



College Park Judo Club & Hui-O-Judo
Beltsville

Maryland State Judo Championships



Saturday, April 18, 2026

Site: DeMatha Catholic High School, 4318 Madison St, Hyattsville, Maryland, 20781

Sanctioned by: United States Judo Federation

Sanction Number: 26-04-??

Tournament directors Kurt Tamai (301) 537-5836 and Kevin Tamai (703) 622-6861

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Tournament Schedule - Competition Day

Saturday, April 18, 2026

7:30 AM Venue open

8:00AM Referees - Dick Messier Wrestling room (Officials room)

8:30AM Opening

9:00 competition starts (kata, juniors and masters)

Other Important Dates

April 15 at 11:59PM - Un-Official weights due (email collegetamajudo@aol.com or text 301-537-5836)

April 15 at 11:59PM - Registration ends

April 15 at 11:59PM - Last day to change divisions

April 16 - Official weights due

April 17 - Final brackets posted

Tournament Rules

Current IJF Contest Rules Modified as follows:

Pre 2003 IJF Medical Rule and the CARE system will be used.

Co-Ed pools may be used with contestants under the age of 10.

Four (4) ea., 6 meter competition area with 4 meter between mats with 3 meter safety border on edge.



Prohibited Acts:

No Shime waza (Chokes) for 12 yrs and under or 60 yrs and older. No Shime waza (Chokes) for any Novice Division no matter the age

Kansetsu waza (Armbars) only in Black Belt and Veterans Division

Nage waza - Tori Using the Head on the Mat to Throw - In ALL CATEGORIES, Tori is NOT ALLOWED, and will be penalized with HANSOKUMAKE

Tachi waza - Uke Applying Head Defense in Tachi-Waza - In ALL CATEGORIES, Uke is NOT ALLOWED, and will be penalized with HANSOKUMAKE

Medical Rule:

Medical staff will be allowed to examine injured contestant without disqualification.

Match Time:

17 yrs and under and Veteran divisions: 3 minutes

All senior (both Novice and Advanced) divisions: 4 minutes.

Unlimited Golden Score.

Rest periods between in cases of consecutive matches will be equal to the match time.

Elimination System

True Double Elimination will be used for divisions with 6 or more competitors.

Round Robin System will be used for divisions with 5 or less competitors.

For all Round Robin divisions: the division winners will be determined by (1) most wins; if wins are tied, both contestants will be awarded the same award.

In brackets of two (2) athletes, best two out of three matches will prevail.

All contestants must compete at their true age and weight except where the participant is uncontested; the tournament director reserves the right to adjust player pools in the best interest and safety of the contestants.

Coaches, Instructors & Parents will have an opportunity to review the categories and confirm their child's/athlete's suitability for participation.

The Tournament Directors have the authority to make any changes in combining or separating divisions appropriate for the betterment of the tournament. All competitors, coaches, instructors and parents will be able to view review their competition brackets and confirm the suitability of their child's/athlete's participation.

Coaches/Parents

Please verify your student/child has been placed in the correct division

Once the pairings are posted and weights are confirmed, you will NOT be eligible for a refund, unless the athlete is "uncontested".

White Judogi are Mandatory

Blue Judogis are OPTIONAL if you are on the "Blue" side

All competitors are REQUIRED to bring their own blue and white belts for match play. Mark your name on your belts.

NO belts will be available at the score tables.



Uncontested Division

Parents/coaches must check the participants list prior to the change division deadline. If the athlete is alone in the bracket, parents/coaches may contact the organizer at tamaikevin@gmail.com or collegeparkjudo@aol.com to move the athlete up one age division, and/or move to a different weight division.

Divisions

Depending on the number of contestants, the Tournament Director reserves the right to combine or change groups to benefit the majority of the contestants. All contestants must compete at their true age and weight except where the participant is uncontested; the tournament director reserves the right to adjust player pools in the best interest and safety of the contestants.

Coaches, Instructors & Parents will have an opportunity to review the categories and confirm the athlete's suitability for participation.

Kata Competition:

Forms: Nage No Kata, Katame No Kata, Ju No Kata, Goshin Jitsu

Divisions: Novice (under 23 yrs old) and Open Senior (all ages)

Kata Registration: Follow the registration instructions, you will be asked about your weight and if you agree to move up/down divisions based on number of competitors. You will need to answer the questions to get to the selection of registering as Uke or Tori for Kata and also selecting the division for kata.



Kata Registrations: Include the name of your partner as a NOTE: there is a selection for "ADD NOTE" when you select your type of kata. Add a note with your partners name.

SPECIAL Junior Only (12 under) Nage no kata - 3 techniques each side.

Both Kata team members must register for the event (per kata).

Shiai Competition Divisions

Competition will be divided in to both Male & Female Divisions.

Categories are based solely on athlete's year of birth. Weights are in pounds (lbs.).

Co-ed brackets may be used with contestants under the age of 10 and under.

Age Group Weight Divisions

The weight described below corresponds to the maximum weight allowed in each division. All weights are in pounds.

DIVISIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS THE SANCTION IS FINALIZED.

Boys & Girls 5-6 years old: 40 lbs, 43 lbs, 46 lbs, 52 lbs, 55 lbs, 60 lbs, 65 lbs

Boys & Girls 7-8 years old: 40 lbs, 44 lbs, 48 lbs, 52 lbs, 56 lbs, 61 lbs, 66 lbs, 71 lbs, 76 lbs

Boys & Girls 9-10 years old: 49 lbs, 56 lbs, 63 lbs, 70 lbs, 77 lbs, 85 lbs, 92 lbs, 99 lbs, 106 lbs

Boys & Girls 11-12 years old: 58 lbs, 65 lbs, 72 lbs, 79 lbs, 86 lbs, 93 lbs, 100 lbs, 107 lbs, 114 lbs, 121 lbs, +121 lbs

Males & Females 13-14 years old: 71 lbs, 79 lbs, 87 lbs, 95 lbs, 103 lbs, 111 lbs, 119 lbs, 127 lbs, 135 lbs, 143 lbs, 151 lbs

Males 15-17 years old: 110 lbs, 121 lbs, 132 lbs, 145 lbs, 161 lbs, 178 lbs, 198 lbs, 198+ lbs

Females 15-17 years old: 88 lbs, 97 lbs, 106 lbs, 114 lbs, 125 lbs, 139 lbs, 154 lbs, 154+ lbs

Males Senior (Novice/Black): 132 lbs, 145 lbs, 161 lbs, 178 lbs, 198 lbs, 220 lbs, 220+ lbs.

Females Senior (Novice/Black): 106 lbs, 114 lbs, 125 lbs, 139 lbs, 154 lbs, 172 lbs, 172+ lbs

Male Veteran (30 and older): 132 lbs, 145 lbs, 161 lbs, 178 lbs, 198 lbs, 220 lbs, 220+ lbs

Female Veteran (30 and older): 106 lbs, 114 lbs, 125 lbs, 139 lbs, 154 lbs, 172 lbs, 172+ lbs

Uncontested Athletes

Parents/coaches must check the participants list prior to the change division deadline.

If the athlete is alone in the bracket, parents/coaches may contact the organizers (Kurt Tamai or Kevin Tamai) to move the athlete up one age division, and/or move to a different weight division.

Weigh-in and Check-in April 14-April 16 until Midnight

Dojo/ Sensei's will send in their competitors official/ confirmed weights (one list please). If a competitors weight is not confirmed by their sensei/ dojo, the declared weight will be used and have to be verified at check-in and must be within 2 lbs of their declared weight for youth. Adult competitors must be under the defined maximum for the weight division.

Competitors may update their own weight in Smoothcomp, until registration closes Apr 15

Please Note: If a competitors weight is questioned, they will be asked to step on a scale and must be within 5% of their declared weight or they will be disqualified from the event with no refund given. Adult competitors must be under the defined maximum for the weight division.

COVID Protocol

US Judo Federation Medical Committee

COVID Update 10/2022

Effective immediately, the following shall apply to all USJF Dojos and all USJF events, local and national:

Testing:

1. USJF events will follow jurisdictional COVID-19 guidelines provided by the local/state health department and/or appropriate government entities
2. COVID testing is not a requirement from the USJF national office
3. Testing may be required at the discretion of the event medical director, depending on local conditions
4. International competitors from outside the United States will need to follow COVID-19 testing and other protocols as required by the US State Department/CDC.

Vaccinations:

1. There is no COVID-19 vaccine requirement for athletes, referees, staff, vendors, or spectators. However, COVID-19 vaccines are highly encouraged.

Masking:

1. Masking should follow local/state health department guidelines
2. There is no masking requirement from the USJF national office

Symptom Screening:

1. Symptoms screening, visitor logs, or temperature checks are not required
2. Symptom screening may be performed at the discretion of the head sensei, or event medical director
3. Individuals actively experiencing symptoms including fever, cough, sore throat, and fatigue should not practice/participate

Hygiene:

1. Continue to sanitize/wash hands frequently
2. Clean mats and equipment regularly

Returning to Activity after COVID Infection:

1. Members who were asymptomatic or had mild symptoms may return to activity on a gradual basis after an appropriate period of isolation. Please visit the CDC website , (<https://cdc.gov>) for isolation guidelines:
2. Members who require hospitalization or experience new or prolonged cardiopulmonary symptoms should consult with their personal physician BEFORE returning to activity
3. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult your personal physician



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