



## IAPS Judo Championships 2023 Rules – approved by British Judo

### Competition details

<b>Date</b>	Sunday April 30 2023
<b>Venue</b>	ACS International School, Egham, TW20 0HS
<b>Gender</b>	Boys and Girls in separate events on the same day
<b>Ages</b>	Junior: 8 – 13 years

**ENTRY capped at 300 players**

### Eligibility criteria

- Competitors must be aged between 8 and 13 years old (up to year 8 in school) and will be split into their respective age groups:
  - Boys aged 8-9
  - Boys aged 10-13 years (They will be indexed into groups)
  - Girls aged 8-13 years (Prep school ages)
- Competitors must be a minimum of 8 years old to compete.
- All competitors must attend an IAPS School.
- **All players should be weighed then entered online, through the IAPS website. There will be no weigh-in on the day. Coaches are trusted to weigh and coach rate their player, so groups are as fair as possible**
- The event is aimed at both experienced and inexperienced competitors so that they can compete in a safe and fun environment where winning is not the main priority. The overarching aims are to boost participation in the sport, at your school classes, at the IAPS event itself and more broadly within British Judo.
- An index system will be used at this event whereby players are pooled together in closest proximity to weight, age using DOB, level of experience and most importantly a COACH RATING system (See separate coach rating guidelines).

### Overall trophy

- Only players rated 4 and 5 will be able to score points for their respective school towards the overall trophy
- Gold = 5 Points                      Silver = 3 Points                      Bronze = 1 Point
- The overall trophy will be awarded at the end of the day. The top 3 schools will receive trophies

### Entry conditions

- Entries must be made via the [IAPS website](#).
- Each school may enter as many players as they like.
- Competitor details will be submitted through judo technologies.
- **No NATIONAL or AREA medallists** are allowed to enter this event – this is a development event for more inexperienced judoka. Please respect this and select players who really need this event so all competitors can enjoy their experience.

### Submitting your competitor details

- Competitor details must be submitted through Judo technologies.
- IAPS will provide the link for this at a later date.
- Final team entries must be submitted online by **April 21st 2023**.
- Details must be done in FULL and include coach rating, as well as weight, gender, age and date of birth etc. incomplete submissions will not be accepted.
- The coach rating score for individual players is designed to ensure the pools are as fair as possible so that every child gets the best possible experience on the day. Coaches, please be objective.

### Competition format

- Contests times will be 2 minutes with 1 minute golden score if required.
- If the match is still drawn, the referee will make a decision on who they feel has been the most attacking.
- The competition will be run as an individual event using pools for up to 5 players.
- All players will receive medals in their respective group.
- Each competitor will compete in their respective weight/age/ability (coach rating) categories.
- Index system to be used, pooling children of similar weight, age and ability (coach rating).

### Competition rules (BJA Development Pilot Rule Set)

- Team managers/coaches are asked to please attend a briefing on the day of competition.
- **All contests will be run to the following development levels rules for this event:**
- No drop techniques allowed
- No sutemi-waza allowed
- High five or fist pump prior to start of match (optional)
- In the first instance, the first score is to be Waz-ari unless a 'PERFECT' ippon- this is to enable the players to get more actual contest time (time on task)
- Referees are allowed to positively encourage and offer advice through the contest
- No coaching in the contest period except for in the matte period- referee to allow slightly more time in the matte period for this advice/coaching.
- No uranage or tani-o-toshi counter techniques allowed:

This is for two reasons:

1. To reduce injury to knee or ankle area and to prevent whiplash type landing
  2. To promote positive attacking judo where the onus is on the judoka to try and throw for ippon.
- No arm locks or strangles will be permitted.
  - Competitors must not wear any jewellery, hard objects or metal hair clips, and hair must be tied back.
  - The Referee in Charge may make amendments to the BJA rulings on the day of the event and is responsible for ensuring all players / school coaches are aware of such rule changes PRIOR to the competition commencing.
  - The area around the table officials must be kept clear at all times
  - Any disputes regarding the officiating must be brought to the attention of the referee in charge and/or the competition controller at the time
- Gum Shields**
- Gum shields may be worn providing that, in the opinion of the referee, the shield does not pose a risk of injury to either the player wearing the shield or their opponent.
  - The player wearing the shield is totally responsible for their own safety and where they consider necessary have received professional advice beforehand to establish that this is indeed the case.
  - The referee reserves the right to refuse the player the right to compete if they deem the shield to be inappropriate in any way.

### Competition awards

- Each weight group will have 5 medallists (gold, silver and three bronzes).
- A judo prize will be presented to the player who scores the 'ippon of the day' in each of the 3 sections
- A judo prize will be presented to the player who shows outstanding judo spirit- this will be linked to the judo moral code

### Equipment/Sportswear required by participants (on day of competition)

- Clean white judogis, which comply with IJF/BJA regulations, must be worn and provided by each competitor.
- School PE T-shirts may be worn by female competitors instead of the normal white. Male players can wear a school PE t-shirt if they wish.
- Blue and white belts.
- The playing surface is 42mm Linkamat judo matting.
- There will be at least 3 mat areas on the day of the competition- if entries are strong, we have capacity for 4 mat areas.

### Behaviour

- All competitors and coaches are asked to respect the vales of Judo, its moral code and play the sport in a competitive but fair way.
- The British Judo and IAPS Code of Conduct for competitors, parents, coaches and spectators must be adhered to at all times during the event.

### Disputes

- The Sport Organiser and Referee in charge will consult over any disputes. Their decision is final.

It is hoped that coaches will **not** challenge any decisions made by the referees- this is a development event for the young officials and mistakes WILL be made, this is the whole point in having junior officials, the ability for them to learn in this safe, non-judgemental, environment. Please respect the moral code of judo and show humility, honour and kindness.

### IAPS Event development aims

- To improve participation in judo within the schools attending.
- To boost participation numbers of girls practicing judo.
- To create a judo event that is a fantastic advert for judo and encourages and inspires children to want to do more judo, and perhaps a pathway into a local club
- For the event to be an outstanding experience for players, parents and coaches alike. To be a beacon of good practice and an opportunity for British Judo to look to this event as an example of what a development event should entail.
- For IAPS to be proud of, and promote this event within their schools.