



**2020 USA JUDO Junior Olympic National and
International Championships**

**June 19-20, 2020 National Competition
June 21, 2020 International Competition**

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

EVENT INFORMATION PACKET

Hosted by:	Visit Winston-Salem
Tournament Headquarters Hotel	Best Western Plus-University Inn 3050 University Parkway Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105
Competition Site:	Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex 414 Deacon Blvd. Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105
Check-in	Thursday June 18: See schedule of events for details
Weigh In	See Schedule of Events
Competition Date:	Friday June 19: regular national Bantam, Cadet and Intermediate Saturday June 20: regular national Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories Sunday June 21: all international categories
Tournament Director:	Contact the National Office for questions at 719.866.4730
Chief Referee	To be announced

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 18

Best Western Plus-University Inn

8:00am – 12:00pm	Tournament check-in and registration for all national competitors – international competitions may check in
8:00am – 12:00pm	Weigh-ins for national regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet Categories
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Categories posted for confirmation-all national categories
5:00 pm	Technical Officials Meeting
6:00 pm	Referee Meeting
7:00 pm	Coaches Meeting
8:00 pm	Draw for all national competition categories

Friday, June 19

Competition at Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex

7:30 am	Doors open
8:00 am	Referees meeting at venue
8:45 am	Welcome Ceremony
9:00 am	Competition begins for national regular Bantam, Intermediate and Cadet Categories
11:00am - 12:00pm	Weigh-ins for national regular Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories

Saturday, June 20

Competition at Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex

7:00 am	Doors open
7:30 am	Referees meeting at venue
8:30 am	Competition begins – national regular Juvenile, IJF, and all novice categories
9:00am-12:00pm	Check-in/registration and weigh in for all international categories.
2:00pm-3:00pm	Categories posted for confirmation-international categories
8:00pm	Draw for all international categories

Sunday, June 21

Competition at Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex

7:00am	Doors open
7:30am	Referee meeting at venue
8:15am	Welcome Ceremony
8:30am	Competition start for all international categories

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

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding this event.

REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEES, TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN

Registration Dates/Entry Fees:

Due Date	1st Category	2nd Category	3rd & subsequent Categories (each)
On line registration by May 7	\$85.00	\$70.00	\$55.00
On line registration May 8- June 12	\$100.00	\$80.00	\$70.00
Walk up registration after June 12	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$75.00

- All registrations must be completed on line, no mail in registration
- On-line registrations will not be accepted after June 12. Entries should be hand carried to event and will be considered walk-up registrations at this point
- Athlete's date of birth, citizenship and rank, if applicable, must be verified in the USA Judo database prior to using the online event registration system. Send copies of athlete's birth certificate or passport and rank certificate to Austin.leath@usajudo.us. Verifications will only be processed during normal business hours Monday through Friday 8:00am-4:00pm MT.
- Checks should be made payable to 2020 USA Judo National Junior Olympic Championships
- Entry fee discounts must be for the same athlete
- Entry fees are non-refundable and credits will not be issued i
- Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 12:00 p.m. Thursday June 18

SPECTATOR ADMISSION FEE

Age	One Day	Two Day	Three Day	Sunday Only
13 and up	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$5.00
9-12	\$8.00	\$14.00	\$19.00	\$5.00
8 & under	Free	Free	Free	Free

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

CHAMPIONSHIP HOTEL

Headquarters: Best Western Plus-University Inn
3050 University Parkway
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105

Rate: \$119 per night plus tax (includes breakfast)

Deadline Date: Book by **June 8** to receive discounted rates.

TRANSPORTATION

Air Transportation: Piedmont Triad Airport is approximately 30 minutes from Winston-Salem.. Book through the United Olympic Travel Desk and receive discounted airfare. Call 800-841-0460.

Ground Transportation: No ground transportation will be provided. Best Western Plus-University Inn is within walking distance of the venue.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ATHLETES

Contestants may participate if they meet the following eligibility requirements:

National Competition-Friday and Saturday

U.S. Citizens and athletes who meet the criteria of the International Judo Federation's (IJF) refugee program, and are currently approved with proof of documentation/acceptance from the IJF to participate in the refugee program, may compete in the following categories. Please provide a copy of the necessary documents to Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us

- Regular Bantam 1
- Regular Bantam 2
- Regular Bantam 3
- Novice Bantam 3
- Regular Intermediate
- Novice Intermediate
- Regular Juvenile
- Novice Juvenile
- Regular Cadet
- Novice Cadet
- Regular IJF
- Novice IJF

International Competition-Sunday only

U.S. Citizens, athletes holding Green Cards or VISA's, approval letter from an IJF recognized international federation or athletes who meet the criteria of the International Judo Federation's (IJF) refugee program and are currently approved with proof of documentation/acceptance from the IJF to participate in the refugee program are eligible to compete in the following categories. Please provide a copy of the necessary documents to Corinne.shigemoto@usajudo.us.

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- Regular Bantam 2
- Regular Bantam 3
- Novice Bantam 3
- Regular Intermediate
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- Regular Juvenile
- Novice Juvenile
- Regular Cadet
- Novice Cadet
- Regular IJF
- Novice IJF

1. A current member in good standing of USA JUDO (United States Judo, Inc.) for all athletes competing in the national competition regardless of citizenship.
2. A current member in good standing of USA Judo for all athletes competing in the international categories except athletes with international federation approval letters.
3. Point Roster criteria can be found at <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-judo/athletes/juniors>
4. Rank requirements for junior categories:
 - Regular categories-all ranks eligible
 - Novice categories-white, yellow or orange belts only

JUNIOR AGE CATEGORIES OF COMPETITION AND WEIGHT DIVISIONS

Please note that each Category is based solely on the year in which the contestant was born. All weights are in kilograms. For each weight division, the weight range will be over the next lower weight and up to and including the weight listed. Example: Bantam 1, 28 kg – over 23 kg and up to and including 28 kg. The following age/weight categories will be in use **for this year's event (2020)**:

REGULAR JUNIOR CATEGORIES NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL:

Bantam 1 (Born 2014-2015): Female and Male: 23, +23 kg	JUVENILE (Born 2006-2007): Female and Male: 36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg
Bantam 2 (Born 2012-2013): Female and Male: 23, 27, 31, 35, +35 kg	CADET (Born 2003-2005): Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg
Bantam 3 (Born 2010-2011) Female: 27, 32, 37,+37 kg Male: 25, 30, 36, 42, +42kg	IJF-Junior (Born 2000-2005): Female: 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open Male: 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, Open
INTERMEDIATE (Born 2008-2009): Female and Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52kg	

NOVICE JUNIOR CATEGORIES: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL:

Bantam 3 (Born 2010-2011) Female: 27, 32, 37,+37 kg Male: 25, 30, 36, 42, +42kg	CADET (Born 2003-2005): Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg
INTERMEDIATE (Born 2008-2009): Female and Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52kg	IJF-Junior (Born 2000-2005): Female: 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, Open Male: 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, Open
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The IJF-Junior Category is the same as the International Judo Federation Junior World Championships Category. Athletes may enter if they are born in 2000 through 2005 only.

WEIGH-IN

See Schedule of Events for times of weigh in. A calibrated practice scale will be available prior to, and during, the weigh-in periods. However, in no case will contestants be allowed on the Official Scale during Official Weigh-In for the purpose of checking weight. Contestants may check weight as many times as desired prior to the designated time of the official weigh-in on the official scale. A contestant is given only one chance on the official scale during official weigh-in. At weigh-in, athletes in the regular Cadet AND IJF- Junior categories must present a government issued photo ID or school ID.

Naked weigh-in is no longer allowed for any category. To compensate, 0.1kg will be allowed. For example, in the 44kg category, the limit will be 44.1kg. This is a clothing allowance only and the 0.1kg will only be added to the true weight.

Athletes competing in two categories (same weight) on separate days need only to weigh one time prior to their first day of competition. If weight /age categories are different, athlete must reweigh during official weigh in for that category.

Athletes competing in the national and international categories in the same category/weight must reweigh during the international weigh in on Saturday but will be allowed a 1 kilo allowance. Athletes competing in different categories/weights will not be allowed a 1 kilo allowance

IMPORTANT: Athletes must make their declared weight as registered unless a change is made during the check in/registration process prior to getting on the official scale. Athlete may change weight category during check in/registration. Failure to make declared weight will result in the athlete not competing. Athlete will not be moved to next weight category. Once official weight is recorded, no changes to weight category will be accepted. NO CHANGES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT WEIGH IN.

CHECK IN

Only check in if you have a change to your weight or category. Please proceed directly to weigh-in if you have no changes. **No changes will be allowed at weigh-in.**

CLUB AFFILIATION

Only current USA Judo clubs, at the time of registration, will be associated with the athlete's entry. Non-USA Judo clubs will not be affiliated with a registered athlete. Club affiliation is not required to compete in these championships.

*****CONFIRMATION OF CATEGORIES/DRAW*****

A preliminary list of athletes by category/weight will be posted at the Best Western Plus-University Plus on Thursday June 18 at approximately 2:00pm PT. Athletes/coaches/representative for the athlete is required to check the list to ensure the athlete is in the correct category/weight as declared.

- Any corrections should be reported immediately to staff but no later than 3:00pm ET. A correction form will be provided to record the correction. Corrections WILL NOT be accepted after (3:00pm ET).

- Corrections will be processed then the draw will be run. Draw brackets and fight sheets will be posted online at www.usjudo.org.
- **IMPORTANT:** This period is for corrections /confirmations only, of changes made during the check in/registration time period. **NO CHANGES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

A representative for each athlete must review the posted preliminary list to ensure the athlete is in the correct category. Failure to confirm or make corrections during the Confirmation of Categories period may result in the athlete **NOT COMPETING IN THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS**. All draws will be conducted using USA Judo approved software. See Rules and Method of Competition for all seeding information. With the exception of seeding, the draw will be random. Once the draw is complete, there will be no changes.

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

COACH INFORMATION

All Coaches must adhere to the following dress code during the event. Failure to adhere will be grounds for removal of coaching credentials.

Acceptable apparel: national or club team track suit (sweat suit) with polo shirt; business casual attire; dress jeans (no holes or markings); button down shirts or polo shirts. Dress shoes, sneakers (tennis shoes). Forbidden apparel: flip flops, sandals, shorts, tee-shirts, hats, head coverings.

All coaches must be current/active USA Judo, USJA or USJF coach certified to receive coaching credentials at this event. Credentials will be issued at the coaches meeting.

RULES AND METHOD OF COMPETITION

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

Competition Method: The standard (“true”) Double Elimination System with winner’s and loser’s brackets will be used. The winner of the loser’s bracket will compete against the winner of the winner’s bracket for 1st 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.

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Round Robin Clarification:

- If Athlete A pulls out before finishing competition against other athletes in the category and does not go out onto the mat, all points won or lost associated with Athlete A are removed. No medal is awarded to Athlete A
- If Athlete A cannot finish competing but goes out onto the mat (field of play), then Athlete B wins and is awarded ippon points. Athlete A receives 0 points.
- If Athlete A, who did not finish competing but went out onto the mat, they are eligible to medal.

Seeding: There will be no seeding with the exception of the IJF-Junior and Cadet categories. The top four athletes will be seeded in each division. If seeded athlete is not present, the other athletes WILL move up in seeding. Players having the same state affiliation will be placed as far apart in the bracket as possible.

- All athletes must compete in their true age/weight category.
- **Shime-waza rule:** allowed in regular and novice Juvenile, Cadet and IJF categories only.
- **Kansetsu-waza rule:** allowed in regular Cadet and IJF categories only.
- **Injury Rule:** Decisions regarding on mat injuries, are to be resolved in accordance with IJF rules; such decisions occurring off the mat or not covered by the IJF rules, are to be made by the coach, the athlete, and the Team Doctor. If there is not a unanimous opinion among these three individuals, the athlete **may not** continue (Board-approved October 22, 1998.)

Match lengths:

- Bantam - 3 minutes/ 2-minute golden score
- Intermediate and Juvenile - 3 minutes/no golden score limit
- Cadet and IJF - 4 minutes/ no golden score limit

NATIONAL COMPETITION TEAM AWARDS

Teams will be awarded points for the following:

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| 1. Regular Categories | 2. Novice Categories |
| a. 1 st place – 5 points | a. 1 st place – 3 points |
| b. 2 nd place - 3 points | b. 2 nd place – 2 points |
| c. 3 rd place – 1 point | c. 3 rd place - 1 point |

The team with the most points at the conclusion of the event will be named Team Champion for the 2020 Junior Olympic National Championships.

Criteria:

1. Athletes must declare a current/active USA Judo club by the end of registration.
2. No club will be allowed to register at the event.
3. Trophies will be presented to the top three teams after competition.

USA JUDO TEAM CUP

1. Totals will be comprised from the 2020 Youth National, Senior Nationals, Junior Olympics and Presidents Cup Championships.
2. The cup will be engraved with the winning team's name.
3. The Cup will be presented to the winning team at the 2021 Youth Nationals.

JUDO GI

For all categories, regardless of age, blue and white gi requirement is mandatory. IJF approved labeled gi's are not required but must meet fit requirements. Back patches are not required.

AWARDS

Individual Awards: Gold, Silver and Bronze (one bronze) medals will be awarded for first, second and third places for all divisions

Athletes must wear either a clean full white judo gi or full team sweats on the awards podium. No additional items may be taken/worn on the podium (flags, hats, pictures, flowers, stuffed animals, etc.).

NOTICE OF POSSIBLE TESTING FOR BANNED SUBSTANCES

IJF Junior and Cadet Categories only, testing, in accordance with procedures of the U.S. Olympic Committee may be conducted by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA). For questions concerning whether or not a substance banned, you may call the Drug Reference Hotline at 1.800.223.0393. Correspondence and inquiries: USADA, 555 Tech Center Drive Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80919. Visit <http://www.usantidoping.org/> for more information.

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