2021 USA Judo Youth National Championships

April 24-25, 2021

Cadet and IJF Pan American Team Trials

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

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| Hosted by:          | Utah Sports Commission  
|                    | Visit Salt Lake         |
| Tournament Headquarters Hotel | Embassy Suites  
|                    | 3524 South Market St.  
|                    | Salt Lake/West Valley City, Utah 84119 |
| Competition Site:   | The Utah Olympic Oval   |
| Check-in            | Friday, April 23: See schedule of events for details |
| Weigh In            | See Schedule of Events |
| Competition Date:   | Saturday, April 24: regular Bantam, Cadet and Intermediate  
|                    | Sunday, April 25: regular Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories |
| Tournament Director:| Contact the National Office for questions at 719.866.4730 |
| Chief Referee       | Dr. Gary Berliner       |
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
ALL ACTIVITIES AT THE UTAH OLYMPIC OVAL

Friday, April 23

8:00am – 12:00pm  Tournament check-in and registration for all competitors

COVID results turned in to USA Judo Safety Desk

*Check in only if there is a change in category or weight

Official Weigh-ins for regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet Categories

2:00pm – 3:00pm  Categories posted for confirmation-Location TBD

5:00 pm  Technical Officials Meeting

6:00 pm  Referee Meeting

7:00 pm  Coaches Meeting

8:00 pm  Draw for all categories

Saturday, April 24  Competition at The Utah Olympic Oval

7:30 am  Doors open

8:00 am  Referees meeting at venue

8:45 am  Opening Ceremonies

9:00 am  Competition begins for regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet Categories

11:00am - 1:00pm  Weigh-ins for regular Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories

Sunday, April 25  Competition at The Utah Olympic Oval

7:30 am  Doors open

8:00 am  Referees meeting at venue

9:00 am  Competition begins – regular Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories

NOTE: ATHLETES DO NOT NEED TO WEIGH IN FOR SECOND CATEGORY IF SAME WEIGHT. IF A DIFFERENT WEIGHT CATEGORY, ATHLETE DOES NEED TO REWEIGH

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding this event
COVID PANDEMIC SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

USA Judo is thrilled to be having the 2021 Youth Nationals and hopes you are also. To have this event operate as safely and efficiently as possible, we need all participants’ assistance in abiding by the following COVID Requirements.

ALL attendees, including, but not limited to athletes, family members, coaches, referees, staff, and volunteers who will be spending any time within the competition venue, are required to submit a negative PCR COVID test to USA Judo within 72 hours of registration, Friday April 23. This includes any individual who has been partially or fully vaccinated. Understanding that many communities throughout the United States offer free PCR testing, for those needing to pay for their test, USA Judo will reimburse up to $15.00 per test with receipt from authorized medical facilities. Test results and receipts must be turned into USA Judo prior to registration/check in or weigh in processes by Friday April 23. Reimbursement to individual will be processed by May 28. An area near registration will be set up to collect this information.

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. This questionnaire will be provided both electronically and in hard copy format.

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 Salt Lake City, we ask that you quarantine immediately and inform USA Judo’s Corinne Shigemoto at 719-201-6176 or 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 and wipes will be available throughout the hotel and venue and all are encouraged to use them frequently.

Masks appropriately covering the nose and mouth must be worn at all times while in the hotel and 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/seat 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
REMINDER: ALL ATTENDEES MUST PROVIDE A NEGATIVE COVID19 TEST RESULT

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REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEES, TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN

Registration Dates/Entry Fees:

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<td>Online registration by March 15</td>
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- All registrations must be completed on line, no mail in registration
- Online registrations will not be accepted after April 16. Walk up registrations will be accepted on Friday April 23.
- Holito using the online event registration system. Send copies of athlete’s birth certificate or passport and rank certificate to Austin.leath@usajudo.us. Verifications will only be processed during normal business hours Monday through Friday 8:00am-4:00pm MT.
- Checks should be made payable to 2021 USA Judo Youth National Championships
- Entry into second or third category must be for same athlete
- Entry fees are non-refundable and credits will not be issued if athlete does not compete
- Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 12:00 p.m. Friday April 23

SPECTATOR ADMISSION FEE

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- Olympians will be granted free admission and floor passes
- Current USA Judo Life Members will receive free admission (spectator seating)
- Circle of 100 Members will receive free admission (spectator seating only)
HOTELS

Headquarters: Embassy Suites
3524 South Market St.
Salt Lake/West Valley City, Utah 84119
Rate: $109 plus tax

Deadline Date: Book by April 5 to receive discounted rates.

For Reservations:

Overflow: Staybridge Suites
3038 S. Decker Lake Dr.
West Valley City, UT 84119
Rate: $109 Studio Suite/$124 One bedroom Suite plus tax

Deadline Date: April 5 for reservations
Reservations: bit.ly/staybridgeusajudo

Holiday Inn Express
3036 South Decker Lake Dr.
West Valley City, Utah 84119
Rate: $94 plus tax

Deadline Date: April 5 for reservations
Reservations: bit.ly/holidayinnexpressusajudo

TRANSPORTATION

Air Transportation: Nearest airport is Salt Lake City International Airport.

Ground Transportation: No ground transportation will be provided.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ATHLETES

Contestants may participate if they meet the following eligibility requirements:
U.S. Citizens and athletes with Green Cards or VISA’s are eligible to complete in the categories below. Also, 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 also compete in the following categories. Please provide a copy of the necessary documents to Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us

- Regular Bantam 1.2 and 3
- Novice Bantam 3
- Regular and/or Novice Intermediate
- Regular Juvenile and/or Novice Juvenile
- Novice Cadet
- Novice IJF
- IJF Regular-Open weight only
1. U.S. Citizens 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.
   - Regular IJF except Open weight
   - Regular Cadet

2. A current member in good standing of USA JUDO (United States Judo, Inc.) for all athletes regardless of citizenship.

3. Point Roster criteria can be found at https://www.teamusa.org/usa-judo/athletes/juniors

4. Eligibility selection criteria for the Cadet and IJF Jr. Pan Am Championship, team selection can be found at 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. The following age/weight categories will be in use for this year's event (2021):

**REGULAR JUNIOR CATEGORIES:**

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<td>Female: 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open</td>
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**NOVICE JUNIOR CATEGORIES:**

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<th>CADET (Born 2004-2006):</th>
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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, IJF-Junior and Collegiate 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.

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.

ATHLETES COMPETING IN TWO CATEGORIES (SAME WEIGHT) ON SEPARATE DAYS NEED ONLY TO WEIGH IN ONCE

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.

COVID19 RECEIPTS

Test results must be turned in to the USA Judo Safety desk no later than Friday April 23 at 12:00pm PT. Only those with negative PCR test results will be allowed to compete. No reimbursement of any expenses, including event registration fees will be made if athlete is eliminated from competition due to not providing a negative PCR test result.

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 Hilton Hotel on Friday April 23 at approximately 2:00pm MT. 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 3:00pm MT. A correction form will be provided to record the correction. Corrections WILL NOT be accepted after (3:00pm MT).
- Corrections will be processed then the draw will be run. Draw brackets and fight sheets will be posted online at 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.

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.

Credentials will be issued at the coaches meeting.

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 approve 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.

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 are 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.

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 Youth National 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 1st and 2nd 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 3rd. For categories of under-five contestants, round robin will be the method of competition.

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 except for 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.

Juniors winning medals in the IJF-Junior, Juvenile, Cadet, Intermediate, and all Bantam divisions will be awarded points as outlined in the USA Judo Junior Event Point Matrix found at www.usjudo.org.

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 regular IJF 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

**TEAM AWARDS**

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

**Youth Nationals and junior categories at the President’s Cup:**
- 1st place 5 points
- 2nd place 3 points
- 3rd place 1 point

**Senior Nationals and senior/veterans/VI categories at President’s Cup:**
- 1st place 7.5 points
- 2nd place 4.5 points
- 3rd place 1.5 points

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

Criteria:
1. Club affiliation will be club listed with athlete’s entry in event (as confirmed in their USA Judo profile).
2. Athlete’s 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, and Presidents Cup Championships.
2. The award will be presented to the winning team at the 2022 Youth Nationals.

**JUDO GI/UNDERGARMENTS/CHANGING**

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.

Appropriate undergarments must be worn by all athletes. Female athletes shall wear under the jacket either, a plain white or off-white tee-shirt, with short sleeves, long enough to be worn inside the trousers, or a plain white or off-white leotard with short sleeves. The white Tee-shirt should be round necked. No marking can be visible when the judogi is done up.
Athlete's needing to change clothes/judo gi should do so in a restroom, locker room or other area specifically designated for changing.

**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.).

**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/](http://www.usantidoping.org/) for more information.

**The tournament committee reserves the right to make all final decisions on events related to and surrounding these championships.**