2026 IBSA JUDO

World Championships

25 – 27 September 2026

Tbilisi, Georgia

Dear IBSA Judo Family,

Tbilisi, Georgia is well-known in the IJF Judo Family for hosting major events in previous years, but in 2026 Tbilisi is going to host IBSA Judo World Cup Championships for the first time.

IBSA Judo World Championships Tbilisi 2026 will be the biggest
Paralympic sports competition of the year.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Rati Ionatamishvili

President of the Georgian Paralympic Committee

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. DEADLINES AND KEY DATES

Action	Date
Deadline for entry by number on ISAS	30.06.2026
Deadline for entry by name	20.07.2026
Deadline for visa request	20.07.2026
Deadline for flight information	20.07.2026
Deadline for accommodation form	20.07.2026
Deadline for full payment	20.07.2026
Arrival (check-in after 3 Pm)	19-22.09.2026
Accreditation	20-21.09.2026
Classification*	22-23.09.2026
Training	19-24.09.2026
Draw & coaches meeting	24.09.2026
Competition	25-27.09.2026
Competition's departure (check out before 12:00 PM)	28.09.2026

***All athletes who need classification MUST arrive on 21 September 2026**

2. PARTICIPACION RULES

All judokas must possess the IBSA ISAS code. All IBSA athletes must be registered on the IBSA Sport Administration System (ISAS). Entries should be made by the ISAS Online Registration System 60 days before the event **https://www.ipc-services.org/isas/** and through the forms for the organizing committee. Registration made only in ISAS will not be considered and registration made only with the LOC will not be considered. Both must be completed and submitted within the deadline stipulated by the LOC.

All IBSA member federations, officials, coaches, and athletes participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the IBSA Officials, the IBSA Statutes & rules, the IJF Sports and Organization Rules (SOR), the IBSA Refereeing Rules and IBSA IJR. Individuals deemed to have acted against the above-mentioned rules, its principles, or purposes shall be subject to suspension or expulsion from the event and/ or cancellation of their accreditation cards.

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

- Holder of IBSA Athletes License for the current year (athletes).
- From a Federation that has paid IBSA Membership fee for the current year.
- Having valid eye classification.
- Not under a disciplinary suspension.
- Not under suspension for anti-doping rule violation.
- Not under medical suspension.
- Healthy and fit for competition.
- Do not carry any communicable diseases that may risk other delegates' health.
- Participating athletes must be born in 2011 (15 years in the calendar year) or before.
- Sufficient technical knowledge and fully understands the IBSA and IJF sport and refereeing rules.

Please remember that you must complete ISAS registration for every IBSA Championship:

• You should complete ISAS entry by number.

• You should complete ISAS entry by name.

• All athletes need to be licenced on ISAS. For licensing, you need to upload passport/face photo/Athlete Eligibility Agreement/personal information/MDF/Anti-Doping Certificate to be sent to cate to Juliana@ibsasport.org / paying invoice/send proof of payment to IBSA Finance finance@ibsasport.org

Please check these links with all important information:

- Anti-Doping Certificate https://ibsasport.org/news/anti-doping-education-and-cooperation-with-national-federations/
- Licensing an athlete https://ibsasport.org/news/how-to-use-isas-a-guideline-for-ibsa-members/

All athletes participating must hold a current 2026 ISAS license.

Each IBSA Member can inscribe a maximum of two (2) athletes per category for this event.

One athlete can fight only in one class and weight category in an event.

3. EYE CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE

Classification will be done according to the IBSA Classification, which can be found on this page on the IBSA Website.

The Classification Process is as follows:

1. The first step in the classification process is to establish that the athlete has an Underlying Health Condition (UHC) that leads to an eligible vision impairment. This is done by classifiers who review the athlete's Medical Documentation Form (MDF) and supporting medical documents. This review takes place before the athlete is assigned a classification evaluation appointment. If the information is not complete, or there is not sufficient evidence of an UHC leading to an eligible vision impairment, the athlete will not be scheduled for a classification appointment.
2. Once an UHC is established, the athlete can be scheduled for a classification evaluation appointment.
3. At the classification evaluation appointment, the classification panel will
    a. confirm (or not) the UHC,
    b. if the UHC is confirmed, the classification panel will proceed with a vision assessment to determine
        i. if the athlete meets the minimum impairment criteria,
        ii. assign a sport class and sport class status to the athlete

All athletes must be licensed for the current year.

Submission Deadline

- MDFs must be received by no later than 20th July 2026. Athletes will be assigned a classification appointment only after the MDF and supporting medical documents have been approved by the classifiers as establishing an UHC and any additionally requested information has been received, reviewed, and accepted as sufficient.

Only Athletes with a sport class status of Confirmed, Review or Review Fixed Date after international classification at the Competition will be eligible to compete.

Reminder:

The IBSA Medical Documentation Form (MDF) can be found on this page on the IBSA Website.

The MDF must indicate if the athlete wears optical correction (glasses, contact lenses, filters) either when they compete or in daily life. Optical Correction must be brought to the classification appointment.

During the classification, athletes must attend with their best possible optic correction. Athletes who wear contact lenses are obliged to bring their contact lenses and the characteristics of those contact lenses to classification. All athletes to be classified at an event need to be ready for classification at the first hour on the first day and rested especially if the travel has been long distance. Sleepy/tired athletes cannot cooperate well, and they risk not being classified. Late arrivals will not be considered for the Classification schedules.

4. BEFORE TRAVELLING

- Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival.
- Check host country entry requirements and airline requirements (if applicable).
- Check if you need a visa, and if yes, request it from the LOC.
- Each IBSA member Federation is responsible for ensuring **adequate insurance** in the case of injury, illness, quarantine, repatriation, etc. of any member from their delegation during the event.
- All accommodation fees must be paid in advance of the event by bank transfer.

In order to run the competition properly, all competitors must arrive two days before the day of the competition!

5. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

Name	Georgia Paralympic Committee
Adress	Beliashvili Str. #5, Tbilisi, Georgia
Email	georgianparalympic@gmail.com

6. LOCAL EVENT CONTACTS

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Visa			
Training			
Emergency (24 hours, English-speaking)			
Transportation	**Tatia Darsavelidze**	darsavelidze@cu.edu.ge	
Finances	**Sofio Giorgidza**	sofiigiorgidze@gmail.com	

7. COMPETITION VENUE

Name	Hualing Tbilisi Sea Plaza
Address	22 J. Lezhava Str, Tbilisi
Number of mats	2

8. COMPETITION CATEGORIES

8.1. INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

This competition will be conducted in accordance with the 8 official competition categories approved by the IPC for the 2024-2028 Paralympic cycle for Para Judo:

WOMEN	MEN
J1 -52 kg	**J1 -70 kg**
J2 -52 kg	**J2 -70 kg**
J1 -60 kg	**J1 -81 kg**
J2 -60 kg	**J2 -81 kg**
J1 -70 kg	**J1 -95 kg**
J2 -70 kg	**J2 -95 kg**
J1 +70 kg	**J1 + 95 kg**
J2 +70 kg	**J2 +95 kg**

8.2. TEAM COMPETITION

Delegations interested in participating in the team competition may register their teams during accreditation. The deadline for registration of teams will be at the break of the first day of competition (25.09.2026). The draw for the team's event will take place during the break on the second day of competition (26.09.2026).

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the latest IBSA Judo Teams Competition Rules, IJF SOR, IJF Refereeing Rules and IJF Anti- Doping Rules. The system of competition for IBSA Judo Teams events will be:

- Elimination system with double repechage (6 or more teams).
- Round Robin (5 or fewer teams).

WOMEN

Category	Athletes who didn't compete in individual event	Athletes who competed in an individual event (5% tolerance)
J1 -52 kg	Up to and including 52 kg	Up to and including 54,6 kg
J2 -60 kg	Over 52 kg and up to and including 60 kg	Over 52 kg and up to and including 63 kg
J1 +60 Kg	Over 60 kg	Over 60 kg

J2 -52 KG	Up to and including 52 kg	Up to and including 54,6 kg
J1 -60 kg	Over 52 kg and up to and including 60 kg	Over 52 kg and up to and including 63 kg
J2 +60 Kg	Over 60 kg	Over 60 kg

MEN

Category	Athletes who didn't compete in an individual event	Athletes who competed in an individual event (5% tolerance)
J1 -70 kg	Up to and including 70 kg	Up to and including 73,5 kg
J2 -81 kg	Over 70 kg and up to and including 81 kg	Over 70 kg and up to and including 85 kg
J1 +81 Kg	Over 81 kg	Over 81 kg
J2 -70 kg	Up to and including 70 kg	Up to and including 73,5 kg
J1 -81 kg	Over 70 kg and up to and including 81 kg	Over 70 kg and up to and including 85 kg
J2 +81 Kg	Over 81 kg	Over 81 kg

Minimum number of athletes by team: 4 at 4 different categories

Maximum number of athletes by team: 12 (2 for each category)

Two (2) coaches and one (1) doctor per team will be allowed to enter the field of play. Athletes should enter the field of play in the order that they will compete in.

Before each mat the team leader must select the athletes for each contest. He/she can select one of the athletes who can compete in each category (see the tables above). If the team has the possibility to put an inscribed athlete in a category, he/she must do so. An athlete cannot be rested for one match and return for the next unless he/she has been replaced by another inscribed athlete.

Each athlete is entitled to compete in their own weight category or in the next higher weigh category. J1 Athletes are allowed to compete at J2 category*

*See tables below

Women's Event	Can also compete in		
J1W -52 kg	J2W -52kg	J1W -60kg	J2W -60kg
J2W -60 kg	J2W +60kg		
J1W +60 kg	J2W +60 kg		
J2W -52 kg	J2W -60 kg		

J1W -60 kg	J2W -60 kg	J1W +60kg	J2W +60kg
JW2 +60 kg			

Men's Event	**Can also compete in**		
J1M -70 kg	J2M -70kg	J1M -81kg	J2M -81kg
J2M -81 kg	J2M +81 kg		
J1M +81 kg	J2M +81 kg		
J2M -70 kg	J2M -81 kg		
J1M -81 kg	J2M -81 kg	J1M +81kg	J2M +81kg
J2M +81 kg			

9. DRAFT PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	PLACE
19.09.26	All Day	Arrivals	Tbilisi Int. Airport
20-21.09.26	All Day	Accreditation	Hotel & Preference Hualing
	All Day	Training	Hotel & Preference Hualing
22-23.09.26	9:00-18:00	Classifications	TBS
	9:00- 19:30	Training	Hotel & Preference Hualing
24.09.26	09:00-20:00	Training	Hotel & Preference Hualing
	11:00-12:00	Draw & coaches meeting	Hotel & Preference Hualing
	14.00-16:45	Judogi pre-control	Hotel & Preference Hualing
	17:30-18:00	Unofficial Weigh-in	Hotel & Preference Hualing
	18:00-18:30	Official Weigh-in Women: J1 -52 kg, J2 -52kg & J2 -60 kg Men: J1-70 kg, J2-70 kg & J1-81 kg	Hotel & Preference Hualing
COMPETITION DAY 1			
25.09.26	8:00-8:15*	Random Weigh-in Women: J1 -52 kg, J2 -52kg & J2 -60kg Men: J1-70 kg, J2-70 kg & J1-81 kg	Hualing Plaza
	09:00*	Preliminaries Women: J1 -52 kg, J2 -52kg & J2 -60kg Men: J1-70 kg, J2-70 kg & J1-81 kg	Hualing Plaza

	13:00-14:00	Unofficial Weigh-in	Hualing Plaza
	14:00-14:30	Official Weigh-in Women: J1 -60kg, J1 -70kg, J2 -70kg, J1+70 kg, J2 +70 & Men: J2 -81 kg, J1 -95 kg, J2-95 kg, J1 +95 kg & J2 +95 kg	Hualing Plaza
	17:00*	Final Block and awarding ceremonies	Hualing Plaza
COMPETITION DAY 2			
26.09.26	8:00 - 8:15*	Random Weigh-in Women: J1 -60kg, J1 -70kg & J2 -70kg Men: J2 -81 kg, J1 -95 kg & J2-95 kg	Hualing Plaza
	09:00 h*	Preliminaries Women: J1 -60kg, J1 -70kg, J2 -70kg, J1+70 kg, J2 +70 & Men: J2 -81 kg, J1 -95 kg, J2-95 kg, J1 +95 kg & J2 +95 kg	Hualing Plaza
	14:00-14:30	Teams events weigh-in (check the rules**)	Hualing Plaza
	30 minutes after preliminaries.	Team's events draw	Hualing Plaza
	One hour after preliminaries*	Final Block and awarding ceremonies	Hualing Plaza
COMPETITION DAY 3: Teams Event			
27.09.26	10:00*	Preliminaries	Hualing Plaza
	After	Final Block and awarding ceremonies	Hualing Plaza
28.09.26	Until noon	Departure to Airport for all delegations	Tbilisi Int. Airport

IMPORTANT REMARKS

Please note that the **WJ1 -60 kg and MJ2 -81 kg categories will be contested on the second day of competition, Saturday, September 26.**

The starting time of the competition may change depending on the final number of registered athletes. Random weigh in will be modified accordingly.

A judogi pre-control will be held on the 24.09.2026 at the official hotel. This control is compulsory for all the athletes, who must be present at the established deadline with the white and blue judogis that they will use in the competition, as well as the belt.

The official weigh-in for the second day and third days of competition will take place in the sport hall at 14:00h.

**TEAM'S EVENT WEIGH-IN RULES:

- Athletes who competed on first day will be required to weigh-in at the team's event weigh-in, but will have a margin of 5% of their body weight.
- Athletes participating in the second day of competition will not need to be weighed at the team's event weigh-in
- Athletes who did not participate in the individual competition will not have a margin and must adhere to the limits of their weight category.

10.ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

For those participants who need a visa the LOC will assist where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant. 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 form	Visa request form for IBSA Judo World Tbilisi 2026		
Deadline	20.07.2026		
Visa contact	Tinatin	tbilisijudo@gmail.com	

Countries requiring a visa must send a complete list of participants with full names, passport numbers, date of birth and residence along with scanned copies of all passports prior to the established deadline.

Name	Surname	Role	Birthday	Residence	N. Passport	Passport Expiry Date

11.TRANSPORT

The organiser will provide official transportation for competing delegations during the competition. This transportation service includes airport transfers from 19.09.2026 to 28.09.2026.

To guarantee airport transfers, arrival and departure details for each participant should be included in accommodation form. Please check again at accreditation.

Transfer for the event will be arranged from/to		
Airport	Tbilisi International Airport	
Transport contact	Tatia Darsavelidze	darsavelidze@cu.edu.ge

12.ACCOMMODATION

All delegations, who inscribe for an IBSA JUDO event, must reserve their accommodation in one of the official hotels published in the event outlines. The reservation must be made with the LOC (not directly with the hotel). If this is not respected accreditation will not be given.

If rooms need to be cancelled, please inform the organizer immediately.

Cancellation of rooms cannot be made at check-in. Illness, injuries or visa problems are not valid reasons for the cancellation of rooms. If rooms are cancelled the organizer has the right to charge the participating delegation as follows:

Up to 19.08.2026- full refund.

From 20.08.2026 – 09.09.2026 - 50% refund.

From 19.09.2026 – 19.09.2026 (expected arrival) - no refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid.

Reservations of extra rooms at the check-in may be surcharged with an additional 10%. However, a room booking on site cannot be guaranteed.

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	IBSA JUDO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 ACCOMMODATION, PASSPORTS AND FLIGHTS INFORMATION		
Deadline final reservation and full payment	Final reservation: 20.07.2026 Full Payment: 20.08.2026		
Accommodation contact	Tinatin	tbilisijudo@gmail.com	+995 595 600 622
Visa contact			

Note: The LOC 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 organizer cannot promise rooms in the hotels detailed in these outlines and another official hotel may be added.

Hotel	**HOTEL & PREFERENCE HUALING**
Address	Tbilisi Sea New City
Check-in time	15:00
Check-out time	12:00
Early check-in	must be requested individually
Late check-out	must be requested individually

Prices: all prices are per person per day in euros

	per person per night
Single room	220 €
Twin Room	200 €

Distance and approximate travel time from the hotel to	km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	13 km	30 min
Sport hall	3 km	5 min

PAYMENT

Full payments must be paid via bank by the 20th July 2026

All bank fees and bank transfer costs are paid by the participating National Federation. All bank details will be on the invoice. All accommodation fees should be paid in advance of the event by bank transfer. Cash payments will be accepted only with a guarantee letter, and in case of Late Payment or cash payment upon arrival 250 € fine will be added to the participation fees.

If payment is made by bank transfer the bank information must be inserted correctly and completely on the transfer document and any procedures related to the amendment of the bank transfer must be done before arrival.

Delegations must ensure that all bank charges are paid at their end so that the organizers receive the correct amount of funds without any deductions.

The person attending accreditation must bring proof that the bank transfer. Full payments were paid via bank transfer by 20.07.2026.

In Case of withdrawal of any participant after 20.07.2026, no refund will be made of their payment

ENTRY FEES

• IBSA capitation fees:

100 € per athlete

50 € staff member

LOC will collect IBSA Capitation Fee

• IBSA Classification Fee:

100 € per athlete. IBSA will invoice each country after the Entry by Name deadline, based on the number of athletes requiring classification. The invoice must be paid to IBSA prior to the classification day. These funds contribute to the development and sustainability of the IBSA classification system, including classifier education, international classification panels, classification database management, and the centralized classification project.

Late ISAS registration

After the official ISAS registration deadline, late registration will be possible under the following conditions:

Entry by Number:

A late Entry by Number registration on ISAS will be accepted until 2 weeks before the start of the competition.

Fee: €250 per country

Requests must be sent by email to sports@ibsasport.org

Entry by Name:

A late Entry by Name registration on ISAS will be accepted until 2 weeks before the start of the competition.

Fee: €150 per athlete (if the athlete does not require classification)

Fee: €250 per athlete (if the athlete requires classification)

Requests must be sent by email to sports@ibsasport.org

13.TRAINING DURING THE EVENT

Training during the event is the responsibility of the organising federation. 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	Preference Hualing Hotel
Training dates	20-26.09.2026
Training times	09:00-20:00
Booking	LOC

14.DOPING CONTROL

Athletes` Eligibility

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

- Not under suspension for anti-doping rule violation (IBSA or any other ADO).
- Had sent to IBSA the Anti-Doping Education Certificate (valid)

Doping Control

In all IBSA Events it is mandatory to carry out anti-doping controls according to the regulations of the IPC and IBSA.

Doping Control will be carried out by the Sample Collection Authority appointed by LOC in accordance with IBSA the Anti-Doping Rules and management where all the data will be managed by ADAMS.

Prior to doping control, athletes can take part in the awarding ceremony and fulfil their press commitments or receive medical treatment if needed. The selected competitors will be constantly accompanied by an official chaperone (appointed by the organizing committee) from the time of notification until arriving at the Doping Control Station or ending the process. A person of the athletes' choice (team doctor, coach, trainer, delegation head etc.) may accompany them. IBSA keeps the right to test any participating athlete beyond the above selection during an event. All additional tests are deemed in-competition tests. At its own discretion IBSA may allow Testing Authorities to conduct out-of-competition tests as well.

For more information; link to IBSA Anti-Doping Website

Participating Delegation Members are encouraged to complete online learning on anti-doping; link to WADA's ADEL system.

The National Federation is responsible for obtaining legal approval and permission for minor athletes to compete in competitions. When travelling with minors the team official/coach must have all the necessary documents in place that authorizes them to act on behalf of the parents/guardians "in loco parentis". This also applies to doping control. The National Federation must ensure that minor athletes have their parental/guardian permission to undergo testing.

15.POST EVENT SURVEY

After each event a questionnaire will be sent to your constructive comments and feedback and how to improve the next edition of the event.

16.GENERAL INFORMATION

16.1. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the latest IBSA Judo Rules, IJF & IBSA Judo Refereeing Rules, IJF Code of Ethics, IBSA Judo Classification Rules and current IBSA Anti-Doping Rules.

All IBSA member federations, officials, coaches, and athletes participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the IBSA Officials, the IBSA Statutes & rules, the IJF Sports and Organization Rules (SOR), the IBSA Refereeing Rules and IBSA Judo Rules. Individuals deemed to have acted against the above-mentioned rules, its principles, or purposes shall be subject to suspension or expulsion from the event and/or cancellation of their accreditation cards.

16.2. 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 IBSA Judo Events for everyone under their charge. National Federations are responsible to provide insurance guarantees to their delegates during any IBSA Judo Event. The LOC of the event and IBSA will not be responsible in the absence of insurance. The LOC of the event and IBSA have no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event.

16.3. CONSENT FOR USE OF DATA/PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOS/FILMING

Delegates inscribed by their National Federations for IBSA Judo Events consent to the IBSA 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 IBSA.

It will also be acquired by IBSA and its media partners from in and around all IBSA Judo 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 or in the case of a minor the permission of the parent/guardian. If a delegate does not give consent for use of data, photography, videos and filming then the National Federation must inform IBSA by writing to **sports@ibsasport.org**

16.4. ACCOMMODATION

All delegations, who inscribe for an IBSA Judo 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).

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The minimum reservation for a delegation is two (2) nights, multiplied by the total number of people inscribed.

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. 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.

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16.5. COMPETITION RULES

System of competition:

- 6 or more athletes: Eliminatories + Double repechage
- 5 or less athletes: Round robin
- Duration of contests: four (4) minutes (real time).

Competition categories:

- Men: J1 -70 kg, J1 -81 kg, J1 -95 kg, J1 +95 kg & J2 -70 kg, J2 -81 kg, J2 -95 kg, J2 +95 kg
- Women: J1 -52 kg, J1 -60 kg, J1 -70 kg, J1 +70 kg & J2 -52kg, J2 -60 kg, J2 -70 kg, J2 +70 kg

Each IBSA Member can inscribe a maximum of two (2) athletes per category for this event.

16.6. INSCRIPTION OF DELEGATES

Only entries of member National Federations/Unions/Committees will be accepted.

Athletes can be entered in ONLY one category per IBSA Judo Event. In the event of a change in the athlete's visual classification but the athlete is still eligible to participate in the championships, the IT expert of the competition shall be responsible for making the change in the athlete's entry before the draw is made.

Each person can only be inscribed with one function (i.e. athlete, coach, referee, team official etc.) per event.

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Each National Federation may enter:

• Up to 16 entries for women with maximum 2 athletes per category.

• Up to 16 entries for men with maximum 2 athletes per category.

16.7. ACCREDITATION

The purpose of accreditation is to identify people and their roles at events and allow them necessary access to perform their roles. At least one team delegate must attend on time to confirm the entries of all athletes and officials with a signature on the delegation confirmation list. A delayed appearance or no-show may result in the exclusion of all participants from the draw and the event.

For each official team member from a national delegation (athletes, coach, team official, doctor etc.) an accreditation card is issued by IBSA Judo during the official registration. A delegate should never wear another delegate’s accreditation card.

The accreditation card remains the property of the IBSA Judo and can be withdrawn, with immediate effect, at the IBSA’s sole discretion. The accreditation card is valid for the duration of the competition and is the personal identity document of the delegate for all security and access controls. This card contains: last (family) name, first (given) name, country, a picture and for athletes their competition category.

16.8. DRAW AND SEEDING

Up to a maximum of the top four athletes among the entered athletes in each category will be seeded based on their IBSA Judo WRL position.

The draw will be held on 24.09.2026

16.9. OFFICIAL JUDOGI

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 (www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/21).

16.10. 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 ISAS 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.

Please, order your backnumber from www.officialbacknumber.com or https://www.mybacknumber.com/

Athletes who have been classified as J1 shall use a red circle on their backnumber. Deaf athletes shall use a yellow circle on their backnumber. The place of the mark of red and yellow circle is on the backnumber and not the side of the sleeve of the judogi.

Those athletes definitively classified as J1 should order their backnumbers with the red circle printed on them (option available at www.officialbacknumber.com). The organization will provide red and yellow stickers for those athletes who did not have a definitive classification prior to their arrival at the event.

16.11. JUDOGI AND BACKNUMBER PRE-CONTROL

The IBSA Judo will arrange a judogi and backnumber pre-control on the day when the draw is made. The judogi pre-control is compulsory for all competing athletes. For this purpose, the competitors should wear their judogi with the belt tightened. For the backnumber pre-control, athletes must bring both

judogi (white and blue), for a control regarding any worn-out areas particularly on the collar and lapel, the colour, the IJF official label (obligatory), judogi brand (obligatory), national emblem, advertising, backnumber stitching, and any visible stains. Only if the judogi are compliant with the IJF and IBSA Judo rules will sponsor labels be given.

Athletes must show up for the backnumber pre-control. If they fail to do so, without a valid reason, the athlete will not be allowed to have a coach in the chair.

The official sponsor label of the event will be given provided that:

• The judogi are clean and dry.

• The backnumber, publicity and emblem are properly sewn and do not show any wear or tear.

• All previous advertising has been removed. Guide to attaching and removing the sponsor label:

• Lay the judogi flat and attach the new sponsor label of the event on the back of the correct judogi.

• Ensure the label is firmly attached around the edges.

• Immediately after the competition and before washing remove the sponsor label.

In case there are no official sponsor labels, the local organisers will provide a small stamp for the inside of the judogi when approved. This stamp must go with the washing.

The LOC has the right to charge for any sewing service that is deemed larger than a small repair.

16.12. COMPETITION DAY JUDOGI CONTROL

Regardless the backnumber and judogi pre-check has been passed, the local organizers will inspect the judogi size and validity during the judogi control before each contest. The backnumber and publicity should comply with the current IBSA, IJF, and local organizer agreement.

Only those judogi who have passed the judogi pre-control will be admitted to this rapid control.

LOC will provide spare judogi (for payment) to those athletes who do not have a valid judogi. In that case, the athlete will not be allowed to be directed by his coach during the bout and will be escorted to the tatami by a volunteer.

16.13. WEIGH IN

The weigh-in will be carried out in accordance with the IJF SOR. The official weigh-in for athletes will be scheduled the day before the competition (see programme for times and places).

As a general rule, the official weigh-in will take place at the official hotel the day before the start of the competition. On competition days, the weigh-in will take place at the sport hall, during the break between the preliminaries and final block.

The athletes must bring their passport and accreditation to the official weigh-in.

TEAM'S EVENT WEIGH-IN RULES:

- Athletes who competed on first day will be required to weigh-in at the team's event weigh-in, but will have a margin of 5% of their body weight.
- Athletes participating in the second day of competition will not need to be weighed at the team's event weigh-in
- Athletes who did not participate in the individual competition will not have a margin and must adhere to the limits of their weight category.

16.14. RANDOM WEIGH IN

A draw will be held to determine which athletes must undergo this weight control on each competition day.

The list of selected athletes will be published one hour before the start of the competition each day. From that moment on, the selected **athletes will have 15 minutes** to go to the random weigh-in room located in the sports hall**. The weight of the athletes cannot be more than 5 % higher than the official maximum weight limit of the category.** In the event that the athlete has a weight greater than this limit or less than the minimum weight of his/her weight category after the 15-minute time limit established for the random weigh-in has expired, the athlete will not be allowed to participate in the competition.

The athletes do not need to bring their passports, as their accreditation is sufficient for identification.

16.15. WORLD RANKING POINTS

An athlete is in the competition only once they pass the eye-examination and official weigh-in.

In the event that an athlete has passed the eye examination and the official weigh-in but does not win any bout, he/she will get half of the points established for the position in which he/she is finally placed.

Any athlete who does not come to the tatami for a contest will have a line put through his/her name on the draw sheet. His/her opponent must come to the tatami and bow. He/she will be declared the winner by fusen gachi and WRL points will be given.

16.16. REFEREEING

The contests will be refereed by International Referees (IJF A level with IBSA Judo license) selected by the IBSA Judo Referee Commission with the collaboration of the IJF Referee Commission.

The referees will use the CARE system. The referees are awarded qualification points after the competition.

16.17. COACHING

Coaches nominated by their IBSA Member Organization should respect the IBSA and IBSA Judo Rules. Any coaches not adhering to these rules could be subject to disciplinary action.

16.18. AWARDING CEREMONY

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 wear 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. Athletes must also be available for interview after the last award ceremony if requested by the Media Team of the event.

VIPs and officials must wear formal suit and shoes: jacket, trousers, shirt and tie. Women may wear a skirt, blouse and neckerchief.

16.19. MEDICAL MATTERS

During a contest a bleeding injury may be treated by the doctor on two (2) occasions. If the same bleeding requires treatment for the third time, the referee should declare the opponent the winner by kiken-gachi. However, the IBSA/IJF Ad Hoc Commission in consultation with the Medical Commissioner can decide to allow the same bleeding injury to be treated more than two (2) times. If bleeding cannot be stopped, the Medical Commissioner will inform the referee who declares the opponent the winner by kikengachi.

For the preservation of athletes' joint health, especially of those who lack experience in self-treatment, athletes are allowed to seek medical help for finger/toe joint resetting, including resetting and taping to secure the joint.