

INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION



EVENT OUTLINES

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2026

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INDIVIDUALS and MIXED TEAMS

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@MariusVizer

Dear judo family, dear distinguished guests,

I welcome you back to the city of Baku in beautiful Azerbaijan, and to the World Championships 2026 Individuals and Mixed Teams. This is a city accustomed to the challenges of staging such an event, as the 2018 edition was also hosted here. It was a resounding success then and so we continue to enjoy this momentum. With an organising team experienced and ready, we will deliver a spectacular championship.

This is a country of judo with fans who have cheered tirelessly for the planet's most courageous and skilled judoka at every level of event, from cadets to seniors. All tournaments held in this incredible city, a true gateway to the world, are received with passion, respect and friendship.

Azerbaijan's government continues to support the sport of judo, investing heavily in education, development and excellence. With consistent high standards of hospitality and organisation, every coach, volunteer, athlete and referee can focus on producing their very best work in a perfect environment. So, this promises to be a spectacular display of the finest judo and a showcase of the will and determination of our athletes as they work hard to step on to the first world level podium of this new Olympic qualification period.

We wish all delegations and visitors a wonderful experience. Welcome to Baku! Welcome to the World Judo Championships 2026!

Yours in judo,

Mr Marius L. VIZER
President
International Judo Federation



Dear Judo Family, dear friends,

On behalf of the Azerbaijan Judo Federation, I am pleased to welcome you to Baku on the occasion of the World Judo Championships 2026.

First of all, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, His Excellency Mr Ilham Aliyev, for his continuous support for the development of sport in Azerbaijan and for creating the conditions that allow our country to host major international sporting events at a high level.

I would also like to thank the Ministry of Youth and Sport of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the National Olympic Committee of Azerbaijan for their constant support and cooperation throughout the preparation process.

Our special gratitude goes to the President of the International Judo Federation, Mr Marius Vizer, and to the International Judo Federation for their trust, support, and cooperation in bringing this important championship to Baku.

Hosting the World Judo Championships is a major responsibility for Azerbaijan. This event unites top athletes, coaches, officials, and the global judo community, serving as a key stage on the road to the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games.

Our goal is to deliver a professionally organized championship, ensuring excellent conditions for all participants, media, guests, and spectators. Azerbaijan's strong judo traditions and achievements — including at the Paris 2024 Olympics — have reinforced our place on the international judo map.

The Azerbaijan Judo Federation continues to invest in training, clubs, coach education, and accessibility, making judo one of the country's most popular sports and inspiring youth nationwide.

We warmly welcome the judo family to Baku, a city of rich history and modern infrastructure, experienced in hosting major events. We wish athletes success and all guests a pleasant stay.

The World Judo Championships Baku 2026 will further advance judo and strengthen international cooperation.

Rashad NABIYEV
President
Azerbaijan Judo Federation

EVENTS DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE: <https://www.ijf.org/competition/3151>

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.

To comply with data protection laws, these event outlines and related documents will be removed from the IJF website 60 days after the event officially concludes (including departure days). If you require copies after this date, please contact sport@ijf.org.

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2. DEADLINES FOR DELEGATIONS

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before Competition day 1	Deadline	Action
45	20 August 2026	Hotel first reservation
45	20 August 2026	Visa application (with passport photocopies)*
20	14 September 2026	Hotel final reservation and full payment
20	14 September 2026	Arrival and departure information uploaded to my.ijf.org
14	14 September 2026 (23:59 CET)	Full refund in case of hotel cancellation
15	19 September 2026	Event inscription (Judobase)

*Entry letters and visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in **Judobase**.

3. PARTICIPATION RULES AND INSCRIPTION OF DELEGATES

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 4 Entries and Accreditation.

All participating delegates must have a valid IJF card and be inscribed in **Judobase** by their national federation.

The confirmation of the delegation list is the full responsibility of the national federation. In case of unforeseen delay of arrival or changes/cancellation from the event the national federation must inform both the IJF (registration@ijf.org) and the LOC (office@judo.az).

A team delegate must attend accreditation to confirm the entries of all athletes and officials with a signature on the delegation confirmation list. A delayed appearance or no-show at accreditation may result in the exclusion of all participants from the draw and the event.

For the individual competition (IJF SOR Rule 4.4 Number of Entries):

Only athletes ranked number 1-100* in the IJF Seniors WRL, and athletes ranked number 1-16* in the IJF Juniors WRL, can take part, each national federation is allowed to enter:

- Up to 9 entries for women with maximum 2 athletes per category.
- Up to 9 entries for men with maximum 2 athletes per category.

The host country may enter:

- Up to 9 entries for women with maximum 2 athletes per category, regardless of WRL position.
- Up to 9 entries for men with maximum 2 athletes per category, regardless of WRL position.

Organisers of World Championships Seniors (especially cities and regions) could have additional wild cards for their local and regional athletes, not affecting quotas of the national federation. The number of athletes proposed by the LOC will be agreed by the IJF Head Sport Director. These athletes do not necessarily need to be ranked within the top 1-100 of the IJF Seniors WRL. However, from the host country only the best results from 9 men and 9 women will be considered for the IJF Seniors WRL.

*Equally ranked athletes can all participate.

The lists of qualified athletes used for qualification and seeding can be found here

(<https://www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/26>) immediately after the following dates:

- Seniors – IJF Seniors WRL of Monday 14 September 2026 (after Hungary Grand Slam 2026),
- Juniors – IJF Junior WRL (top 16) of Monday 14 September 2026 (after Junior Panamerican Cup Santo Domingo 2026)

The IJF World Ranking List Seniors, of Monday 14 September 2026 will be used for seeding.

For the mixed teams competition:

Any athlete (regardless of WRL ranking position), can take part.

Athletes who participate in the mixed teams competition only should be inscribed as judoka in the individual event in **Judobase**.

4. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

Name	Azerbaijan Judo Federation
Address/Telephone number	128 Azadlig ave. Narimanov dist., AZ1106, Baku, Azerbaijan / +9945584717 30
Website	www.judo.az
Email	office@judo.az

5. LOC EVENT CONTACTS

Accommodation	Ms Farida ISMAYILOVA	accommodation@judo.az	+994704016084
General Enquiries	Mr Kamran TALIBOV	office@judo.az	+994558471730
Transport	Mr Orkhan MAMMADOV	transport@judo.az	+994702269191
Training	Ms Farida ISMAYILOVA	training@judo.az	+994704016084
Visa	Mr Kamran YAHYAYEV	visa@judo.az	+994516331162
Emergency (24 hours, English-speaking)	Mr Kamran TALIBOV	office@judo.az	+994558471730

PAY ATTENTION TO FRAUDULENT EMAILS.
USE ONLY THE EMAIL ADDRESSES FROM THE OFFICIAL OUTLINES.

6. COMPETITION VENUE

Name	National Gymnastics Arena
Address	Heydar Aliyev Avenue 108, AZ 1029. Passage: Koroghlu» underground station
Website	https://agf.az/en/
Seats for spectators	6,000
Tickets	https://iticket.az/en/events/sport/2026-senior-world-judo-championships

7. TRANSPORT

Please refer to IJF **SOR 2.8.2** Transportation.

Travel information must be uploaded to **my.ijf.org** according to the hotel reservation arrival and departure dates. If the delegation misses the transport deadline and travel information is not uploaded airport, train or bus station transfers are NOT guaranteed and a fee may be charged by the LOC.

Please note that, land borders of Azerbaijan are closed. The entry point must be the Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD).

Transfers for this event will be arranged from/to:			
Airport	Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD)		
Deadline	14 September 2026		
Transport contact	Mr Orkhan MAMMADOV	transport@judo.az	+994702269191

8. PROGRAMME

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Friday 02 October 2026	14:00 - 20:00	Accreditation	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 18:30	Judogi and backnumber pre-control. Open: all athletes	
Saturday 03 October 2026	09:00 - 12:00	Accreditation	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	14:00	Draw	Online
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 1 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w: -48 kg, m: -60 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 1 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
Sunday 04 October 2026	Competition Day 1 - w: -48 kg, m: -60 kg		
	11:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 2 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w: -52 kg, m: -66 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 2 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena
Monday 05 October 2026	Competition Day 2 - w: -52 kg, m: -66 kg		
	10:00	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 3 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w:-57 kg, m: -73 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 3 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	16:30	Opening ceremony	National Gymnastics Arena
18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)		
Tuesday 06 October 2026	Competition Day 3 - w: -57 kg, m: -73 kg		
	10:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 4 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w:-63 kg, m: -81 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 4 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena

Wednesday 07 October 2026	Competition Day 4 - w: -63 kg, m: -81 kg		
	10:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 5 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w:-70 kg, m: -90 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 5 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena
Thursday 08 October 2026	Competition Day 5 - w: -70 kg, m: -90 kg		
	10:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 6 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w:-78 kg, m: -100 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 6 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena
Friday 09 October 2026	Competition Day 6 - w: -78 kg, m: -100 kg		
	10:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for day 7 athletes	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in w:+78 kg, m: +100 kg	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Open: all athletes Obligatory: day 7 athletes (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena
Saturday 10 October 2026	Competition Day 7 - w: +78 kg, m: +100 kg		
	11:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for mixed teams	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in for mixed teams	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Obligatory: mixed teams (If you have not already passed the control)	
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	National Gymnastics Arena
Sunday 11 October 2026	Competition Day 8 - Mixed Teams		
	09:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests)	

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

9. ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

Please refer to IJF **SOR** rule 2.8.1 Visas.

The LOC can provide official documentation such as letters of invitation or confirmation of participation to support visa application only for people who are inscribed in **Judobase** for the event.

The decision to grant a visa rests solely with the relevant immigration authorities. Athletes and officials are responsible for ensuring compliance with the visa requirements of the host country.

Entry rules may be subject to change, the current information can be found here: <https://evisa.gov.az/en/>

E-visa application system can be found here: <https://evisa.gov.az/en/>

It is highly recommended to get visas via e-visa portal or send an invitation request to Azerbaijan Judo Federation, rather than applying visa procedures at Baku airport. The countries that are not listed in drop down menu of the e-visa web portal (<https://evisa.gov.az/en/>) need to send request letter to Azerbaijan Judo Federation minimum **two (2) months** in advance prior the event. Entry permissions to the countries (that are not listed in the e-visa portal) are granted through the different government authorities. Due to that reason, it is not issued as fast as e-visas obtained from the portal.

Please note that, land borders of Azerbaijan are closed. The entry point must be the Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD).

Complete the form	Baku WCS 2026 Form Visa		
Deadline	20 August 2026		
Visa contact	Mr Kamran YAHYAYEV	visa@judo.az	+994516331162

10. 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 1	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard		
Address 1	Khagani Rustamov Street, 4C Khatai District, Baku 1010		
Training venue 2	Sport Plaza Hotel & Apartments		
Address 2	Building 187C, 115 Heydar Aliyev Ave, Baku 1029		
Training dates	Friday 02 October - Saturday 10 October 2026		
Training times	09:00 - 21:00		
Booking	training@judo.az		
Contact	Ms Farida ISMAYILOVA	training@judo.az	+994704016084

11. ACCOMMODATION

Please refer to IJF **SOR 2.8.3** 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 LOC via **my.ijf.org** (not directly with the hotel or forms).

MAKE SURE THAT YOUR ROOM IS BOOKED ACCORDING TO YOUR TRAVEL INFORMATION (CHECK-IN IS AT 14:00/15:00)
e.g., flight arrives at 00:30hrs on the 03rd October, the room should be booked from the 02nd October.

Booking platform	my.ijf.org		
Deadline first reservation	20 August 2026		
Deadline final reservation and full payment	14 September 2026		
Accommodation contact	Ms Farida ISMAYILOVA	accommodation@judo.az	+994704016084

VIP HOTEL

If a national federation President is accompanying the team, he/she can be accommodated at the VIP hotel or the delegation hotel.

VIP hotel	The Ritz Carlton
Address	3 Babek Avenue, Nasimi District, Baku, AZ1025
Phone	+994 12 460 77 77
Website	https://www.ritzcarlton.com/
Price per person per night	Please contact the LOC (accommodation@judo.az)

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	21.7	00:20
Sport hall	9	00:11

DELEGATION HOTELS

The following packages are available in the delegation hotels:

Bed and breakfast includes breakfast at the hotel.

Half board includes breakfast and dinner at the hotel.

Full board includes breakfast and dinner at the hotel and lunch at the hotel or sport hall*.

* IF YOU CHOOSE TO HAVE LUNCH AT THE SPORTS HALL ON COMPETITION DAYS, YOU MUST RESERVE IT DURING ACCREDITATION.

CATEGORY A - Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard	
Address	4C Khagani Rustamov str., Baku, 1010
Phone	+994123100010
Website	www.marriott.com
Check-in time	14:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	Before 07:00 requires 100% of the room rate Between 07:00 - 11:00 requires 50% of the room rate
Late check-out	Between 15:00 - 18:00 requires 50% of the room rate After 18:00 requires 100% of the room rate
Air-conditioning	Yes (free)
Gym	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: **euro**

CATEGORY A - Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard	Bed & breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	230	260	290
Twin	155	185	215
Lunch at the competition venue	30		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	24	00:30
Training venue	Same hotel	
Accreditation	Same hotel	
Draw	The draw will be held online: www.judotv.com	
Judogi pre-control and weigh in	Same hotel	
Sport hall	9.9	00:45

CATEGORY B - Wyndham Baku Hotel	
Address	Alasgar Gayibov str.12, Baku 1106
Phone	+994125670077
Website	https://www.wyndhamhotels.com
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	Before 07:00 requires 100% of the room rate Between 07:00 - 11:00 requires 50% of the room rate
Late check-out	Between 15:00 - 18:00 requires 50% of the room rate After 18:00 requires 100% of the room rate
Air-conditioning	Yes (free)
Gym	Yes
Wi-Fi	Yes (free)
Room service	Yes
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

All prices are per person per night in: **euro**

CATEGORY B - Wyndham Baku Hotel	Bed & breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	210	240	270
Twin	130	160	190
Lunch at the competition venue	30		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	24	00:30
Training venue	Same hotel	
Accreditation	16.2	00:35
Draw	The draw will be held online: www.judotv.com	
Judogi pre-control and weigh in	16.2	00:35
Sport hall	8	00:20

CATEGORY C - Sport Plaza Hotel & Apartments	
Address	Building 187C, 115 Heydar Aliyev Ave, Baku, 1029
Phone	+994125650555
Website	https://www.instagram.com/sport.plaza_hotel.apartments/?hl=en
Check-in time	14:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	Before 07:00 requires 100% of the room rate Between 07:00 - 11:00 requires 50% of the room rate
Late check-out	Between 15:00 - 18:00 requires 50% of the room rate After 18:00 requires 100% of the room rate
Air-conditioning	Yes (Free)
Gym	No
Wi-Fi	Yes (Free)
Room service	No
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

All prices are per person per night in: **euro**

CATEGORY C - Sport Plaza Hotel & Apartments	Bed & breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	120	145	170
Twin	100	125	150
Triple / quadruple*	90	115	140
Lunch at the competition venue	30		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required		

* WCs in triple and quadruple rooms are attached to the rooms, but the entrances are from the corridor.

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	16	00:20
Training venue	Same hotel	
Accreditation	11.8	00:30
Draw	The draw will be held online: www.judotv.com	
Judogi pre-control and weigh in	11.8	00:30
Sport hall	0.8	00:15

PAYMENT

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 bank fees and bank transfer costs must be paid by the participating national federation to the following bank:

Beneficiary's Name	Azerbaijan Judo Federation Public Union
Bank Name	International Bank of Azerbaijan-Yasamal branch
Tax ID	2001048461
Bank Address	Inshaatchilar ave., 14, 533 Baku, Azerbaijan
IBAN	AZ64IBAZ40190019789330374216
SWIFT	IBAZAZ2X
Correspondent Bank	Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt am Main 400 88 66030 01 EUR SWIFT: COBADEFFXXX
Payment Reference	Baku Judo WCS 2026, Country name 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. Delegations must ensure that all bank charges are paid at their end so that the LOC receive the correct amount of funds without any deductions. Delegation must have proof of the bank transfer, upon arrival.

In the case of non-payment to the LOC, the national federation concerned will not be allowed to register to competitions until the debt is settled.

If rooms are cancelled the LOC has the right to charge as follows:	
No refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid from 14 days before start of competition	20 September 2026 23:59 CET

12. MEDALS AND PRIZE MONEY (800,000 euro)

First place - Gold medal and 26,000 euro (judoka: 20,800 euro and coach 5,200 euro)

Second place - Silver medal and 15,000 euro (judoka: 12,000 euro and coach 3,000 euro)

Third places (x2) - Bronze medals and 8,000 euro for each (judoka: 6,400 euro and coach 1,600 euro)

IMPORTANT: For prize money to be paid each medallist must bring a copy of their passport and their personal tax number to the awarding ceremony. Prize money will be given to the athletes who are then responsible to give 20% to their coach.

13. DOPING CONTROL

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Doping control will include: seven (7) men and seven (7) women.

Pursuant to WADA ISTI Art. 5.4.4, prior to doping control, athletes can take part in the awarding ceremony and fulfil their press commitments or receive medical treatment if needed.

The selected competitors will be constantly accompanied by an official chaperone (appointed by the organising committee) from the time of notification until arriving at the doping control station. A person of the athletes' choice (team doctor, coach, trainer, delegation head etc.) may accompany them. IJF keep the right to test any participating athlete beyond the above selection during an event.

All additional tests are deemed in-competition tests. At its own discretion IJF may allow Testing Authorities to conduct out-of-competition tests as well.

14. POST EVENT SURVEY

After each event a questionnaire will be sent for your constructive comments and feedback on how to improve the next edition of the event. You can also email sport@ijf.org

15. GENERAL INFORMATION

INSURANCE AND CIVIL LIABILITY

Please refer to IJF **SOR** 1.3 Insurance and Civil Liability.

CONSENT FOR USE OF DATA/PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOS/FILMING

Please refer to IJF **SOR** 2.8.5 Consent for use of data/photography/videos/filming.

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, then the national federation must inform the International Judo Federation by writing to registration@ijf.org.

ACCOMMODATION

The minimum reservation for a delegation is two (2) nights multiplied by the total number of people inscribed in **Judobase**. The referee nominated by the IJF is not included in this calculation.

The national federation President and the referee nominated by the IJF are not included in this calculation.

Example:

4 people inscribed in **Judobase** (no referee) = 4 x 2 nights = 8 nights or more must be reserved

17 people inscribed in **Judobase** (including 1 referee) = (17-1) x 2 = 32 nights or more must be reserved

The hotel prices are not guaranteed after the reservation deadline and delegations requesting accommodation late may be subject to a price increase.

This rule does not apply to the host national federation delegates.

ACCREDITATION

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

A team delegate must attend accreditation to confirm the entries of all athletes and officials with a signature on the delegation confirmation list. A delayed appearance or no-show may result in the exclusion of all participants from the draw and the event.

For each official team member from a national delegation (athletes, coach, team official, doctor etc.) an accreditation card is issued by the IJF during accreditation.

A delegate should never wear another delegate'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 delegate for all security and access controls. This card contains: last (family) name, first (given) name, country, IJF ID number, a picture and for athletes their weight category and WRL position.

Quota for officials for accreditations (includes team officials, coaches, doctors and physiotherapists):

- One – four (1-4) competitors = three (3) officials.
- Five – nine (5-9) competitors = five (5) officials.
- 10 or more competitors = seven (7) officials.

The accreditations for national federation President, referee and judoka are not included in the above calculation.

The fee for additional team official(s) (who must be inscribed in **Judobase**) is 100 USD per accreditation, to be paid to the LOC.

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

COMPETITION RULES

System of competition: quarter-final (last 8) repechage, duration of contests: four (4) minutes (real time).

Weight categories: 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

DRAW AND SEEDING

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 5 Draw.

Up to a maximum of the top eight athletes among the entered athletes in each weight category will be seeded based on their IJF WRL position. The draw will be held online: **www.judotv.com**

OFFICIAL JUDOGI AND BACKNUMBER

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Appendix C IJF Judogi rules.

Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white and blue) with a backnumber bearing their last (family) name and National Olympic Committee (NOC) abbreviation as that registered in **Judobase**.

The list of official judogi and backnumber suppliers can be found here: www.ijf.org/supplier-list.

JUDOGI AND BACKNUMBER PRE-CONTROL

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Appendix C IJF Judogi rules.

The IJF will arrange a judogi and backnumber pre-control starting two days before the first competition day, until the day before the last competition day. For this purpose, the competitors should wear their judogi with the belt tightened.

Athletes must show up for the backnumber pre-control. If they fail to do so, without a valid reason, the athlete will not be allowed to have a coach in the chair.

Only if the judogi are compliant with the IJF rules sponsor labels will be given.

The backnumber and publicity should comply with the current IJF judogi regulations.

White judogi: IJF sponsor / Blue judogi: LOC sponsor

JUDOGI CONTROL

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Appendix C IJF Judogi rules.

Judogi control takes place on the day of the competition and will be done before each contest.

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.

WEIGH-IN

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 6 Official weigh-in.

The weigh-in will be carried out in accordance with the IJF **SOR**. The official weigh-in for athletes will be scheduled the day before the competition (see event programme).

WORLD RANKING POINTS

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 3 IJF World Ranking Lists.

An athlete is in the competition only once they pass the official weigh-in.

If an athlete passes the official weigh-in and is alone in the category he/she will get the participation ranking points, if applicable.

Any athlete who does not come to the tatami for a contest will have a line put through his/her name on the draw sheet. His/her opponent must come to the tatami and bow. He/she will be declared the winner by fusen-gachi and WRL points will be given.

COACHING

Coaches nominated by their national federations should respect the IJF Code of Ethics and IJF **SOR**. Any coaches not adhering to these rules could be subject to disciplinary action.

AWARDING CEREMONY

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** rule 8.10 Awarding Ceremonies.

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 and prize money.

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.

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.

Athletes must also be available for interview after the last awarding ceremony if requested by the IJF Media Team.

After each day of competition photos will be uploaded on the IJF website: **www.ijf.org/galleries**. These photos are rights-free and can be downloaded and used by anyone: athletes, coaches, national federations, press and media etc.

MIXED TEAMS COMPETITION

EVENTS DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE: <https://www.ijf.org/competition/3325>

1. MIXED TEAMS PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	
Friday 02 October 2026	14:00 - 20:00	Accreditation	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
Saturday 03 October 2026	09:00 - 12:00	Accreditation	Baku Marriott Hotel Boulevard
	14:00	Draw for individuals and mixed teams	Online
Saturday 10 October 2026	15:20 - 15:50	Unofficial weigh-in for mixed teams	National Gymnastics Arena
	16:00 - 16:30	Weigh-in for mixed teams	
	16:10 - 17:40	Judogi and backnumber pre-control Obligatory: mixed teams (If you have not already passed the control)	
Sunday 11 October 2026	Competition Day 8 - Mixed Teams		
	09:30	Preliminaries	National Gymnastics Arena
	18:00	Final block (Gold and bronze medal contests) Bronze contest on (2) two mats	

*Start time to be confirmed once the final number of teams is known.

2. MIXED TEAMS PARTICIPATION

Each national federation can inscribe one (1) team.

All teams must be inscribed in **Judobase** (yes/no only, athlete names are not needed until accreditation).

Any athlete (regardless of WRL ranking position), who fulfil the participation rules, is able to take part.

Athletes who participate in the mixed teams competition only should be inscribed as judoka in the individual event in **Judobase**.

Event inscription deadline: **Saturday 19 September 2026 23:59 CET**.

The final list of a maximum 12 competitors per team will be confirmed at accreditation on **Saturday 03 October 2026**.

3. MIXED TEAMS COMPETITION RULES

System of competition: quarter-final (last 8) repechage, duration of contests: four (4) minutes (real time).

Weight categories:

- Women: -57 kg, -70 kg, +70 kg
- Men: -73 kg, -90 kg, +90 kg

4. MIXED TEAMS DRAW AND SEEDING

Up to a maximum of the top eight (8) mixed teams will be seeded based on their IJF WRL position. The draw will be held online: www.judotv.com

5. MIXED TEAMS OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN

The weigh-in will be carried out in accordance with the IJF SOR. The official weigh-in for athletes will be scheduled the day before the competition (see mixed teams programme for times).

Before the start of the official weigh-in the coach can update the mixed team list.

The athletes must be within the weight limits of the category in which they are inscribed.

If the mixed team event follows an individual competition, the following rules apply:

Athletes competing on the final day of the individual event, who are registered in the plus mixed team categories, do not need to weigh in for the mixed teams.

All athletes in the minus mixed team categories MUST weigh in. A +5% weight tolerance will be given for athletes who competed in the preceding individual competition (they must have passed the weigh in for the individual competition) and NO tolerance for athletes who are only inscribed for the mixed team competition or who did not pass the official weigh in for the preceding individual competition.

If an athlete competing in the final block of the final day of the individual event is registered in the minus mixed team categories, he must weigh in. For these cases the IJF Sport Commission will schedule the weigh-in one (1) hour before the start of the mixed teams competition.

Weigh-in categories for mixed team competition with +5% tolerance			
Senior mixed team	- 57 kg	Women	Up to including 59.9 kg
	- 73 kg	Men	Up to including 76.7 kg
	- 70 kg	Women	Over 57.0 kg up to including 73.5 kg
	- 90 kg	Men	Over 73.0 kg up to including 94.5 kg
	+ 70 kg	Women	Over 70.0 kg
	+ 90 kg	Men	Over 90.0 kg

During seniors mixed teams' competitions each athlete is entitled to compete in their own weight category or in the next higher category.

6. MIXED TEAMS REGULATIONS

Each team must consist of up to six (6) athletes (3 women and 3 men) and has the possibility to have up to six (6) reserves (3 women and 3 men).

At the time of mixed team confirmation at the accreditation, the delegation must have a full team entered. This means a minimum of 1 athlete per mixed team category. A maximum of 12 athletes can be entered, with a maximum of two (2) athletes per category.

If injuries or illness occur after the draw or during the competition a mixed team will be allowed to compete with a minimum of four (4) athletes.

During seniors mixed teams' competitions each athlete is entitled to compete in their own weight category or in the next higher category. If the event follows an individual competition, the composition of the mixed team must be confirmed by the delegation to the IJF Sport Commission by 13:00 local time on the day prior to the mixed team competition. After confirmation, the list can be updated up to one (1) hour after the end of the final block only for the athletes competing on the last day of the individual competition can be updated.

After the draw of the mixed team event, a further draw will decide the starting category for the first round. The following rounds will start with the next category in the sequence.

Two (2) coaches and one (1) doctor per team will be allowed to enter the field of play. Athletes should enter the field of play in the order that they will compete in.

During the contests, the mixed team athletes must stay within a marked area on the field of play. Reserve athletes must not enter the field of play.

Weigh-in rules: Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 6.

Before each match the team leader must select the athletes for each contest. From the maximum of two (2) athletes inscribed in each category he can select one.

If the team has the possibility to put an inscribed athlete in a category, he must do so. An athlete cannot be rested for one match and return for the next unless they have been replaced by the other inscribed athlete.

If the team has no athlete in a category, they should select the "no competitor" option.

If the wrong athlete goes to the tatami for a contest that is not his own he will be disqualified, and the opponent he was initially supposed to meet will win by fusen gachi.

For the first round the lists must be returned at least 30 minutes before the start of the competition. For other rounds it must be returned 5 minutes after receiving the list from the IJF Sport Commission. Once it is returned to the IJF Sport Commission it cannot be changed.

Duration of each contest: women four (4) minutes and men four (4) minutes (real time).

After the team bow the byes are displayed on the scoreboard and wins are given.

- Example: If one team has one category empty: 1:0
- Example: if both teams have a different category empty: 1:1
- Example: if both teams have the same category empty: 0:0 (this is the only case when we stop a match when a team has reached 3 wins).

These byes are skipped later, no player needs to return to the tatami to bow again if there is no contest to be fought.

The first team reaching the majority of wins (4) is declared the winner. The remaining contests will not be fought.

If during the match, in one contest, an athlete enters the tatami and refuses to compete, he will be given a direct hansoku-make (cannot continue in competition) and the opponent will be declared the winner.

The losing athlete cannot continue in the next rounds. The team of the losing athlete can continue in the next round if applicable.

If one team does not arrive for a match, the other team will be declared the winner. They are considered out of competition and cannot return for a later match (if applicable).

If there are an equal number of wins at the end of the match, there is a draw for the weight category that will compete in a golden score contest (see table below) to decide the winning team. The draw is done by computer and displayed on the athlete and public (big screen) scoreboards. If the public scoreboard is not available the coaches or the teams should be invited to watch the computer monitor when the draw is taking place.

	Draw for golden score contest scenario	Action
1	Both teams have “no competitor” in the same category	Category is removed from the draw
2	One team has “no competitor” or after the regular contest an athlete is unable to continue (injured, ill, direct hansoku-make cannot continue in competition etc.)	Category remains in the draw and the win is given directly to the other team
3	In the regular contest both athletes given an indirect hansoku-make (3 shido) or a direct hansoku-make (can continue in competition)	Category remains in the draw
4	In the regular contest both athletes given a direct hansoku-make (cannot continue in competition)	Category is removed from the draw

If there is a double hansoku-make during the golden score contest the following rules will be respected:

	Scenario	Action
1	Both athletes given an indirect hansoku-make (3 shido) in the golden score contest	Category is included in a new draw for another golden score contest
2	Both athletes given a direct hansoku-make (can continue in competition) in the in the golden score contest	Category is included in a new draw for another golden score contest
3	Both athletes given a direct hansoku-make (cannot continue in competition) in the golden score contest	Category is removed and there is a new draw for another golden score contest

The IJF Ad Hoc Commission will decide the consequences in any situation that may result in a whole team being disqualified.

7. MIXED TEAMS MEDALS AND PRIZE MONEY (200,000 euro)

First place - Gold medals and 90,000 euro (judoka: 72,000 euro and coach 18,000 euro)

Second place - Silver medal and 60,000 euro (judoka: 48,000 euro and coach 12,000 euro)

Third places (x2) - Bronze medals and 25,000 euro for each (judoka: 20,000 euro and coach 5,000 euro)

IMPORTANT: Prize money will be given to the mixed teams who are then responsible to give 20% to their coach.

8. MIXED TEAMS DOPING CONTROL

At the mixed teams event doping control will include:

One (1) member of the gold medal winning team and one (1) member of the other medal winning teams; the choice of the weight categories is made by a draw (2 tests in total). In the case of non-contestation of the selected weight category the immediate superior or immediate inferior weight category of the same team will be tested.

The draw is carried out in accordance with the IJF Anti-doping Rules and the IJF SOR during the competition before the start of the final block on the first competition day.

Competitors must report to the doping control station immediately after signing the notification form. Pursuant to WADA ISTI Art. 5.4.4, prior to doping control, athletes can take part in the awarding ceremony and fulfil their press commitments or receive medical treatment if needed.

The selected competitors will be constantly accompanied by an official chaperone (appointed by the organising committee) from the time of notification until arriving at the doping control station.

A person of the athletes' choice (team doctor, coach, trainer, delegation head etc.) may accompany them. IJF keep the right to test any participating athlete beyond the above selection during an event. All additional tests are deemed in-competition tests.

At its own discretion IJF may allow Testing Authorities to conduct out-of-competition tests as well.

INFORMATION FOR MEDIA

EVENTS DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE: <https://www.ijf.org/competition/3151>

1. DEADLINES FOR MEDIA

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before Competition day 1	Deadline	Action
7	27 September 2026	https://my.ijf.org/media/info

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>
- 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 (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.

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 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 that may affect a 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.

Proper attire is required, especially for media working matside. Shorts and head coverings are not permitted on the field of play. Religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited for everyone on the field of play.

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 8.9 Media.

Media are not allowed to access the warm-up area unless special access has been granted from the IJF.

Any member of the media who does not follow the above risks losing their accreditation and access to the competition.

ACCREDITATION

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

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 prior to the event.

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.

Replacement of lost or forgotten accreditation will be charged at 50 USD 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.

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



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