



**2018 USA JUDO Junior Olympic National Championships
And
Junior Olympic International Championships**

IJF World Team Trial for IJF Categories

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

June 22-23, 2018 (National)

June 24, 2018 (International)

EVENT INFORMATION PACKET

Hosted by:	Spokane Sports Commission
Tournament Headquarters Hotel:	Davenport Grand Hotel 333 West Spokane Falls Blvd. Spokane, WA 99201
Competition Site:	Spokane Convention Center
Check-in and Registration:	Thursday June 21: All athletes or representative must register in person. See schedule of events for details
Weigh In:	See Schedule of Events
Competition Date:	Friday, June 22: Juvenile A, Cadet, Intermediate 2, Juvenile A novice, Cadet novice and Intermediate 2 novice. Saturday June 23: Bantam, Intermediate 1, IJF Junior Categories and all novice. Sunday, June 24: International Competition: Bantam, Intermediate 1 & 2, Juvenile A, Cadet, IJF Junior Categories, Intermediate 2 novice, Juvenile A, Cadet novice and IJF Junior Novice
Tournament Director:	Contact Spencer Molnar with questions at 719-866-3621
Referees Meeting:	See Schedule of Events
Chief Referee:	To be announced
Coaches Meeting:	See Schedule of Events: All coaches on the floor must be certified and have proper ID to be issued at meeting to gain floor access. Coaches must attend to receive credentials for event. Only USA Judo coach certification will be accepted.

Event Information/Registration forms are available on USA JUDO's Web site: www.usjudo.org

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 21

Davenport Grand Hotel

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Domestic check-in and registration for **ALL** competitors

All athletes must register regardless of category.

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Weigh-ins for Juvenile A, Cadet and Intermediate 2 Categories (regular and novice)

6:30-8:00p.m.

Referees Meeting

6:00-7:00 p.m.

Technical Officials Meeting

7:00-8:00 p.m.

Coaches meeting/Draw for **all domestic categories**

Friday, June 22

7:00 a.m.

Doors open/Referee meeting at venue

8:15 a.m.

Opening Ceremonies

8:30 a.m.

Competition begins for Juvenile A, Cadet, Intermediate 2, all novice

11:00am – 1:00pm

Weigh-ins for Bantam, Intermediate 1, IJF-Junior and all novice categories at the **Spokane Convention Center**

Saturday June 23

7:00 a.m.

Doors open/Referee meeting at venue

8:30 a.m.

Competition begins – Bantam, Intermediate 1, IJF-Junior and all novice categories

9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Registration for International Categories at **Spokane Convention Center**. Weigh in for **all** international categories.

7:00 p.m.

Draw for **all International** categories at **Davenport Grand Hotel**

Sunday, June 24

8:00 a.m.

Doors open / Referee meeting at venue

9:00 a.m.

Competition begins- **all** International categories

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REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEES, TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN

Registration Dates/Entry Fees:

Due Date	1st Category	2nd Category	3 & 4 th Category
On line registration by May 19	\$85.00	\$70.00	\$55.00
On line registration May 20-June 13	\$100.00	\$80.00	\$70.00
Walk up registration after June 13	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$80.00

- On-line registrations will not be accepted after June 13. Entries should be hand carried to event and will be considered walk-up registrations at this point.
- Fees for entry into multiple categories must be for same athlete
- Athletes may also register during Tournament Check in as a walk-up entry. See fees above.
- Max. fees (walk up) for the international category entries will be the May 20-June 13 on line fee column.
- Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 3:00 p.m. Thursday June 13 for domestic competition and after 11:00am Saturday June 17 for international competition. Completion of registration must be complete by 3pm, no exceptions.
- **Entry fees are non-refundable and credits will not be issued**
- **No mail in entries will be accepted**

Online Entries:

Your rank, date of birth and citizenship must be verified in the USA Judo database prior to being allowed access to register on line. For verification, please send a copy of your birth certificate or passport and a copy of your USA Judo, USJF or USJA rank certificate to 719-866-4733 (fax) or scan/email to Isaiah.Smith@usajudo.us. Verification will only be processed during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8am-4pm mst.). **Must be complete by 3pm June 13. Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 3:00 p.m..**

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SPECTATOR ADMISSION FEE

	One Day Pass	Two Day Pass	Three Day Pass	Sunday Only
Adults	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$5.00
Children 9-12	\$8.00	\$14.00	\$19.00	\$5.00

- Children under 8 free
- Olympians will be granted free admission and floor passes to the event.
- USA JUDO Life Members will receive free admission (spectator seating only).

CHAMPIONSHIPS HEADQUARTERS

The host hotel will be the Davenport Grand Hotel 333 West Spokane Falls Blvd. Spokane, WA 99201. The rates are \$119.00 for double, triple or quad, plus tax. Double rooms are two king beds **Reservations must be made by 4pm PT May 21, 2018. Call 800-918-9344 or 509-458-3330 for reservations (ask for the JUDO RATE).**

For online registration: <http://bit.ly/2Fnmapv>

TRANSPORTATION

Ground Transportation: Ground transportation will not be provided as the venue and Davenport Grand Hotel are within walking distance. No other ground transportation will be provided.

Air Transportation: The nearest airport – Spokane International Airport – is located approximately 7 miles from the host hotel.

United Airlines is the premier travel provider for USA Judo. Enjoy a discount on domestic fares provided to USA Judo by booking with United Airlines. Call the United Olympic Desk at 1-800-841-0460 and ask for the USA Judo rate.

ELIGIBILITY FOR JUNIOR ATHLETES

Domestic contestants may participate in both the domestic and international categories if they meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. Athletes competing in all categories on Friday and Saturday “National Competition”, must be a United States Citizen (with copy of passport or birth certificate required or verification of citizenship on USA Judo membership card)
2. Athletes competing in International competition on Sunday may be a non-United States citizen who is residing in the United States legally, i.e., student VISA, valid Green Card, visitor’s VISA, work VISA, etc or a letter from their national federation. Original documentation of legal residency must be presented during the registration process.
3. Athletes competing in the IJF category on Saturday (national competition) must be a US Citizen.
4. Rank Requirements: all ranks are eligible for regular shiai categories. **White, yellow and orange belts only for novice categories.**
5. All national competitors (Friday or Saturday competition) must be a current member in good standing of USA JUDO.

6. Born between 1998 and 2012 inclusively.
7. Juv. A athletes may apply for Age Waiver to allow them to also enter the IJF Jr divisions.
<http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Judo/Athletes/Juniors/USA-Judo-Age-Waiver-Information>
 Age Waiver applications MUST reach Jim Hrbek via email (judolym@aol.com) by May 26, 2017

Note: Points will only be awarded to those meeting the criteria as outlined in the USA Judo Junior Elite Classification/Point System. In order to be listed on any USA Judo Junior Elite National Roster, an athlete must be a United States citizen and eligible to participate as a member of a USA Judo team. Age Waivered athletes do NOT earn points in the older group. No points rewarded for novice categories.

NEW—The USA Judo Roster points now awarded for U.S. Citizens entering the International categories will be as follows: 1st place 5 points; 2nd place 3 points; 3rd place 2 points.

IJF JUNIOR WORLD TEAM TRIALS

For full details, please visit: <https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Judo/Athletes/Juniors/2018-Junior-World-Team-Criteria>

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. The contestant's actual age on the day of competition is irrelevant. 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 (regular and novice) will be in use **for this year's event (2018):**

REGULAR CATEGORIES:

BANTAM 1 (Born 2012): Female AND Male: 19, 23, 28, +28 kg	INTERMEDIATE 2 (Born 2006-2007): Female AND Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52 kg
BANTAM 2 (Born 2011): Female AND Male: 21, 25, 30, +30 kg	JUVENILE A (Born 2004-2005): Female AND Male: 36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg
BANTAM 3 (Born 2010): Female AND Male: 23, 27, 31, 35, +35 kg	CADET (Born 2001-2003): Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg
INTERMEDIATE 1 (Born 2008-2009): Female AND Male: 26, 30, 34, 38, 43, +43 kg	IJF-Junior (Born 1998-2003): Female: 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open Male: 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, Open

NOVICE CATEGORIES:

BANTAM 3 (Born 2010): Female AND Male: 23, 27, 31, 35, +35 kg	JUVENILE A (Born 2004-2005): Female AND Male: 36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg
INTERMEDIATE 1 (Born 2008-2009): Female AND Male: 26, 30, 34, 38, 43, +43 kg	CADET (Born 2001-2003): Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg
INTERMEDIATE 2 (Born 2006-2007): Female AND Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52 kg	IJF-Junior (Born 1998-2003): Female: 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg Male: 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg

IJF-Junior and Cadet are the same divisions that are contested in the IJF Junior and Cadet World Championships, respectively. **There can be no age waivers for the International Competition.** Please visit www.ijf.org for more information.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make changes in the highest and lowest weight classes in all age divisions except for International competition- Cadet and IJF categories when such adjustments are made, only the highest weight sub-category will be pointable and each person must be advised that he or she may elect to fight in the pointable division.

CHECK IN

Athlete, or a representative for the athlete must check in during the official check in period. **Any changes/corrections must be made during this time.** Changes made at weigh in will not be accepted. If the athlete is not checked in during this period, they will be removed from the draw and may result in them not competing in these championships. Club affiliation changes will only be made during the check in process.

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 for all domestic competition and for all categories but Cadet and IJF international competition. There will be no practice schedule during the international weigh in for Cadet and IJF official weigh in. 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. A contestant is given only one chance on the official scale during official weigh-in. At weigh-in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND all athletes in the Cadet and IJF-Junior categories must present a photo ID. Entry fees will not be refunded for athletes missing weight.

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

NOTE: Athletes must declare a weight and make that weight during official weigh in. Weight category can be changed during the registration process. Failure to make declared weight, will eliminate the athlete from competition, with the exception of Open weight category if applicable. No refunds or credits will be issued.

Only Juv A athletes who have been granted an Age Waiver may compete in the IJF Jr category of the Jr Olympic Championships. If you weighed in for your own age group and compete in the same weight division in the IJF Jrs the following day, you do NOT need to weigh in a second time.

Athletes competing in the Jr Olympics and in the JO International in the same weight category will have to weigh again but will receive a one kg allowance for the JO International weigh-in for all categories. Athletes who declare two different weight categories between the JO Olympics and JO International, will not receive a one kilo allowance.

***** MANDATORY DRAW*****

A representative for each athlete must attend the draw to ensure the athlete is in the correct category. If a representative does not attend and, as a result, fails to confirm or make needed corrections during the draw, that will result in the athlete **NOT COMPETING IN THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS**.

Club affiliation will not be changed during the draw.

Athletes who are not checked in during the official check in period will be removed from the draw and not allowed to compete.

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.

RULES AND METHOD OF COMPETITION

JUNIOR CATEGORIES:

The Championships will be conducted in accordance with the 2017 Contest Rules, Organization Code and Sporting Code of the International Judo Federation, as revised for the USA JUDO Junior Olympic Championships.

Competition Method: The standard (“true”) Double Elimination System with winner’s and loser’s brackets will be used for all competition. 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.

International Competition (Sunday), IJF and Cadet categories will be contested using Double Repechage (cross over).

Seeding: There will be no seeding for any junior categories with the exception of IJF-Junior and Cadet, where the top four athletes in attendance will be seeded in each division. In the event a ranked athlete is not competing, the lower ranked 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 A, Cadet, Intermediate 1 & 2 and Bantam 1, 2 & 3 divisions will be awarded 10 points for a gold medal, 6 points for a silver medal and 4 points for a bronze medal on the Jr Elite National Roster that corresponds to his or her weight division.

Determination of Weight Category: **Athletes must declare a weight and make that weight during official weigh in. Weight category can be changed during the registration process. Failure to make declared weight, will eliminate the athlete from competition, with the exception of Open weight category if applicable. No refunds or credits will be issued.**

Shime-waza rule: Shime-waza (choking) allowed in Juvenile A, B and IJF-Junior divisions only.

Kansetsu-waza rule: Arm bars allowed in Cadet and IJF-Junior divisions only.

Injury Rule: Decisions whether an athlete may continue if injured while on the mat, are to be resolved according to IJF rules; decisions occurring off the mat or not covered by the IJF rules, are to be made by the coach, athlete, and Team Doctor. If there is no unanimous opinion among these three individuals, the athlete **may not** continue (Board-approved October 22, 1998.)

- **Match lengths:**
- Bantam and Intermediate 1 - 3 minutes/ 2-minute golden score
- Intermediate 2 and Juvenile A -3 minutes/no golden score limit
- Cadet and IJF-Junior - 4 minutes/ no golden score limit

Judo gi color: For all divisions, the blue and white judo gi is mandatory. Competitors are responsible for appearing in the correct color gi. IJF labeled gi's are not required.

COACH INFORMATION

All Coaches must adhere to the dress code as outlined at <http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Judo/Coaches/Coaches-Dress-Code>. All coaches must be current USA Judo Certified Coaches to receive coaching credentials for this event.

NOTICE OF POSSIBLE TESTING FOR BANNED SUBSTANCES

For IJF Junior Categories only, testing, in accordance with procedures of the U.S.O.C, may be conducted by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA). If there is a question whether or not a substance is on the banned list, you may call the Drug Reference Hotline at 1.800.223.0393. You may send your correspondence and inquiries to: USADA 1265 Lake Plaza Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80906. For more information, visit: <http://www.usantidoping.org/>

JUNIOR CATEGORY AWARDS

- **Individual Awards:** Gold, Silver and Bronze (one bronze) medals will be awarded
- **Special Awards (to both male and female each day):**

Best Technique, Sportsmanship, Fighting Spirit and Outstanding Competitor.

All medal winners **MUST** be in regulation white judo gi or team sweats to accept any and all awards.

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WARNING!

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the 2017 USA JUDO Junior Olympic Championships and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc. (USA JUDO), the Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau, Spokane Convention Center, Swain Mats, Inc./Dollamur, Tournament Director, Tournament Organizers, Tournament Staff, Local Organizing Committee, and Washington State Judo, **I hereby:**

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability, or death, and severe social and economic losses due to not only my own actions, inactions, or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages caused by, arising out of, resulting from or following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo, Inc., the United States Olympic Committee, United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau, Spokane Convention Center, Tournament Director, Tournament Organizers, Tournament Staff, Swain Mats, Inc./Dollamur, Washington State Judo, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used to conduct the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "releasee", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability, and death and damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.
6. I agree to be filmed and photographed under conditions approved and authorized by USA Judo, to include the use of my name, biographical information, public appearances, interviews, photographs, portrait and motion pictures and television recordings of my judo performance/participation and grant to USA Judo and Organizers the right to record and make use of the same, and to authorize others to do so in promoting the competition and the success of the judo team on which I compete, to promote the image of USA Judo, its sponsors and advertisers, and the sport of amateur judo, and to fund the activities of the USA Judo.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISK AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant's Printed Name	Participant's Signature	Date

**FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date

FALSE ALARM/DAMAGES STATEMENT

This form certifies that the Contestant and her/his legal guardian(s) understand that emergency vehicle response to a false alarm may result in serious injury and loss of life, and that fine, imprisonment and other possible legal consequences may result from activating any false alarm in connection with participation in this tournament. In addition, charges assessed for a false alarm or for other damage to tournament and hotel facilities shall, together with all costs and fees incurred with collecting said charges, shall be the responsibility of the responsible Contestant's parent(s) /legal guardian(s) and home Dojo. This provision has been explained to the Contestant.

Contestant's Printed Name	Contestant's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian's Printed Name	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date
Judo Instructor's Printed Name	Judo Instructor's Signature	Date
