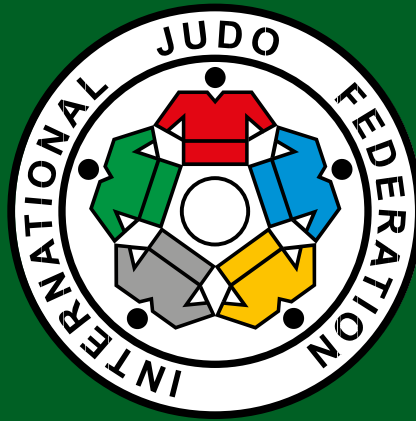


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@MariusVizer

Dear national federations, dear friends,

We welcome you to Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates, a city which has become a real mainstay on the World Judo Tour and now extends arms of friendship to our veteran family.

In Abu Dhabi we are promised first class hospitality amid a bustling city that boasts both state-of-the-art architecture and respect for the region's history and cultures. The sheer scale of progression and planning are indicative of the way in which Abu Dhabi represents a forward thinking commitment to both evolution and tradition. This is aligned with our vision of judo and so returning here is natural.

Our veteran judoka enjoyed an outstanding stay in Krakow, Poland, in 2022 for their pinnacle event of the year and now move into Asia thanks to the extraordinary efforts of the local organisers. The 2023 edition of the World Championships Veterans promises to celebrate the experience, excellence and friendship which we all hold in such high esteem.

I wish all our delegations, our friends and the wider judo family a healthy and successful event, filled with the best ippon judo!

Abu Dhabi welcomes you!

Yours in judo,

Mr Marius L. Vizer
President
International Judo Federation



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On behalf of the UAE Judo Federation, it is with great pleasure and utmost honour that I extend a warm welcome to you, esteemed members of the International Judo Federation, and our esteemed judo friends from various national federations around the world to the Abu Dhabi World Championships Veterans 2023.

We are excited to host this prestigious event, which is set to take place in the vibrant and diverse city of Abu Dhabi, known for its rich cultural heritage and renowned hospitality. As the President of the UAE Judo Federation, I am proud to witness the growth and development of judo in our nation and provide a platform for the international judo community to come together and celebrate the spirit of this remarkable martial art.

The Abu Dhabi World Championships Veterans 2023 promises to be a remarkable event, showcasing the highest level of technical skill and dedication from the participating athletes. With the participation of talented judokas across the globe, this championship will be an incredible display of sportsmanship, camaraderie, and fair competition. We aim to create an environment where athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators can fully immerse themselves in the judo experience and leave with lasting memories.

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the International Judo Federation for entrusting the UAE Judo Federation with the honour of hosting this esteemed event. We are committed to upholding the principles and values of judo and providing a world-class platform for athletes to showcase their skills.

To all our judo friends from different national federations, we extend our heartfelt invitation to join us in Abu Dhabi for the World Championships Veterans 2023.

Together, let us celebrate the spirit of judo and create lasting bonds that will foster goodwill and collaboration among judo enthusiasts worldwide. I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to Mr President, Marius Vizer, for his restless efforts & the great leadership that have taken this sport to such a great height.

I wish all the participants, IJF EC, guests, organizers, and all the judo lovers a pleasant stay in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

H.E. Mohammed Bin Tha'aloob Saleem Al Darie
President
UAE Judo Federation



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Dear Judo Family,

It is a great honour and pleasure to welcome you at the top Judo event for veterans in 2023.

After many national, international, and continental championships the highlight of this year is about to start:

The World Championships for Veterans, taking place in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates.

We expect judoka from all over the world, from every single continent, male and female – united by their love for judo.

On behalf of the IJF Veterans' Commission I want to thank H.E. Mohammed Bin Tha'aloob Saleem Al Darie and the United Arab Emirates Judo Federation, as well as the local organizers for their fantastic contribution, outstanding hospitality and great organization.

And of course my thanks go to IJF President Marius L. Vizer, the Executive Committee, the media, the IT team, the offices and last but not least the referees and everybody else involved.

We will enjoy excellent judo with great IPPONS, the huge power and spirit of the Judo Veterans' Community and our common Judo Values.

I am looking forward to a great judo festival, to meeting many old and making new friends and to a very, very interesting city and great country.

Judo is a lifelong experience and brings you to the best places in the world!

Kind regards and good luck - HAJIME

Mr Denis Weisser
Chair
International Judo Federation Veterans' Commission



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1. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

All event participants participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the International Judo Federation (IJF) officials, the IJF Statutes, the IJF **SOR** and the IJF Anti-Doping Rules (<https://www.ijf.org/cleanjudo/133>). Individuals deemed to have acted against the IJF, its principles or purposes should be subject to suspension or expulsion from the event and/or cancellation of their accreditation cards.

2. DEADLINES

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before competition day 1	Deadline	Action
37	24 September 2023	Hotel final reservation and full payment
30	1 October 2023	Visa application (with passport photocopies)
30	1 October 2023	Full refund in case of hotel cancellation
7	23 October 2023 23:59 CET	Event inscription (www.judobase.org)

*Entry letters and visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in **judobase**.

Entries	Deadline	Price
Entries to:	until 24 September 2023	160 euro
Entries from:	from 25 September to 9 October 2023	180 euro
Entries from :	from 10 October to 23 October 2023	220 euro
On-site entries:	from 24 October 2023 to the end of accreditation	250 euro

EVENT INSCRIPTION AND ENTRY FEES

Entries will be accepted from a national federation, national club or individual athlete. All entry fee's are non-refundable.

All participants must have a valid IJF veteran/kata card (IJF International cards are not accepted) and be inscribed in **judobase**. This registration should be made through the national federation by **23 October 2023, 23:59 CET**. For assistance, please contact registration@ijf.org before the end of the deadline.

In case of unforeseen delay of arrival or if someone must be cancelled from the event you must inform both the IJF (registration@ijf.org) and the local organising committee (s.alkitbe1@gmail.com).

Whenever possible, cancellations should be made before accreditation. The local organising committee has the right to charge cancellation fees below.



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LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE ACCOMMODATION AND ENTRY FEE CANCELLATION POLICY

If participation is cancelled the local organising committee has the right to charge as follows:	
Accommodation - 100% refund from	up to and including 1 October 2023
Accommodation - no refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid from	2 October 2023
Entry fee	No refund

3. PAYMENTS

According to the IJF rule enacted on the 2 December 2012 in Tokyo, 'the organising country should not request penalties fee for participating countries who cannot make bank transfers but can pay in cash upon arrival. Those countries who cannot make bank transfers should inform the LOC well in advance that they will pay cash on arrival'.

All event fees, bank fees and bank transfer costs must be paid by the participant/national federation to the following bank:

Beneficiary's name	MGO USA INC
Bank name	Bank of America
Bank address	3025 NW 87 Ave, Miami FL 33172
IBAN	BOFAUS3N
BIC/SWIFT	063000047 /063100277 (paper / electronic)
Payment reference	Veterans Invoice #

USE ONLY THE EMAIL ADDRESSES AND BANK DETAILS FROM THESE OFFICIAL OUTLINES.

If payment is being made by bank transfer the bank information must be inserted correctly and completely on the transfer document and any procedures related to amendment of the bank transfer must be done before arrival. Participants must ensure that all bank charges are paid at their end so that the LOC receive the correct amount of funds without any deductions. Participants must have proof of the bank transfer, upon arrival.

4. PARTICIPATION RULES

To participate in an IJF WJT event each participant is responsible to follow:

- The rules to enter the host country and the local government health measures.

Any participant is eligible to inscribe in the competition provided he/she is:

- Not under a disciplinary suspension.
- Not under suspension for anti-doping rule violation.
- Not carrying any communicable diseases that may risk other delegates' health.

In addition to the above athletes must:

- Not be under medical suspension.
- Be healthy and fit for competition see 4.1.



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- Hold a current and valid licence (membership) issued by a national federation currently affiliated to the IJF see 4.2.
- Pay the appropriate entry fees in full before the deadline set in the event outlines.
- Check in at accreditation (see schedule of accreditation in the event outlines).
- Meet the weigh-in requirements.
- Provide photographic proof of their identity and date of birth (see 4.3) using a valid current passport or a current national identity card see 4.2.
- All athletes must have obtained the minimum grade of first kyu.
- Have sufficient technical knowledge (know the terminology and can execute all the techniques in the IJF **SOR** Appendix H) and understand fully the IJF sport and refereeing rules.
- Have a signed and approved individual Liability Release Waiver (LRW) in **my.ijf.org**. The form can be found in the documents section: **www.ijf.org/competition/2540**

4.1 MEDICAL CERTIFICATES

Athletes have to upload their medical certificate to compete, issued (maximum 30 days before the start of, and valid for the full length of the Abu Dhabi World Championships Veterans 2023) by an authorised body of the country they represent to **my.ijf.org** (for help contact **covid@ijf.org**).

Athletes may be asked to present the hard copy of their certificate upon request.

Certificates must be issued in or translated to one of IJF's official languages (English, French, Spanish).

4.2 NATIONALITY

The nationality of athletes will be taken as that which is indicated in their current passport or current national identity card. Athletes may be a member of a national federation that is not the same nation as their passport/national identity card.

4.3 MINIMUM AGE

The minimum age for participation is to be 30 years or over in the year of the event.

This defines the age at which athletes first become eligible to compete. Once an athlete has become eligible, they will be allocated into their appropriate five-year age category e.g., M1/F1 will consist of athletes who have their 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd or 34th birthday and the M2/F2 will consist of athletes who have their 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th or 39th birthday at any date during the year of the world championships.

5. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Name	UAE Judo Federation
Address	Al Mushriff, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E.
Telephone	+971024430022
Event website	www.uaewjf.com
Email	s.alkitbe1@gmail.com

PAY ATTENTION TO FRAUDULENT EMAILS. USE ONLY THE EMAIL ADDRESSES FROM THE OFFICIAL OUTLINES.



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6. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE EVENT CONTACTS

Accommodation	Laura MARIN	adveterans2023@mgoevents.com	+34608530991
General enquiries	Khalifa Salem ALQUBAISI	5alifa777@gmail.com	+971509941885
Training	TBC	TBC	TBC
Visa	Mahmoud SAMY	visa@uaewjkg.com	+971551447186
Emergency (24 hours, English-speaking)	TBC	TBC	TBC

7. COMPETITION VENUE

Name	University Paris Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
Address	Al Reem Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Website	https://www.sorbonne.ae
Number of spectator seats	TBC

8. ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

Each individual is responsible to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter, COVID-19 etc.) for the host country. Entry rules may be subject to change, the current information can be found here:

<https://www.etihad.com/en/travel-updates/abu-dhabi-travel-information>

<https://www.emirates.com/ae/english/help/covid-19/dubai-travel-requirements/tourists/>

The LOC will assist with visas where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant. Visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in **judobase** for the event.

It is the responsibility of the National Federation to ensure that their delegation respects the conditions of stay defined by the Government of the country hosting the event. If any participant does not respect these conditions, any costs arising will be borne by the National Federation concerned.

Please note that visa approvals or rejections are done by the Government authorities and the LOC has no control over this and cannot be held responsible for any rejections.

Complete the forms	Abu Dhabi Veterans 2023 Form Visa Info Abu Dhabi Veterans 2023 Form Visa List		
Deadline	1 October 2023		
Visa contact	Mahmoud SAMY	visa@uaewjkg.com	+971551447186



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9. PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	PLACE
Monday 30 October 2023	10:00 - 12:30	Accreditation and weigh-in M6, M9	TBC
	13:00 - 15:30	M7, M8	
	15:30 - 16:30	Late arrivals M6, M7, M8, M9	
	17:00	Draw: M6, M7, M8, M9	
	19:00	Referee Meeting	
Tuesday 31 October 2023	TBC	Competition day 1: M6, M7, M8, M9	University Paris Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
	10:00 - 13:00	Accreditation and weigh-in M1	TBC
	14:00 - 16:30	M3	
	16:30 - 17:30	Late arrivals M1, M3	
	18:00	Draw M1, M3	
Wednesday 1 November 2023		Competition day 2: M1, M3	University Paris Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
	TBC*	Preliminaries (3 tatami)	TBC
	10:00 - 13:00	Accreditation Weigh-in M4	
	14:00 - 16:30	M5	
	16:30 - 17:30	Late arrivals M4, M5	
18:00	Draw: M4, M5		
Thursday 2 November 2023		Competition day 3: M4, M5	University Paris Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
	TBC*	Preliminaries (3 tatami)	TBC
	10:00 - 13:00	Accreditation Weigh-in F1-9	
	14:00 - 16:30	M2	
	16:30 - 17:30	Late arrivals F1-9, M2	
18:00	Draw: F1-9, M2		
Friday 3 November 2023		Competition day 4: F1-9, M2	University Paris Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
	TBC*	Preliminaries (3 tatami)	

* The start time will be confirmed once the final number of athletes is known.

10. TRANSPORT

Transport from train/bus station and airport is not provided by the local organising committee.

Internal transport (to sport hall, training etc.) schedules can be found on the event official noticeboards in each hotel.



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11. PRE-EVENT TRAINING

Training during the event is the responsibility of the LOC. Planning and scheduling of training sessions will be organised taking into consideration requests made by delegations daily on a first request made first served basis. To book training contact the LOC.

Training venue	TBC		
Address	TBC		
Training dates	Sunday 29 October - Wednesday 01 November 2023		
Training times	09:00 - 21:00		
Booking	TBC		
Contact	TBC	TBC	TBC

12. ACCOMMODATION

All delegations, who inscribe for an IJF WJT event, must reserve their accommodation in one of the official hotels published in the event outlines. The reservation must be made with the local organising committee (not directly with the hotel) for a minimum of two (2) nights. This two night rule does not apply to the host National Federation delegates.

MAKE SURE THAT YOUR ROOM IS BOOKED ACCORDING TO YOUR TRAVEL INFORMATION (CHECK-IN IS AT 14:00).
e.g., flight arrives at 00:30hrs on the 21 June, the room should be booked from the 20 June.

Any damage to hotel property resulting from the stay of a National Delegation will be charged to the National Federation and must be paid in full. Delegations are kindly requested not to dry clothing (including judogi) or have training sessions in the corridors of the official hotels.

Complete the form	Abu Dhabi Veterans 2023 Form Accommodation		
Deadline final reservation and full payment	24 September 2023		
Accommodation contact	Laura MARIN	adveterans2023@mgoevents.com	+34608530991

Note: The local organising committee will do their best to provide your first choice of accommodation but, as rooms might be limited, this cannot be guaranteed. After the accommodation deadline, the local organising committee cannot promise rooms in the hotels detailed in these outlines and another official hotel may be added.

The following packages are available in the delegation hotels:

Bed and breakfast includes breakfast at the hotel.

Half board includes breakfast and dinner at the hotel

Full board includes breakfast and dinner at the hotel and lunch at the hotel.



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CATEGORY A - Le Meridien Abu Dhabi

CATEGORY A - Le Meridien Abu Dhabi	
Address	Al Zahiyah, Tourist Club Area, Abu Dhabi, UAE, 46066, +97124019000
Website	https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/auhmd-le-meridien-abu-dhabi/overview/
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	10:00 - 15:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Late check-out	12:00 - 18:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Airconditioning	Yes
Gym	Yes (6:30 - 23:00)
Wi-Fi	Yes
Room service	Yes
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

All prices are per person per night in: **euro**

CATEGORY A - Le Meridien Abu Dhabi	Bed and breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	185	210	235
Twin	105	130	155
Lunch at the hotel	25		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required.		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport (info only, no transfers will be arranged)	34.6	00:30
Training	TBC	TBC
Accreditation	TBC	TBC
Sport hall	5.4	00:11



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CATEGORY B - Ramada Abu Dhabi Corniche by Wyndham

CATEGORY B - Ramada Abu Dhabi Corniche by Wyndham	
Address	Al Meena St, Al Zahiyah, Abu Dhabi, UAE, +97124019000
Website	https://ramadaabudhabi.com
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	10:00 - 15:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Late check-out	12:00 - 18:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Airconditioning	Yes
Gym	Yes (08:00-21:00)
Wi-Fi	Yes
Room service	Yes
A La Carte restaurant	Yes
Food delivery allowed	Yes

All prices are per person per night in: euro

CATEGORY B - Ramada Abu Dhabi Corniche by Wyndham	Bed and breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	120	140	160
Twin	70	90	110
Lunch at the hotel	20		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required.		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport (info only, no transfers will be arranged)	38.4	00:35
Training	TBC	TBC
Accreditation	TBC	TBC
Sport hall	5.3	00:11



CATEGORY B - Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham

CATEGORY B - Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham	
Address	Junction of Salaam Street and Corniche Road, Abu Dhabi, 44916, UAE, +97126765000
Website	https://www.wyndhamhotels.com
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	10:00 - 15:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Late check-out	12:00 - 18:00, 50% of the room rate will apply
Airconditioning	No
Gym	Yes (24 hours)
Wi-Fi	Yes
Room service	No
A La Carte restaurant	No
Food delivery allowed	No

All prices are per person per night in: euro

CATEGORY B - Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham	Bed and breakfast	Half board	Full board
Single	120	140	160
Twin	70	90	110
Lunch at the hotel	20		Included
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required.		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport (info only, no transfers will be arranged)	34.9	00:27
Training	TBC	TBC
Accreditation	TBC	TBC
Sport hall	6.2	00:13



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13. OFFICIAL IJF BACKNUMBER

Each competitor is obliged to have sewn on the back of his judogi a backnumber bearing their last (family) name and National Olympic Committee abbreviation. The last (family) name (and any part of their given (first) name) on the back number must have the same letters as that registered in judobase as this database provides the accreditation cards, athlete name on TV graphics and scoreboard etc. The top of the backnumber must be fixed horizontally and centrally three (3) cm from the bottom of the collar.

The backnumber can only be ordered from www.officialbacknumber.com or www.mybacknumber.com

The backnumber should comply with the current IJF judogi regulations which can be found in the IJF **SOR**.

SEWING SERVICE

The LOC will provide delegations with a sewing service. They have the right to charge for this service. The place, time and rate (if applicable) will be communicated to delegations on the event's official notice boards. In case of non-respect of the place and persons providing this service to the delegations, the LOC, in agreement with the IJF, may refuse this service to those who were disrespectful.

14. OFFICIAL JUDO GI

Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white and blue) from one of the following official suppliers can be found here: www.ijf.org/supplier-list

For further information on the judogi rules please refer to the IJF **SOR**.

The judogi control will be done before each contest.

15. GENERAL INFORMATION

INSURANCE

Each national federation is directly responsible for its athletes (the control of non-pregnancy and the control of gender). It must assume all responsibility for accident and health insurance as well as civil liabilities during all IJF events for everyone under their charge.

National federations are responsible to provide insurance guarantees to their delegates during any IJF WJT event. The LOC of the event and the IJF will not be responsible in the absence of insurance. The entity contractually bound to the IJF for the organisation of the event shall take all necessary actions to provide insurance coverage against civil liability for the entire duration.

It is the responsibility of the National Federation to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any COVID-19 related costs, including repatriation.

The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event nor any claims relating to the cancellation of the event due to COVID-19 or medical costs for any COVID-19 related illness that may affect a National Federation delegation member during the event.



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CONSENT FOR USE OF DATA/PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOS/FILMING

Participants in WJT events consent to the IJF and its media partners to use content of them, including data, live results, photographs and/or video recordings (hereafter referred to as media). This media may be obtained from national federations and IJF.

It will also be acquired by the IJF and its media partners from in and around all IJF WJT event venues. Media could be used in print and digital media formats including print publications, websites, e-marketing, posters banners, advertising, film, broadcast, social media, education purposes and other purposes.

The national federation must ensure that they have the permission of each delegate. If a delegate does not give consent for use of data, photography, videos and filming then the national federation must inform the International Judo Federation by writing to registration@ijf.org

COMPETITION RULES FOR VETERANS

The IJF competition rules will apply with except for modifications made to age divisions (IJF **SOR** section A1.4), category combining (IJF **SOR** section A1.7), contest and golden score duration (IJF **SOR** section A1.6). A registered competitor can use their athlete accreditation to coach. An additional coach accreditation is not required. Any athletes who choose also to coach their colleagues and then don't follow IJF **SOR** section 7.1 Coaches' Code of Conduct risk being removed from the competition (i.e., no longer allowed to compete if applicable).

AGE DIVISIONS FOR VETERANS

Athletes will be allocated an age division based on:

- Meeting the entrance criteria of a minimum of 30 years of age within the year of the event and,
- Their date of birth in line with a five-year age range:

Age division	Actual age (in the year of the event)
F1/M1	30-34
F2/M2	35-39
F3/M3	40-44
F4/M4	45-49
F5/M5	50-54
F6/M6	55-59
F7/M7	60 - 64 (no shime-waza)
F8/M8	65 - 69 (no shime-waza)
F9/M9	70+ (no shime-waza)



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In order to facilitate the best possible application of the category combining policy (see below) in situations of potentially a small number of entries and all the female categories will be held on the same day.

WEIGHT CATEGORIES FOR VETERANS

Women: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg, -63 kg, -70 kg, -78 kg, +78 kg
Men: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73 kg, -81 kg, -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg

TIME DURATION OF CONTESTS FOR VETERANS

Duration (minutes) for individual events will be as follows:

- M1/F1 to M6/F6: three (3) minutes.
- M7/F7 and over: two and a half (2.5) minutes.

Age range	Age Division	Contest Duration	Golden Score
30-59	M1/F1 to/including M6/F6	3 minutes	No limit
60+	M7/F7 to/including M9/F9	2.5 minutes	1 minute*

*If a tie exists at the end of the 1 minute golden score time, the referee, in consultation with the table jury will determine the winner without calling hantei.

CATEGORY COMBINING FOR VETERANS

To facilitate the best possible application of the category combining policy it will be used when a category has a small number of entries, and all the female categories will be held on the same day.

A technical official from the IJF will delegate responsibility to a suitable individual, representing the host organisation, who will be responsible for operating the category combining policy. This policy applies to all weight categories within all age divisions.

Category combining may only be applied to categories where there are less than three entrants. If category combining cannot be achieved safely and according to the guidelines, then a pool of two (2) elimination system may be considered. The best of three contests between the two (2) athletes, if the result is 2-0 then the third contest will not be fought.

- Combining within the same age division - athletes should remain within their age division if possible.
- Combining using weight categories – athletes should only be combined with other athletes who are no more than one weight category lighter or one weight category heavier. Special consideration should be given to the actual weight differences when dealing with the lightest and the heaviest female and male categories (as a guideline a maximum of 10 kg actual difference when combining the lightest weight category and a maximum of 20 kg actual difference when combining the heaviest weight category should be considered as a limit unless there are other compensatory factors such as experience etc.). Weight should be the primary consideration when moving athletes about within their own age division or combining them with other age divisions in accordance with the guidelines below.



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AGE DIVISIONS:

- Athletes in age divisions M7 or F7 and above (M8/F8 and M9/F9) may only be combined with other athletes who are no more than one age division higher or more than one age division lower i.e., athletes in M7/F7 may only be combined with athletes from M6/F6 or M8/F8.
- Athletes in divisions M6 or F6 may be combined with athletes no more than one age division higher or two age divisions lower. i.e., M7/F7, M5/F5 and M4/F4.
- Athletes in divisions M5 or F5 may be combined with athletes no more than one age division above or two age divisions below i.e., M6/F6, M4/F4 and M3/F3.
- Athletes in divisions M4 or F4 may be combined with athletes no more than two age divisions above or two age divisions below i.e., M5/F5, M6/F6, M3/F3 and M2/F2.
- Athletes in divisions M3 or F3 may be combined with athletes no more than two age divisions above or two age divisions below i.e., M4/F4, M5/F5, M1/F1 and M2/F2.
- Athletes in age divisions M2 or F2 may only be combined with athletes two age divisions above and one age division below i.e., M3/F3, M4/F4 and M1/F1.
- Athletes in age divisions M1 or F1 may only be combined with athletes in two age divisions above i.e., M2/F2 and M3/F3.

Age Division	Higher Age Division	Lower Age Division	Age Span
F1/M1	F2/M2, F3/M3	Not applicable	30-44
F2/M2	F3/M3, F4/M4	F1/M1	30-49
F3/M3	F4/M4, F5/M5	F1/M1, F2/M2	30-54
F4/M4	F5/M5, F6/M6	F2/M2, F3/M3	35-59
F5/M5	F6/M6	F3/M3, F4/M4	40-59
F6/M6	F7/M7	F4/M4, F5/M5	45-64
F7/M7	F8/M8	F6/M6	55-69
F8/M8	F9/M9	F7/M7	60-70+
F9/M9	Not applicable	F8/M8	65-70+

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DRAW FOR VETERANS

The draw for the individual weight categories will take place at 19.00 hours on the day before the competition. Information on the exact location of the individual weight category draws will be displayed on the event official notice board. There is no seeding for this event.

A complete list of athletes who have successfully fulfilled the weight requirements will be displayed outside the room where the official draw will take place a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the draw starting. Team officials from each country (or individual athletes) must check this list to ensure that all their athletes are on the list in the correct age division and weight category. The IJF Veterans Commission take no responsibility for someone who is not included in the draw because they were missing from the list, and no one from the delegation checked.

WEIGH-IN

The weigh-in will take place the day before the competition as indicated in the programme. There is no random weigh-in for veterans.

COMPETITION SYSTEM FOR VETERANS

The type of competitions system to be applied in the competition will depend on the number of entries as follows:

Competition systems according to number of participants:

- 6 and more entries: double repechage
- 3, 4, 5 entries: round robin
- 2 entries: best of 2 contests, if 1-1 the third contest will decide.

In case the number of participants in a category is not sufficient, (age and/or weight) categories will be combine according to IJF **SOR**. All the contests in any one age division will be held on the same day.

The IJF do not have team events for veterans. If other organisations choose to hold team events the rules should be clearly defined in the event outlines.

AWARDING CEREMONY FOR VETERANS

Each athlete who has won a medal must be present at the ceremony to receive their medal personally. Any athlete who is absent from the awards ceremony without a good reason may forfeit the medal.

Athletes must attend the medal ceremony barefoot, without any hat, cap or any similar head covering and wearing their IJF approved white judogi that conforms to the IJF judogi rules with special attention being paid to the publicity rule. If it is not clean, then they must wear a reserve judogi.

It is strictly prohibited for athletes on the podium to have national flags or similar items other than those on their judogi. Any demonstration with religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited. Medals will only be awarded to athletes who fought in the category. The number of athletes competing determines the eventual medal allocation.



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The medal distribution rule is as follows:

- One athlete - no medal will be awarded (the athlete will receive a participation medal from IJF. There will be no flag, national anthem during this awarding ceremony)
- Two athletes – two medals awarded only if the second placed athlete has won at least one contest. In the case of no contest won there will only be one medal awarded.
- Three athletes – three medals will be awarded only if the third-place athlete has won at least one contest. In the case of no contest won there will only be two medals awarded
- Four athletes – three medals awarded
- Five athletes – three medals awarded
- Six or more athletes – four medals awarded

If a category has been combined the only medals awarded will be the one set of medals for the athletes in that combined category.

Awards for the recognition of exemplary behaviour that promotes the spirit of judo and/or fair play may be awarded at the discretion of the IJF Veterans Commission.

REFEREES

Referees will be nominated by the IJF Referee Commission and IJF Veterans Referee Director.

Referee meeting: A meeting will take place on **Monday 30 October 2023 at 19:00** and attendance at this meeting is compulsory for all referees. This meeting location will be located at the host hotel.

REFEREE TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION COSTS

The national federations, or individual nominated referees, will be responsible for their own travel expenses.

The local organising committee will provide a twin occupancy (2 separate beds) room and full board for nominated referees.



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INFORMATION FOR MEDIA

1. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

All local and international media representatives participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the International Judo Federation (IJF) Officials, the IJF Statutes, the IJF Sport and Organisation Rules (**SOR**) and the IJF Anti-Doping Rules (<https://www.ijf.org/cleanjudo/133>), as well as the media protocol in place on spot. Individuals deemed to have acted against the IJF, its principles or purposes should be subject to suspension or expulsion from the event and/or cancellation of their accreditation cards.

2. DEADLINES FOR MEDIA

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before competition day 1	Deadline	Action
30	1 October 2023	Visa application (with passport photocopies)*
7	23 October 2023 23:59 CET	http://ijfmedia.datastat.si

*All media representatives must have the necessary documents to enter the host country, including a visa if necessary.

All requests are subject to approval by the IJF and the LOC, so the inscription is not a guaranty to be accredited. All accreditation requests coming after the deadline will be refused.

3. PARTICIPATION RULES

- International and local media must inscribe in the IJF media platform - <http://ijfmedia.datastat.si>
- Have a signed and approved individual Liability Release Waiver (LRW). The form can be found in the documents section: www.ijf.org/competition/2540 and www.covid.ijf.org and sent to covid@ijf.org
- Accommodation and local transport is the responsibility of each media participant.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION

INSURANCE

Everyone is responsible for their own insurance and must assume all responsibility for accident and health insurance as well as civil liabilities during any IJF WJT event. The LOC of the event and the IJF will not be responsible in the absence of insurance.

The entity contractually bound to the IJF for the organisation of the event shall take all necessary actions to provide insurance coverage against civil liability for the entire duration. It is the responsibility of the media participant to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any COVID-19 related costs, including repatriation.



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The LOC of the event and the IJF accept no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event nor any claims relating to cancellation of the event due to COVID-19 or medical costs for any COVID-19 related illness that may affect a media participant during the event.

COMPETITION RULES

All media matters are the responsibility of the IJF Media Director. They are not allowed to film, or photograph injured or bleeding athletes anywhere in the venue.

Media are not allowed to access the warm-up area unless special access has been granted from the IJF. This must be proposed and granted by the IJF at least two weeks before the competition. Any member of the media who does not follow the above risks losing their accreditation and access to the competition.

Religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited for everyone on the field of play.

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RESPECT TOWARDS ATHLETES

Throughout the event, from arrival to departure, media representatives must observe strict respect for the athletes and their delegation. The delegations need calm to prepare and concentrate, the international media will only have access to the athletes under the conditions of the competition, at the stadium, in a mixed zone.

Any other request must be the subject of a written request to the IJF: press@ijf.org

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