

# 2021 USA Judo National and International Junior Olympic Championships

## IJF World Team Trials

June 18-19 National Competition  
June 20 International Competition

Held under the Sanction of USA JUDO (United States Judo, Inc.)

### EVENT INFORMATION PACKET

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| Hosted by:                    | Visit Winston-Salem  |
| Tournament Headquarters Hotel | Best Western Plus-University Inn<br>3050 University Parkway<br>Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105   |
| Competition Site:             | Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex<br>414 Deacon Blvd.<br>Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105   |
| Check-in                      | Thursday June 17: <b>See schedule of events for details</b>  |
| Weigh In                      | See Schedule of Events   |
| Competition Date:             | Friday June 18: regular national Bantam, Cadet and Intermediate<br>Saturday June 19: regular national Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories<br>Sunday June 20: all international categories |
| Tournament Director:          | <b>Contact the National Office for questions at 719.866.4730</b>   |
| Chief Referee                 | Gary Berliner  |

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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| <b>THURSDAY JUNE 17</b> |  |
| 8am-12pm                | Tournament Check In/registration for all national competitors. International competitors may check in at venue |
| 8am-12pm                | Weigh Ins for national regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet categories at venue                              |
| Approx. 3pm-4pm         | Categories posted for confirmation-regular Bantam, Intermediate & Cadet at Best Western                        |
| 5pm                     | Technical Officials Meeting at Best Western  |
| 6pm                     | Referee Meeting at Best Western  |
| 7pm                     | Coach Meeting at venue   |
| Approx. 7pm-8pm         | Draw for national regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet   |
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| <b>FRIDAY JUNE 18</b>   | ALL ACTIVITIES AT VENUE  |
| 7:30am                  | Venue doors open   |
| 7:45am                  | Referee meeting in Home & Garden Building  |
| 8:45am                  | Welcome Ceremony   |
| 9:00am                  | Competition start for regular Bantam, Intermediate & Cadet categories  |
| 11am-12pm               | Weigh In for national regular Juvenile, IJF and all Novice categories  |
| Approx. 3pm-4pm         | Categories posted for confirmation-regular Juvenile, IJF, all novice categories                                |
| Approx. 7pm-8pm         | Draw for regular Juvenile, IJF, Novice categories  |
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| <b>SATURDAY JUNE 19</b> | ALL ACTIVITIES AT VENUE  |
| 7am                     | Venue doors open   |
| 7:30am                  | Referee meeting in Home & Garden Building  |
| 8:30am                  | Competition begins for national regular Juvenile, IJF and all novice categories                                |
| 9am-1pm                 | Check in/Registration and weigh in for all international categories  |
| Approx. 3pm-4pm         | Categories posted for confirmation-all international categories  |
| Approx. 7pm-8pm         | Draw for all international categories  |
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| <b>SUNDAY JUNE 20</b>   | ALL ACTIVITIES AT VENUE  |
| 7am                     | Venue doors open   |
| 7:30am                  | Referee meeting in Home & Garden Building  |
| 8:15am                  | Welcome Ceremony   |
| 8:30am                  | Competition start for all international categories   |

**NOTE: NATIONAL COMPETITION-ATHLETES DO NOT NEED TO WEIGH IN FOR SECOND CATEGORY IF SAME WEIGHT. IF A DIFFERENT WEIGHT CATEGORY, ATHLETE DOES NEED TO REWEIGH. ALL INTERNATIONAL CATEGORY ATHLETES DO NEED TO REWEIGH**

**The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding this event.**

# **COVID PROTOCOLS**

Updated 6/9/2021

Dear USA Judo Members,

I hope this finds you healthy and well. As we prepare for the 2021 Junior Olympic National and International Championships next month, we want to provide you with our COVID testing and protocol requirements.

Costs for the PCR testing are the responsibility of individuals attending the Junior Olympics. There is no cost for the onsite Rapid Antigen test.

## **For UNvaccinated Individuals:**

Athletes, Coaches, Referees, USA Judo staff, Spectators, Vendors, Volunteers: **PCR negative test result required 72hours** before travel to national event, as well as a rapid antigen test at venue.

If any in group above is a resident of North Carolina, no PCR test is required, but you will be required to take a rapid antigen test. Proof of residency must be provided.

**For Vaccinated Individuals:** (Required Proof of Vaccination card, vaccination series must be completed over two weeks before event)

Athletes, Coaches, Referees, USA Judo Staff, Vendors, Volunteers: Negative PCR Test Result is required 72-hours prior to arrival **if** displaying ANY symptoms before travel, (or if airline requires or local health guidelines require), if asymptomatic, an advanced 72 hour negative PCR Test result is recommended (not required). Rapid antigen test will be required at event.

If any in group above is a resident of North Carolina, no PCR test is required, but you will be required to take a rapid antigen test. Proof of residency must be provided.

Spectators: Advanced negative PCR is required 72-hours before arrival to event **if** displaying ANY symptoms before travel, (or if airline requires or local health guidelines require), if asymptomatic, 72-hour PCR Test is recommended (not required). Antigen test is not required.

For those who are unable to complete a PCR test with results within 72 hours of arrival in Winston-Salem, USA Judo has found the following affordable solution for members with Access Labs. If you have a way to access local PCR Testing within the timeframe required (and hopefully at no charge), you don't need to pursue the following option unless you want to.

- SalivaDirect Individual Test with two-way shipping - \$79/each
- SalivaDirect Standard 5 pack – all shipped & returned in same package - \$245 (\$49/each)
- For questions, contact Brandon O'Connor, Senior National Account Executive at:  
Office: 866-720-8386, ext. 222/ [brandon@accessmedlab.com](mailto:brandon@accessmedlab.com)

## **Turnaround time guarantee of 12-14 hours after arrival**

Most individuals attending the Junior Olympics will arrive in Winston-Salem on Wednesday, June 16 or Thursday, June 17. Based on this timeframe, the following is a sample of the step-by-step/day-by-day timelines to process your advance PCR test and receive your on-site rapid antigen COVID test.

**SAMPLE TIMELINE FOR ARRIVAL ON THURSDAY JUNE 17**

| <b><u>Date</u></b>                              | <b><u>Process</u></b>   | <b><u>Action To Be Taken</u></b>   |
|---|---|--|
| No later than Friday, June 11<br>order test kit | Purchase on-line to receive testing kit/kit sent overnight<br><br><b>BE SURE TO SELECT THE CORRECT OVERNIGHT SHIPPING OPTION (USA JUDO WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE IF YOU SELECT THE INCORRECT SHIPPING OPTION)</b> | Go to <a href="http://www.accessmedlab.com/login">www.accessmedlab.com/login</a><br><br>For individual test, enter in Physician Login area<br>Username: JudoUSA Password: Champion<br><br>*For standard 5 pack tests, enter in Physician Login area:<br>User: National1 Password: JudoChamp<br><br>*Bulk order test kits must be ordered/returned at same time |
| Monday, June 14                                 | Testing Kit arrives<br>Provide Sample, <b>register ID card return to lab (failure to do this will make it nearly impossible to track your results)</b>  | Follow instructions to provide saliva sample, register sample and return sample with ID Card Provided<br>To Register Kit:<br>Username: USAJudo Password: TeamUSA   |
| Tuesday, June 15                                | Receive Results   | Results will be sent to registered e-mail and text #   |
| Wednesday June 16/Thursday, June 17             | Travel Day/Arrive in Winston-Salem  | If negative PCR test result, travel to Winston-Salem/If positive test, stay home   |
| Wednesday June 16                               | Rapid Antigen Testing for staff, officials, volunteers <b>only</b><br>8am-10am<br>Fairgrounds Education Building  | Rapid Antigen testing  |
| Thursday, June 17                               | Rapid Antigen Testing<br>7am-5pm<br>Fairgrounds Education Building  | Rapid Antigen testing/<br>health questionnaire submitted/temperature taken/social distancing   |
| Friday, June 18                                 | Rapid Antigen Testing<br>7am-2pm<br>Fairgrounds Education Building  | Health questionnaire completed, temperature taken, masks to be worn at all times, social distancing and rapid antigen testing for those who did not receive one on Thursday  |
| Saturday June 19                                | Rapid Antigen Testing<br>7am-2pm<br>Fairgrounds Education Building  | Health Questionnaire completed, temperature taken, masks worn at all times, social distancing and rapid antigen testing for those who did not receive on Thursday or Friday  |
| Sunday, June 20                                 | NO RAPID ANTIGEN TESTING  | Health Questionnaire completed, temperature taken, social distancing and masks worn at all times   |

***\*If you do not need/plan to register on Thursday, June 17, please plan your testing process accordingly.***

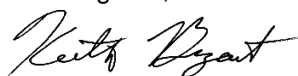
**General Guidelines:**

- **ALL Parties** who will enter the venue (athletes, coaches, parents, referees, spectators, staff, volunteers) must have the appropriate COVID tests as outlined above unless exempt as described above.
- To help with the process, it is recommended that you have a hard copy of your PCR test results and/or vaccination card or a screen shot of either/both on your mobile device.
- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 90 days, you do NOT need to be tested. You DO need to provide evidence from a Doctor that you have been medically cleared and no longer infectious. Again, a hard copy is requested.
- For those who have recovered from COVID and their PCR test is positive within 90 days of positive COVID test, they must provide their original positive test results showing date from an authorized medical facility and complete the COVID Health Questionnaire.

- All attendees must complete and return the USA Judo COVID Health Questionnaire during the registration/check in, weigh in and prior to competition entry.
- Any positive test or any individual showing symptoms of COVID 19, will not be allowed to attend nor participate in the event. **If you have any COVID symptoms or test positive prior to departing from your home city, we ask that you do not travel to the event.** If you incur COVID symptoms or test positive while in Winston-Salem, you will be asked to quarantine immediately and inform USA Judo's Corinne Shigemoto at 719-201-6176 or [corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us](mailto:corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us) so that contact tracing may commence if necessary.
- Any individual who fails to provide a negative test result or respective positive supporting documentation as outlined above, will not be allowed to compete, or enter the venue. If individual fails to provide acceptable documentation as outlined above, no expenses incurred for travel/participation to the event will be reimbursed. This includes event registration fees.
- Individuals, other than athletes, who are approved to attend the event will be given a color-coded wristband that must be worn at all times. Athletes will be marked with a one-time use skin pen. These identifiers must be shown to be allowed in the competition venue/weigh-in areas/registration.
- Temperature checks will be conducted prior to entering the venue for registration/check-in, weigh in and competition. If temperature is above 100.4, the individual will not be allowed access and will be asked to seek immediate medical attention, including but not limited to quarantine protocols.
- Hand sanitizer/wipes will be available throughout the hotel and venue and all are encouraged to use frequently.
- Masks appropriately covering the nose and mouth must always be worn while in the venue for ALL ATTENDEES (officials, volunteers, USA Judo staff, coaches, spectators, parents, etc.). The only exception is for athletes when they are competing on the mat. Masks shall be removed by the athlete only when they are called onto the mat by the referee and must put the mask back on immediately when they walk off the mat. A designated area for masks will be provided and cleaned for each match.
- USA Judo will not provide masks; however, masks will be available to purchase on site.
- Each competition mat area/warm up area, coaches and on deck athlete chairs, scoring tables, and referee tables will be cleaned with disinfectant at least once every hour. Please be patient with us while we conduct these cleaning measures.
- We ask that social distancing be followed while in the bleachers/seating areas for non-family members as well as in any lines. There will be no gathering of athletes/coaches/parents allowed inside the barricade and at the barricade surrounding the mats.
- Only coaches and athletes that are on deck and in the hole will be allowed inside the barricade. If not on the mat, on deck or in the hole, you must be in the seating area.
- ANYONE WHO VIOLATES THE MASK MANDATE OR GATHERING INSIDE/OUTSIDE THE BARRICADES MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE VENUE
- The above criteria may be changed based on the health and safety requirements of the State of North Carolina, City of Winston-Salem, The Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex, and/or USA Judo.

For questions, please contact USA Judo's Corinne Shigemoto at 719-201-6176 or [corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us](mailto:corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us). Thank you very much for your patience, assistance and understanding. As we all know by now, planning events right now is a fluid situation. Should there be any changes to requirements or additional information to share, we will notify the USA Judo Membership ASAP. We look forward to seeing you in Winston-Salem.

Best Regards,



Keith Bryant  
CEO, USA Judo



## Register your Lab Kit ID Card – Client

*\*We must receive your Lab Kit ID card to process your sample*

1. Hand Lab Kit ID card to your patient(s).



2. Direct them to use the following website link:  
**"accessmedlab.com/login"**

3. Provide individual with proper **username & password** to enter into Physician Login.



4. Instruct the patient to do the following:

- Enter the **8 digit** barcode number located at the top right of the Lab Kit ID Card.
- Select the test you wish to order.
- Fill out **ALL required demographic fields** (Address is NOT required, only enter your **State and Zip Code**).
- Select **"I am not a robot"**.
- Select **"Register"**.

5. Place Lab Kit ID card back into biohazard bag.

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## **REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEES, TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN**

| Due Date                           | 1st Category | 2nd Category | 3rd & subsequent Categories (each) |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Online registration by May 7       | \$85.00      | \$70.00      | \$55.00                            |
| Online registration May 8- June 11 | \$100.00     | \$80.00      | \$70.00                            |
| Walk up registration after June 11 | \$150.00     | \$150.00     | \$75.00                            |

- All registrations must be completed online, no mail in registration will be accepted
- On-line registrations will not be accepted after June 11. Entries should be hand carried to event and will be considered walk-up registrations at this point
- Athlete's date of birth, citizenship and rank, if applicable, must be verified in the USA Judo database prior to using the online event registration system. Send copies of athlete's birth certificate or passport and rank certificate to [Austin.leath@usajudo.us](mailto:Austin.leath@usajudo.us). Verifications will only be processed during normal business hours Monday through Friday 8:00am-4:00pm MT.
- Entry fee discounts must be for the same athlete
- Entry fees are non-refundable, and credits will not be issued
- Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 12:00 p.m. Thursday June 17

## **CHAMPIONSHIP HOTEL**

**Headquarters:** Best Western Plus-University Inn  
3050 University Parkway  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105

Rate: \$119 per night plus tax (includes breakfast)

Reservations: call 336-723-2911 or online at:

[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.34181.html?groupId=1Q5EL8R6](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.34181.html?groupId=1Q5EL8R6)

**Deadline Date:** Book by **June 6** to receive discounted rates

### **Overflow Properties:**

Courtyard by Marriott  
3111 University Parkway  
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Rate: \$109 per night plus tax

**[Book your group rate for USA Judo Junior Olympic National & International Championships](#)**

Deadline Date: Book by May 28 to receive the discounted rate

Hampton Inn & Suites  
309 summit Square Court  
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Rate: \$109 per night plus tax

<http://group.hamptoninn.com/JudoJrNationals>

Deadline Date: book by May 28 to receive the discounted rate

Doubletree by Hilton  
5790 University Parkway  
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Rate: \$109 per night plus tax

Reservations: 336-767-9595

Deadline date: May 28, 2021

### **TRANSPORTATION**

**Air Transportation:** Piedmont Triad Airport is approximately 30 minutes from Winston-Salem. Book through the United Olympic Travel Desk and receive discounted airfare. Call 800-841-0460, reference code UO27.

**Ground Transportation:** No ground transportation will be provided. Best Western Plus-University Inn is within walking distance of the venue.

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR ATHLETES**

Contestants may participate if they meet the following eligibility requirements:

National Competition-Friday and Saturday

U.S. Citizens and athletes who meet the criteria of the International Judo Federation's (IJF) refugee program and are currently approved with proof of documentation/acceptance from the IJF to participate in the refugee program, may compete in the following categories. Please provide a copy of the necessary documents to [Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us](mailto:Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us)

International Competition-Sunday only

U.S. Citizens, athletes holding Green Cards or VISA's, approval letter from an IJF recognized international federation or athletes who meet the criteria of the International Judo Federation's (IJF) refugee program and are currently approved with proof of documentation/acceptance from the IJF to participate in the refugee program are eligible to compete in the following categories. Please provide a copy of the necessary documents to [Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us](mailto:Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us).



1. A current member in good standing of USA JUDO (United States Judo, Inc.) for all athletes competing in the national competition regardless of citizenship.
2. A current member in good standing of USA Judo for all athletes competing in the international categories except athletes with international federation approval letters.
3. Point Roster criteria can be found at <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-judo/athletes/juniors>
4. Eligibility selection criteria for the IJF World team selection can be found at [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org)
5. Rank requirements for junior categories:
  - Regular categories-all ranks eligible
  - Novice categories-white, yellow or orange belts only

### **JUNIOR AGE CATEGORIES OF COMPETITION AND WEIGHT DIVISIONS**

Please note that each Category is based solely on the year in which the contestant was born. All weights are in kilograms. For each weight division, the weight range will be over the next lower weight and up to and including the weight listed. Example: Bantam 1, 28 kg – over 23 kg and up to and including 28 kg. ONLY ONE WEIGHT PER CATEGORY IS ALLOWED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF IJF WHERE OPEN WEIGHT CAN BE A SECOND ENTRY. The following age/weight categories will be in use **for this year's event (2021)**:

#### **REGULAR JUNIOR CATEGORIES NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL:**

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Bantam 1 (Born 2015-2016):</b><br>Female and Male: 23, +23 kg                             | <b>JUVENILE (Born 2007-2008):</b><br>Female and Male:<br>36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg   |
| <b>Bantam 2 (Born 2013-2014):</b><br>Female and Male: 23, 27, 31, 35, +35 kg                 | <b>CADET (Born 2004-2006):</b><br>Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg<br>Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg            |
| <b>Bantam 3 (Born 2011-2012)</b><br>Female: 27, 32, 37,+37 kg<br>Male: 25, 30, 36, 42, +42kg | <b>IJF-Junior (Born 2001-2006):</b><br>Female: 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open<br>Male: 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, Open |
| <b>INTERMEDIATE (Born 2009-2010):</b><br>Female and Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52kg  |   |

#### **NOVICE JUNIOR CATEGORIES: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL:**

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| <b>Bantam 3 (Born 2011-2012)</b><br>Female: 27, 32, 37,+37 kg<br>Male: 25, 30, 36, 42, +42kg | <b>CADET (Born 2004-2006):</b><br>Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg<br>Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg            |
| <b>INTERMEDIATE (Born 2009-2010):</b><br>Female and Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52kg  | <b>IJF-Junior (Born 2001-2006):</b><br>Female: 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open<br>Male: 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, Open |
| <b>JUVENILE (Born 2007-2008):</b><br>Female and Male:<br>36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg  |   |

The IJF-Junior Category is the same as the International Judo Federation Junior World Championships Category. Athletes may enter if they are born in 2001 through 2006 only.

### **WEIGH-IN**

See Schedule of Events for times of weigh in. A calibrated practice scale will be available prior to, and during, the weigh-in periods. However, in no case will contestants be allowed on the Official Scale during Official Weigh-In for the purpose of checking weight. Contestants may check weight as many times as desired prior to the designated time of the official weigh-in on the official scale. A contestant is given only one chance on the official scale during official weigh-in. At weigh-in, athletes in the regular Cadet AND IJF- Junior categories must present a government issued photo ID or school ID.

**Naked weigh-in is no longer allowed for any category. To compensate, 0.1kg will be allowed. For example, in the 44kg category, the limit will be 44.1kg. This is a clothing allowance only and the 0.1kg will only be added to the true weight.**

Athletes competing in two categories (same weight) on separate days need only to weigh one time prior to their first day of competition. If weight /age categories are different, athlete must reweigh during official weigh in for that category.

Athletes competing in the national and international categories in the same category/weight must reweigh during the international weigh in on Saturday but will be allowed a 1 kilo allowance. Athletes competing in different categories/weights will not be allowed a 1 kilo allowance

**IMPORTANT: Athletes must make their declared weight as registered unless a change is made during the check in/registration process prior to getting on the official scale. Athlete may change weight category during check in/registration. Failure to make declared weight will result in the athlete not competing. Athlete will not be moved to next weight category. Once official weight is recorded, no changes to weight category will be accepted. NO CHANGES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT WEIGH IN.**

### **CHECK IN**

Only check in if you have a change to your weight or category. Please proceed directly to weigh-in if you have no changes. **No changes will be allowed at weigh-in.**

### **CLUB AFFILIATION**

Only current USA Judo clubs, at the time of registration, will be associated with the athlete's entry. Non-USA Judo clubs will not be affiliated with a registered athlete. Club affiliation is not required to compete in these championships.

### **\*\*\*CONFIRMATION OF CATEGORIES/DRAW\*\*\***

A preliminary list of athletes by category/weight will be posted at the Best Western Plus-University Plus on Thursday June 17 at approximately 3:00pm ET. Athletes/coaches/representative for the athlete is required to check the list to ensure the athlete is in the correct category/weight as declared.

- Any corrections should be reported immediately to staff but no later than 1 hour after posting. A correction form will be provided to record the correction. Corrections WILL NOT be accepted after the 1 hour posting time has expired
- Corrections will be processed then the draw will be run. Draw brackets and fight sheets will be posted online at [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org).
- **IMPORTANT:** This period is for corrections /confirmations only, of changes made during the check in/registration time period. **NO CHANGES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

A representative for each athlete must review the posted preliminary list to ensure the athlete is in the correct category. Failure to confirm or make corrections during the Confirmation of Categories period may result in the athlete **NOT COMPETING IN THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS**. All draws will be conducted using USA Judo approved software. See Rules and Method of Competition for all seeding information. With the exception of seeding, the draw will be random. Once the draw is complete, there will be no changes.

If two or more athletes fail to make weight or report to weigh-ins in the same category, the division may be redrawn.

### **COACH INFORMATION**

All Coaches must adhere to the following dress code during the event. Failure to adhere will be grounds for removal of coaching credentials.

Acceptable apparel: national or club team track suit (sweat suit) with polo shirt; business casual attire; dress jeans (no holes or markings); button down shirts or polo shirts. Dress shoes, sneakers (tennis shoes). Forbidden apparel: flip flops, sandals, shorts, tee-shirts, hats, head coverings.

All coaches must be current/active USA Judo, USJA or USJF coach certified to receive coaching credentials at this event. Credentials will be issued at the coaches meeting.

All coaches must register for the event through the event online entry system to receive wristbands. There is no charge for registering. Log into your USA Judo profile and click on National Events to register.

### **REFEREE EVENT REGISTRATION**

All referees must first commit to work the event using the USA Judo Referee Information System. The individuals rostered will be approved by the USA Judo Referee Commission to work the event. Once approved, you must register using the USA Judo online event registration. There is no cost to do this.

Log into your USA Judo profile and click on National Events to register. Wristbands will be issued for all approved referees. Wristbands can be picked up either during the event check-in/registration process or at the referee meeting.

If you do not commit to work using the Referee Information System and then register online, you may not be allowed to participate in the event and USA Judo will not be responsible for any expenses associated with your stay/travel to the event.

## **RULES AND METHOD OF COMPETITION**

The Championships will be conducted in accordance with the Contest Rules, Organization Code and Sporting Code of the International Judo Federation, as revised for the USA JUDO Junior Olympic National and International Judo Championships.

**Competition Method:** The standard (“true”) Double Elimination System with winner’s and loser’s brackets will be used. The winner of the loser’s bracket will compete against the winner of the winner’s bracket for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The first one of these two contestants to have two (2) losses will be placed second; the other will be placed first. The loser of the loser’s bracket will be placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. For categories of five or less contestants, round robin will be the method of competition.

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### **Round Robin Clarification:**

- If Athlete A pulls out before finishing competition against other athletes in the category and does not go out onto the mat, all points won or lost associated with Athlete A are removed. No medal is awarded to Athlete A
- If Athlete A cannot finish competing but goes out onto the mat (field of play), then Athlete B wins and is awarded ippon points. Athlete A receives 0 points.
- If Athlete A, who did not finish competing but went out onto the mat, they are eligible to medal.

**Seeding:** There will be no seeding with the exception of the IJF-Junior and Cadet categories. The top four athletes will be seeded in each division. If seeded athlete is not present, the other athletes WILL move up in seeding. Players having the same state affiliation will be placed as far apart in the bracket as possible.

- All athletes must compete in their true age/weight category.
- **Shime-waza rule:** allowed in regular and novice Juvenile, Cadet and IJF categories only.
- **Kansetsu-waza rule:** allowed in regular Cadet and IJF categories only.
- **Injury Rule:** Decisions regarding on mat injuries, are to be resolved in accordance with IJF rules; such decisions occurring off the mat or not covered by the IJF rules, are to be made by the coach, the athlete, and the Team Doctor. If there is not a unanimous opinion among these three individuals, the athlete **may not** continue (Board-approved October 22, 1998.)

### **Match lengths:**

- Bantam - 3 minutes/ 2-minute golden score
- Intermediate and Juvenile - 3 minutes/no golden score limit
- Cadet and IJF - 4 minutes/ no golden score limit

## **NATIONAL COMPETITION TEAM AWARDS**

Athletes will be awarded points for all categories based on the event as follows:

Youth Nationals, Junior Olympics and junior categories at the President's Cup:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place 5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place 3 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place 1 point

Senior Nationals and senior/veterans/VI categories at President's Cup:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place 7.5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place 4.5 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place 1.5 points

The team with the most points at the conclusion of the event will be named Team Champion for the 2021 Junior Olympic National Championships.

Criteria:

1. Club affiliation will be club listed with athlete's entry in event (as confirmed in their USA Judo profile).
2. Athletes who change club affiliation at event then change back after the event has finished will not be counted
3. No club will be allowed to register at the event.
4. Trophies will be presented to the top three teams after competition. If club is not present, award can be picked up at future USA Judo national event or shipped to club at their expense.

### **USA JUDO TEAM AWARD**

1. Totals will be comprised from the 2021 Youth National, Senior Nationals, Junior Olympics and Presidents Cup Championships.
2. The award will be presented to the winning team at the 2022 Youth Nationals.

### **JUDO GI**

For all categories, regardless of age, blue and white gi requirement is mandatory. IJF approved labeled gi's are not required but must meet fit requirements. Back patches are not required.

### **AWARDS**

**Individual Awards:** Gold, Silver and Bronze (one bronze) medals will be awarded for first, second and third places for all divisions

Athletes must wear either a clean full white judo gi or full team sweats on the awards podium. No additional items may be taken/worn on the podium (flags, hats, pictures, flowers, stuffed animals, etc.).

### **MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICY (MAAPP)**

USA Judo defines "regular contact with minors" as meaningful or direct contact or oversight with minors that would be considered frequent, repeated or consistent. By way of example, an adult who will often assist with coaching/leading classes including minors would be considered "regular contact" with minors and is required to complete the SafeSport Online Training/Certification Course. An adult

who may “drop in” to coach and/or practice with minors on occasion would not be considered frequent, repeated or consistent and would not need to complete the SafeSport Online Training/Certification Course. In the spirit of the moral code of judo, USA Judo requires adult members to self-certify whether or not they considered having “regular contact” with minors based on the aforementioned description. If an adult member is unsure whether or not they have “regular contact” with minors, USA Judo encourages those individuals (and their clubs) to err on the side of caution and complete the SafeSport Training and Certification. USA Judo, in cooperation with USA Judo Clubs, has the right to randomly review and assess members who may have regular contact with minors and require compliance if/when considered necessary by USA Judo Leadership. The USA Judo SafeSport Handbook can be found at [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org).

### **NOTICE OF POSSIBLE TESTING FOR BANNED SUBSTANCES**

IJF Junior and Cadet Categories only, testing, in accordance with procedures of the U.S. Olympic Committee may be conducted by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA). For questions concerning whether or not a substance banned, you may call the Drug Reference Hotline at 1.800.223.0393. Correspondence and inquiries: USADA, 555 Tech Center Drive Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80919. Visit <http://www.usantidoping.org/> for more information.

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