon.

#### **AWARDING CEREMONY FOR VETERANS**

Medals will only be awarded to athletes who fought in the category. The number of athletes competing determines the eventual medal allocation.

The medal distribution rule is as follows:

- One athlete no medal will be awarded (the athlete will receive a participation medal from IJF. There will be no flag, national anthem during this awarding ceremony).
- Two athletes two medals awarded.
- Three athletes three medals awarded.
- Four athletes four medals awarded.
- Five athletes four medals awarded.
- Six or more athletes four medals awarded.

If a category has been combined the only medals awarded will be the one set of medals for the athletes in that combined category.



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Awards for the recognition of exemplary behaviour that promotes the spirit of judo and/or fair play may be awarded at the discretion of the IJF Veterans Commission.

Athletes must attend the medal ceremony barefoot, without any hat, cap or any similar head covering and wearing their IJF approved white judogi that conforms to the IJF judogi rules with special attention being paid to the publicity rule. If it is not clean, then they must wear a reserve judogi.

It is strictly prohibited for athletes on the podium to have national flags or similar items other than those on their judogi. Any demonstration with religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited. Each athlete who has won a medal must be present at the ceremony to receive their medal personally. Any athlete who is absent from the awards ceremony without a good reason may forfeit the medal.

#### **REFEREES**

Referees will be nominated by the IJF Referee Commission and IJF Veterans Referee Director.

Referee meeting: A meeting will take place on **Sunday 03 November 2024 at 19:00** and attendance at this meeting is compulsory for all referees. This meeting location will be located at the host hotel.

### REFEREE TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION COSTS

The national federations, or individual nominated referees, will be responsible for their own travel expenses.

The LOC will provide a twin occupancy (2 separate beds) room and full board for nominated referees.

Accommodation is provided from 02 November to 08 November 2024, additional nights out with these dates must be paid for.



### **INFORMATION FOR MEDIA**

### **EVENTS DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE: https://www.ijf.org/competition/2855**

### PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

### 1. DEADLINES FOR MEDIA

Days before Competition day 1	Deadline	Action
105	27 July 2024	Visa application (with passport photocopies)*
8	27 October 2024	http://ijfmedia.datastat.si

<sup>\*</sup>All media representatives must have the necessary documents to enter the host country, including a visa if necessary.

All requests are subject to approval by the IJF and the LOC, so the inscription is not a guaranty to be accredited. All accreditation requests coming after the deadline will be refused.

#### 2. PARTICIPATION RULES

- Inscribe in the IJF media platform https://my.ijf.org/media/info
- Register at open events from the event list https://my.ijf.org/media/events
- If you have any problems, you can contact administrators on the form https://my.ijf.org/media/contact
- Accommodation and local transport is the responsibility of each media participant.

### 3. 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 (IJF SOR, www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/24) and the IJF Anti-Doping Rules (https://www.ijf.org/cleanjudo/133), as well as the media protocol in place on spot. 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. 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 SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) or its variants or communicable disease related costs, including repatriation.

The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from



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the travelling to and the participation in this event nor any claims relating to the cancellation of the event or medical costs related to illness, due to SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) or its variants or other communicable disease(s), that may affect a media participant during the event.

The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event nor 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.

#### **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.

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#### **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.

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



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