INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION



EVENT OUTLINES FOR DELEGATIONS

Krakow World Championships Kata, Poland 13-14 September 2022

#JudoKata (Version 05 July 2022)





























@MariusVizer

Dear judo family,

We welcome you to Krakow in Poland for the 2022 edition of the World Championships for Kata.

We are proud to present this stage for our kata to be able to display skills ingrained during their many years of judo.

The city of Krakow was Poland's capital through the medieval years and this presents, to all visitors, a spectacular architectural backdrop and a culturally rich experience, fitting for our judo community to enjoy.

Following a successful edition in Portugal in 2021, now that the world is even more open again, we look forward to all our kata participants returning to the tatami.

We wish all participating athletes, visiting delegations and the wider judo family a healthy and successful tournament, filled with the greatest team spirit and an always exemplary show of respect and friendship.

Poland welcomes you!

Yours in judo,

Mr Marius L. VIZER
President
International Judo Federation







Dear Judo Friends,

Welcome you to the 2022 Judo Kata World Championships in Kraków, Poland.

This will be the first World Judo Championships held in Poland. On behalf of the Polish Judo Association, I would like to thank the International Judo Federation for the opportunity to organize the championships in our country. We are very grateful and feel honored for entrusting us with the organization of this event.

In recent years, Judo Kata in Poland is developing very strongly and our last year successes from the European Championships make us look with confidence and optimism for the future of Judo Kata in Poland.

This event will bring immense opportunities to see the best athletes showing their precision and perfection. We will use this opportunity to improve our skills to quickly join to the world's kata leaders.

I believe that this will be an exciting championships at the highest level. I wish all the competitors success and an unforgettable experience from Kraków.

See you in Kraków!

Mr Jacek Zawadka
President
Polish Judo Association





IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

ANYONE NOT FOLLOWING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND IJF COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE EVENT AND SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION!

With any COVID-related questions pre-event, please contact: covid@ijf.org

The fundamental principle throughout all IJF events during the COVID-19 era is to Protect and Be Protected by respecting the recommendations of "IJF COVID-19 Protocol". All participants have the mutual responsibility to protect each other.

Recently the IJF made amendments to the IJF COVID-19 Protocol due to the participant vaccination/recovery levels reaching 85%, allowing us to have reduced measures at events. We will continue to monitor the global and host country situation and further amendments may be made.

It is the responsibility of each participant to follow the IJF COVID-19 Protocol and amendments that are in force at the time of the event which can be found here: **covid.ijf.org**

These event outlines will be updated as follows:

- 1 August 2022 including proposed COVID protocol for the event in line with host country regulations
- 28 August 2022 including FINAL COVID protocol for the event in line with host country regulations

The COVID-19 vaccines provide protection to the vaccinated only against seriously falling ill, but not against getting infected or transmitting the virus to somebody else, even if the chances of the latter is very low.

Therefore, until vaccination reaches a high level among the judo family and there are other effective preventive methods available, or until it is globally accepted to conduct activities without safety measures, all the participants of any IJF event must follow the same protocol to protect and be protected, in the spirit of unity and solidarity which is in our community's moral code.

Further softening of the IJF COVID-19 Protocol is at 90% or higher vaccination level.

We strongly encourage all judo family members to get vaccinated or get their booster dose to contribute to the overall protection level of the IJF World Judo Tour events.

To maintain the required safety level at the IJF events, the following variants of vaccination are recognised as complete vaccination and the bearers as "fully vaccinated" within the validity period.

In case the validity expires during an event, the status is upheld until the last day of the event.

The IJF accepts all vaccination types, not only EMA or WHO approved products. Vaccination validity is subject to change according to WHO recommendations.





Minors (under 18) are considered fully vaccinated after completing the first series of vaccination with no end of validity until further decision.

Please note that the host country vaccination criteria may differ from the IJF's, always check the local rules before travelling.

		Type of protection	Minimum time elapsed	Maximum time elapsed
		1 dose (Janssen, Sputnik Lite, or other)	Minimum 28 days from receiving the dose	Maximum 6 months from receiving the dose
1st ser	ries of	2 doses of any 2 dose vaccines	Minimum 14 days from the 2nd dose	Maximum 6 months from the 2nd dose
vaccin	ation	Recovery from infection and 1 dose	Minimum 14 days from receiving the dose	Maximum 6 months from receiving the dose
		1 dose and recovery from infection	Minimum 11 days from the positive PCR	Maximum 6 months from the positive PCR
Additi serie vaccina	es of	Booster/revaccination dose(s)	From the day of vaccination	To be determined by the WHO, currently no end of validity
Reco	very	Recovery from infection	Minimum 11 days from the positive PCR	Maximum 6 months from the positive PCR

^{*}Where the protection level is expressed by a fraction number, a quotient of the number of received doses/ number of required doses, all with the sum higher than 1, e.g., 2/1, 3/1, 3/2, etc. are also considered as having the booster dose.

EVENT PARTICIPATION

To participate in an IJF World Judo Tour (WJT) event everyone is responsible to follow:

- The rules to enter the host country.
- The local organising committee's government COVID-19 measures.
- The IJF COVID-19 Protocol rules and amendments at the time of the event.

The local organising committee's government measures may be stricter than those detailed in the IJF COVID-19 protocol or vice versa, the stricter rules MUST be followed.

INSURANCE

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 local organising committee of the event and the IJF accept no liability for 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 national federation delegation member during the event.





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 local organising committee according to the details in the visa section.
- Upload travel information (arrival and departures) to my.ijf.org for help contact covid@ijf.org
- Book a minimum of two (2) nights accommodation with the local organising committee.
- Upload in advance to my.ijf.org any required pre-event COVID-19 documents.
- Upload in advance to my.ijf.org medical certificate to compete.
- Have a signed and approved individual Liability Release Waiver (LRW) in my.ijf.org The form can be found
 in the documents section: https://www.ijf.org/competition/2159

ENTERING 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.gov.pl/web/diplomacy/visas
- https://secure.e-konsulat.gov.pl/

DURING THE EVENT

For more details please see the IJF COVID-19 Protocol: covid.ijf.org

- Wash/sanitise your hands regularly. Athletes should wash and disinfect their hands and feet regularly.
- No handshake greet each other with a bow.
- Maintain 1.5 m distance at all times, except for athletes during training, their contests and during warming
 up with ONE PARTNER. The IJF Medical Commission strongly recommend the wearing of masks in areas
 where social distancing is not possible, e.g., during air travel even if it is not required, in hotel lobby, etc.
- Submit yourselves to contactless temperature measurement. Anyone registering a high temperature will be asked to remain at a designated place. An opportunity to recheck their temperature will be given, if it is still high, a final decision will be made by the local organising committee's COVID-19 manager and the IJF COVID-19 manager.





1. DEADLINES

PLEASE RESPECT ALL DEADLINES AND RULES DETAILED IN THESE OUTLINES.

Days before competition day 1	Deadline	Action
90	From 13 June 2022	Hotel first reservation
30	14 August 2022	Visa application (with passport photocopies)
30	14 August 2022	Hotel final reservation and full payment
30	14 August 2022	Arrival and departure information uploaded to my.ijf.org
20	24 August 2022	Full refund in case of hotel cancellation (medical reason e.g., sick or COVID-19 positive, must send medical certificate)
8	5 September 2022	Event inscription (Judobase)

2. EVENT INSCRIPTION AND ENTRY FEES

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

All participants must have a valid IJF veteran/kata card (IJF International cards are not accepted) and be inscribed in judobase (**www.judobase.org**). This registration should be made through the national federation by **5 September 2022**. For assistance, please contact **registration@ijf.org** before the end of the deadline.

Entries	Price
Krakow world championships kata competition	110 euro per athlete

The costs for travel, board and lodging of the judges are at the costs of the member national federation.

3. FORMS

The following online form must be filled for competitors, judges, officials, candidates for IJF kata judges' certification and VIPs.

Download form on: http://gofile.me/5dWKp/yfG81BNcs

Upload filled form on: https://forms.gle/hmbB18PdimFcncqf7 or email to: daniel.deangelis59@gmail.com

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 (registration@pzjudo.pl).





4. 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 participating national federation to the following bank:

Beneficiary's name	Polish Judo Association
Bank name	Santander Bank Polska S.A.
Bank address	Macedonska 14, 02-761 Warsaw
IBAN	PL 21 1090 2011 0000 0001 3384 2846
BIC/SWIFT	WBKPPLPP
Payment reference	NATIONAL FEDERATION NAME - KRAKOW WCK 2022

Bank Address: IBAN: SWIFT address: 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.

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

If participation is cancelled the local organising committee has the right to charge as follows:			
Accommodation - 100% refund (medical reason e.g., sick or COVID-19 up to and including 24 August			
positive, must send medical certificate) from	2022		
Accommodation - 50% refund (no medical reason) from	up to and including 24 August 2022		
Accommodation - no refund, 100% of the hotel costs must be paid from	25 August 2022		
Entry fee	No refund		





5. PARTICIPATION RULES

All participating delegates must have a valid IJF card and be inscribed in judobase (**www.judobase.org**) by their national federation.

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

- 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.
- 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 kata judging rules.
- Participants must also satisfy all regulations in the IJF COVID-19 Protocol and COVID-19 local protocol.

6. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

Name	Globtel Mariusz Winnicki with the Polish Judo Association
Address Judomarket/Globtel, Bernardyńska 25, 02-904 Warsaw, Poland +48 600 3	
Email	mariusz@judokrakow2022.com
Event website	judokrakow2022.com

7. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE EVENT CONTACTS

Accommodation	Patrycja Graczykowska	registrationkata@pzjudo.pl	+48 530 531 971
Accommodation			
General enquiries	Mariusz Winnicki	mariusz@judokrakow2022.com	+48 600 331 144
	Sylwester Gawel	sylwester@judokrakow2022.com	+48 735 026 398
Training	Sylwester Gaweł	sylwester@judokrakow2022.com	+48 735 026 398
Visa	Karolina Lebioda	registrationkata@pzjudo.pl	+48 530 546 520

Emergency (24 hours,	Mariusz Winnicki	mariusz@judokrakow2022.com	+48 600 331 144
English-speaking)	Sylwester Gawel	sylwester@judokrakow2022.com	+48 735 026 398

8. COMPETITION VENUE

Name	Tauron Arena Krakow – Small Hall
Address	ul. Stanisława Lema 7, 31-571 Kraków
Website	https://www.tauronarenakrakow.pl/
Spectators	500 seats, free entry / no ticket required





9. ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

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 form Krakow WCK 2022 Form Visa			
Deadline	14 August 2022		
Visa contact	Karolina Lebioda	registrationkata@pzjudo.pl	+48 530 546 520

10. PROGRAMME

Date	Time	Activity	Location	
Saturday 10 September 2022	All day	Arrivals of the participants, continental union kata delegates and candidates for kata judges' examination	Crown Piast	
Sunday 11	09:00-12:00	Kata judges examination and results Arrivals of the participants	Crown Piast	
September 2022	14:30-16:30	IJF kata commission meeting		
	10:00-17:00	Accreditation for judges and participants		
Monday 12	14:00-18:00	Warm-up	Crown Diast	
September 2022	15:00-17:00	Judges' meeting	Crown Piast	
	18:00 - 19:00	Draw		
Tuesday 13 September 2022	09:00	Nage-no-kata (senior & U-23) Katame-no-kata (senior) Ju-no-kata (senior)	Tauron Arena small hall	
	14:00	Finals (senior & U-23)		
Wednesday 14 September 2022	09:00	Katame-no-kata (U-23) Kime-no-kata (senior) Kodokan goshin-jutsu (senior)	Tauron Arena small hall	
	14:00	Finals (senior & U-23)		
Thursday 15 September 2022	All day	Departures	Crown Piast	





11. TRANSPORT

Transportation from train/bus station and airport is provided by the local organising committee.

To guarantee airport transfers, arrival and departure details for each participant, must be filled in on the IJF Platform: my.ijf.org

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

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 LOC (not directly with the hotel).

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	te the form Krakow WCK 2022 Form Accommodation		
Deadline first reservation From 13 June 2022			
Deadline final reservation and full payment	14 August 2022		
Accommodation contact	Patrycja Graczykowska	registrationkata@pzjudo.pl	+48 530 531 971

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

The following packages are available:

B&B = bed and breakfast at the hotel.

Half board = breakfast and dinner at the hotel. If you want lunch at the sports hall you can buy it for 25 euro.

Full board = breakfast, lunch and dinner at the hotel. Days 13 September and 14 September at the sport hall only.

Lunch on competition days for competing athletes can be reserved in advance using the **Krakow WCK 2022 Form Accommodation** or on the spot the welcome desk and will be served in the sport hall.





CATEGORY A - Grand Hotel

CATEGORY A - Grand Hotel			
Address	Sławkowska 5/7, 31-014 Kraków, +48 124 240 800		
Website	www.grand.pl		
Check-in time	16:00		
Check-out time	12:00		
Early check-in / late check-out	Subject to hotel availability and must be confirmed with the hotel prior to arrival, otherwise the hotel may charge an additional fee.		
Airconditioning	Yes		
Gym	Yes		
Wi-Fi	Yes		
Room service	Yes		
A La Carte restaurant	Yes		
Food delivery allowed	Yes		

All prices are per person per night in: euro

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CATEGORY A - Grand Hotel	B&B Half board		Full board	
Single	169 194		219	
Twin	139	164	189	
Lunch at the competition venue	25			
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required. A credit card is needed for verification and as			
	security to cover any damages.			

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	7	25
Train station	1	10 minutes on foot
Training	5	25
Accreditation	5	25
Sport hall	6	25





CATEGORY B - Novotel Krakòw City West

CATEGORY B - Novotel Krakòw City West			
Address	al Armi Krajowej 11 Krakow Poland		
Website	https://novotel-krakow-city-west.hotelsofkrakow.net/en/#main		
Check-in time	15:00		
Check-out time	12:00		
Early check-in / late check-out	Subject to hotel availability and must be confirmed with the hotel prior to arrival, otherwise the hotel may charge an additional fee.		
Airconditioning	Yes		
Gym	Yes		
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 - Novotel Krakòw City West	B&B	Half board	Full board
Single	139	164	189
Twin deluxe	109	134	159
Twin	89	114	139
Lunch at the competition venue	25		N/A
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	Yes		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)
Airport	7	26
Train station	2	20
Accreditation	1	10
Sport hall	7	30





CATEGORY B - Crown Piast

CATEGORY B - Crown Piast			
Address	Walerego Eljasza Radzikowskiego 109, 31-342 Kraków, + 48 12 683 26 80		
Website	https://hotelpiast.pl/en/		
Check-in time	16:00		
Check-out time	12:00		
Early check-in / late check-out Subject to hotel availability and must be confirmed with prior to arrival, otherwise the hotel may charge an addi			
Airconditioning	Yes		
Gym	Yes		
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 - Crown Piast	B&B	Half board	Full board
Single	139 164		189
Twin	89 114		139
Lunch at the sport hall	25		N/A
Deposit required by hotel at check-in	No deposit required. A credit card is needed for verification and as		
	security to cover any damages.		

Distance and approximate travel time from hotel to:	Km	Time (hh:mm)	
Airport	6	25	
Train station	2	20	
Training	In this hotal		
Accreditation	In this hotel		
Sport hall	6	30	

BANK DETAILS

See section 1.





13. PRE-EVENT TRAINING

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	Crown Piast Hotel & DPA		
Address	Radzikowskiego 109, 31-342 Kraków		
Training dates	9-12 September 2022		
Training times	12.00 - 15.00		
Booking	Please book by e-mail or telephone.		
Contact	Sylwester Gaweł	sylwester@judokrakow2022.com	+48 735 026 398

14. OFFICIAL JUDOGI

Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white) 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).

Judogi control will be done before the entry on the mat.

15. 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

Advertising: competitors should carry on the back of their jacket the IJF and organiser dedicated sponsors of the event.

Advertising on the judogi must follow the IJF regulations. Refer to IJF SOR section C1.5. National emblem: Athletes can have their national emblem on the left front part of the jacket within a space of 100 cm².

The Judogi Control will be done at the competition venue, registration of the participants.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the judoka to comply with the IJF rules.





16. GENERAL INFORMATION

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

All national federations, officials, coaches and athletes participating in the event described in these outlines must respect and accept the authority of the IJF Officials, the IJF Statutes, the IJF Sports and Organisation Rules (SOR, www.ijf.org/ijf/documents/21) 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.

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.

The LOC of the event and the IJF have no liability for any claims of injury, illness or death arising from the travelling to and the participation in this event.

CONSENT FOR USE OF DATA/PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOS/FILMING

Delegates inscribed by their national federations for 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 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 the International Judo Federation by writing to registration@ijf.org

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

National federations must follow IJF nationality rules – refer to IJF SOR Section 1.7 Athletes can only enter one age category.

Participants must wear a white judogi, a black belt and a backnumber in accordance with IJF rules (SOR Appendix C). Brown belt without IJF label is authorised for the under 23 age category.

Pairs participating in Kodokan-goshin-jutsu and kime-no-kata are responsible to bring their weapons.





Seniors category:

Each Federation may enter in the competition a maximum of 10 pairs and a maximum of 3 pairs in a kata.

Participants are to be minimum 16 years of age in the year of the competition. They shall have a minimum of 1st Dan.

Pairs may be formed of either two (2) males, two (2) females, or a male and a female.

They will have the opportunity to do one of the following kata: nage-no-kata, katame-no-kata, ju-no-kata, Kodokan goshin-jutsu and kime-no-kata.

The athletes can only participate in one kata.

U-23 category:

Each Federation may enter in the competition a maximum of 4 pairs and a maximum of three (3) pairs in a kata.

For the U-23 age category both tori and uke will have to be under 23 years old and at least 16 years old in the year of the competition. They shall have a minimum of 1st kyu.

Pairs may be formed of either two (2) males, two (2) females, or a male and a female.

A pair can do one kata between nage-no-kata (5 sets) and katame-no-kata (3 sets). They will also have the opportunity to perform in two (2) kata, nage-no-kata and katame-no-kata.

Participants will have the opportunity to play the same role in the second kata or reverse roles or to do the second kata with a different partner.

ACCREDITATION

The purpose of accreditation is to identify people and their roles at events and allow them necessary access to perform their roles.

Accreditation cards may be picked up from the accreditation room.

An accredited person should never wear another person's accreditation card. The accreditation card remains the property of the IJF and can be withdrawn, with immediate effect, at the IJF's sole discretion.

The accreditation card is valid for the duration of the competition and is the personal identity document of the participant for all security and access controls. This card contains: last (family) name, first (given) name, country, IJF ID number, media status (writer, photographer) and a picture.

Replacement of lost or forgotten accreditation will be charged at 50 US\$ to be paid to the IJF.

The times and place for check-in and accreditation can be found in the programme of these outlines.





Number of accreditations for officials:

- One three (1-3) pairs = five (5) officials.
- Four fourteen (4-14) pairs = ten (10) officials.

DRAW

The draw to establish the groups and the sort of each group will be done the day before the competition. The pairs medallists from the previous world championships will be considered seeded and will be divided into two groups if there are 10 pairs or more. The draw of the finals will be done in the sports hall after the preliminary rounds.

COMPETITION FORMULA

Each kata will be divided into two (2) groups: the top three (3) pairs with the maximum points from each group (that is six pairs for each kata) will compete in the finals. Three (3) or four (4) mats will be used for the preliminary rounds and three mats for the final. If the number of pairs is less than ten (10), there will be only one (1) group: the top six (6) pairs from the group will compete in the final.

JUDGES AND THE SYSTEM OF JUDGING

The contests will be judged by IJF qualified kata judges. The number of judges per national federation is limited to:

- Participating countries may enter four (4) judges.
- Non-participating countries may enter three (3) judges.

A judge cannot be an athlete.

The IJF "2022 Criteria for Kata Evaluation" will be used to judge the kata with reference also to the official Kodokan Kata textbooks.

Judges must attend the technical meeting the afternoon before the first day of competition to confirm participation as judge in these championships. Time and place are stated in the event outlines.

For each performance, the five judges will award points on the official IJF electronic scoring system. Three scores will be totalled to obtain the score of a technique (the maximum score and the minimum score will be cancelled for each technique). The final score of the whole kata will be the sum of the scores for each technique.

The evaluation of every technique of kata must consider the principle and the opportunity of execution: the evaluation (including the opening and closing ceremony) must be comprehensive. In the nage-no-kata, right and left techniques will be evaluated comprehensively (only one score).





Definition of mistakes:

- Forgotten technique/Major mistake will score zero and in addition the total final score of the kata pair will be divided by 2. If more than one technique is forgotten the score for that technique will also be zero but the total final score for the pair will not be halved again.
- Big mistake When the execution of the principle is incorrect (5 points are deducted, and the maximum number of crosses is 1).
- Medium mistake When one or more elements of the principle are not applied in the correct way (3 points are deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 1).
- Small mistake Imperfection in the application of the technique (1 point is deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 2).

The total score for each technique can be increased or decreased by 0,5 point adding in the column of the "correction value" a " + " or a " - ".

The five judges will be positioned on the shomen side and they will sit at approximately 1.5 m apart. The rule of neutrality will be applied so the judge must be of a different nationality than the competing pair. The position of the five judges will be the same throughout the competition. If a judge is temporarily replaced, he will take place in the same original position when he returns to the competition. The judges must take up their position before the arrival of the pair in the competition area.

The pair enters and leaves the mat at the opposite side of shomen: the beginning and end of kata (opening and closing ceremony) is at an 8 m or 10 m distance apart depending on the dimension of the tatami (bow to the tatami). Any behaviour of tori or uke inside the competition area that is contrary to the spirit of kata will reduce the score of the kata.

In case of equal score between pairs, the following criteria will be applied considering the scoring of the five judges:

- Total value of big mistakes the pair who makes fewer mistakes wins.
- If still equal, total value of medium mistakes will be considered the pair who makes fewer mistakes wins.
- If still equal, total value of small mistakes will be considered the pair who makes fewer mistakes wins.

The pair who has the better score will win.

If two pairs, both placing 3rd in the eliminations (or 6th place in case of only one (1) group) are still equal after all the above-mentioned criteria, both pairs will qualify for the final. If two pairs placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd during the final are still equal after the above-mentioned criteria, the kata will be repeated so that the medal can be assigned.





COMPETITION AREA

The competition area dimension is 10 m x 10 m or 8 m x 8 m and shall be covered by tatami. Two strips of visible coloured adhesive tape, approximately 5 cm wide and 50 cm long, shall be fixed 3 m apart from the centre, to indicate the starting position of tori and uke. The centre of the competition area shall be indicated with a strip of adhesive tape of the same colour. The safety area between and around the mat must be a minimum of 2 m.

AWARDING CEREMONY

For each kata, the pair with the maximum points in the final will be awarded the gold medal, the pair with the second most points will be awarded the silver medal; and the third pair, the bronze medal. The medallists must wear a white judogi on the podium.

All finalists, including 4th to 6th place will receive a certificate.

COACHING

No coach will be admitted, as coaching is not allowed.

MEDICAL SITUATION

Minor injury and illness:

- In case of a minor injury like bloody wound, broken nails or a problem with contact lenses etc., and according to the decision of the judges, the kata performance will be stopped, and the athlete will be assisted by a doctor out of the competition area if needed. The competition will continue, and the pair will repeat entirely the kata after the last pair has performed.
- In case another minor injury happens to the same athlete during the second performance of the kata or after a forgotten technique or a major mistake, the pair will be given a score of 0 for the technique where the injury occurred as well as for the following techniques including the closing ceremony. A ranking will be assigned to them in the pool or in the final. If ranking them allows them to participate in the final, the next pair in the ranking from the pool will participate in the final.

Major injury or illness:

When tori or uke is unable to continue to perform the kata because of an injury, illness or accident during
the execution of the kata, the pair will be given a score of 0 for the technique where the injury occurred as
well as for the following techniques including the closing ceremony. A ranking will be assigned to them in
the pool or in the final. If ranking them allows them to participate in the final, the next pair in the pool will
participate in the final.

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