

Judo By-Laws 2007**1. Competition Rules**

The competition will be organised under the International Judo Federation rules.

2 Island Representation

2.1 Individual Events: Maximum of 2 competitors from each Island for each weight category, male and female

Team Event: Maximum of 7 competitors made up of one person from each of the weight categories subject to a minimum of 4 competitors from four different weight categories

2.2 Weight Categories

Men 60kg, 66kg, 73kg, 81kg, 90kg, 100, + 100kg

Women: 48kg, 52kg, 57kg, 63kg, 70kg, 78kg, + 78kg

2.3 Teams consisting of up to 7 athletes, may be accompanied by 1 official, 1 referee, 1 coach and 1 doctor, unless the athletes are both men and women, where 2 coaches shall be accepted, one for each case.

2.3.2 Teams consisting of more than 7 athletes may be accompanied by 2 officials, 2 referees, 2 coaches and 1 doctor.

2.4 Technical Meetings

2.4.1 One Pre-competition Technical Meeting and one Post-Competition Technical Meeting will be held during each Games.

2.4.2 The Pre-Competition Technical Meeting will include in its agenda both the Referees Meeting and the Draw for all categories.

2.5 Weigh In

2.5.1 Weigh in, for both days, will take place in the Athletes Village:

2.5.2 **Unofficial weigh in:** 07.00am – 08.00am

2.5.3 **Official weigh in:** 08.00am – 09.00am

2.5.4 For the information of weight categories, a tolerance of 1kilo shall be granted at the weigh in.

2.5.5 A weight category for the individual competition shall comprise a minimum of 6 entries; otherwise it shall be cancelled

2.5.6 An athlete in the Individual Competition, entered in a weight category which is to be cancelled according to the above, shall have the right to participate in the immediately heavier category, provided that his/her coach agrees with this and that the difference his/her weight and the weight of the lightest participant in the heavier category is no more than 5 kilos for categories in the male competition from 60kg to 81kg inclusive and in the female category from 48kg to 63kg inclusive and 8kg in any of the heavier categories.

2.5.7 Any change of weight category must be notified by the Sport Team Manager to the Pre Technical Meeting before the draw takes place.

2.5.8 The Team Competitions are regarded as a separate event and the participating athletes shall - weight in again on the morning of the respective day. -

2.6 **Judogi**

2.6.1 Only blue and white judogi shall be used and this only in the appropriate place of the tatami. The athletes shall supply their own white and blue judogis. The jugodi must be delivered upon arrival to the organizer at the Judo desk in the Sports Information Centre at the Athletes Village, so that the bibs of the organization can be sown on to them.

3 Individual Competition

3.1 In order for an athlete to be declared a medal winner (i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd places) it will be necessary for him/her to have won at least one real fight (2 competitors on the tatami-fusen gachi is not considered to be a real win, only a step entitling the present competitor to continue), during the competitions in his/her category. A coincidental placement is not enough for a medal to be awarded.

3.2 A Minimum of 6 participants per weight category shall compete according to a pool system on a round robin basis. The 6 participants shall be divided into 2 pools A and B and at the end of the pool fights they shall participate in semi-finals and finals with the top two competitors in each pool going through. The winner of pool A shall fight the second in pool B and the winner of pool B shall fight the second in pool A. With the winners shall compete for gold and silver with both losers being awarded a bronze medal

3.3 In the event of 2 pools a participant who ranks 2nd in his/her pool by coincidence without having achieved a real win (absence of opponent), shall be entitled to enter the finals but will receive a medal only if he/she achieves at least one real win at that stage.

3.4 If during the fights within a pool (up to 6 participants) a contestant fails to present himself/herself for a fight when he/she is called upon for any reason (injury or other) and whatever the order of that fight is he/she will be regarded as not having participated from the beginning and the results of his/her fights so far shall be eliminated and shall not contribute to the rankings either for him/her or for his/her opponents

3.5 In the event of there being more than six participants the event shall be carried out on a knockout basis under the double repechage system accepted by the International Judo Federation with the finalists competing for the gold and silver medal and with the finalists from the repechage both being awarded bronze medals.

3.6 In all competitions if a contestant fails to present himself/herself for one of his/her fights he/she shall not be permitted to participate in further fights (if any). However in the knockout system he/she will maintain the placement he/she reached on his/her last fight.

4 Team Competitions

- 4.1 In order to be able to participate, a team must cover a minimum of 4 weight categories.
- 4.2 Each team shall be entitled to enter a reserve in every weight category. An athlete can be used as a reserve in the category in which he naturally belongs and the immediately heavier one.
- 4.3 In the case of the absence of a contestant in a weight category his opponent – if any – shall receive a score of 10, and such total shall contribute to the total of the team score (fusen gachi is valid in team competitions).
- 4.4 The minimum entry for the team competition to take place is 6 teams.
- 4.5 In the event of 6 teams entering then the competition shall take place on a pool system on a round robin basis and on the same basis as the individual competition. If there are more than 6 competitions then the event will take place on a knockout basis under the double repechage system but otherwise on the same basis as individual competitions.

5 Age.

- 5.1 Men:
The minimum age for competitors will be 16 years old in the year of the competition.
- 5.2 Women:
The minimum age for competitors will be 16 years old in the year of the competition.