

WELSH JUDO ASSOCIATION





Welsh National Closed Championships 2025

19 October 2025

Organiser Contact Details:	Competitions Team, Welsh Judo Association, Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff CF11 9SW		
	competitions@welshjudo.com		
Venue Address:	Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff, Wales, CF11 9SW		
Event Date:	Sunday 19 October 2025		
Event Level:	British Judo Level 3 Event for all categories.		
Entry process:	Online registration via Welsh Judo website at www.welshjudo.com/event/closed2025/		
	Telephone, postal or email entries will not be accepted.		
	All entries must be received by Friday 10 October 2025		
Participation	Competitors must hold current Welsh Judo Association licence. All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo membership to registration.		
	 Competitors must hold and produce a valid membership licence with the Welsh Judo Association, no other licences will be accepted as this is a closed event. Be a Welsh resident; • or Be born in Wales; • or Have a parent or grandparent born in Wales Hold a British passport; or meet the Refugee & Younger Immigrant Policy Competitors must hold a Grade of the Welsh Judo Association or British Judo Association. Competitors must not have competed in another Home Nation closed event in 2025. 		
	If you are uncertain of your eligibility, please contact competitions@welshjudo.com		
Age Band: Minor	Players born in the years 2014 & 2015		
	British Judo technical restrictions ruleset for u12's will apply.		
	Minimum grade: Yellow Belt Contest Duration: 3 minutes with 3 minute golden score		
Age Band: Pre-Cadets	Players born in the years 2012 & 2013		
	No Shime-waza or Kansetsu-waza.		
	Minimum grade: Yellow Belt Contest Duration: 3 minutes with golden score		
Age Band: Cadets	Players born in the years 2009, 2010 & 2011		
	Minimum grade: Orange Belt Contest Duration: 4 minutes with golden score		
Age Band: Seniors	Players must be aged 14 or older on the day of the event. Must hold a Senior (16+) Competitive Licence and Kyu/Dan grade.		
	Minimum grade: Green Belt Contest Duration: 4 minutes with golden score		
Age Band: Veterans	Veterans group A: Players aged 30 to 49 on the day.		



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	Veterans group B: Aged 50 and over on the day.			
	Please note that the veteran groups and categories may be merged at the discretion of the tournament director in the interest of providing contests.			
	Minimum grade: Green Belt Contest Duration: 3 minutes with golden score			
Adaptive Categories	Judoka wishing to take part in the <u>adaptive section</u> of the event are asked to get in touch with an expression of interest by contacting <u>competitions@welshjudo.com</u> by the deadline date.			
	It is the aim of the event organisers and Welsh Adaptive & VI Lead to provide meaningful contests if they can be facilitated. Please get in touch with competitor level, age and weight. Minimum year of birth of 2015 will apply.			
Competition Format, Rules and Judogi Rules	The intended method of elimination for this event will pools. The Tournament Director reserves the right to amend this as necessary.			
	British Judo Contest Rules will be in operation. Please note the following: No 30 second rule Judogi measurements as per British Judo rules. IJF Red label judogi rules or the requirement to wear judogi of specific suppliers will not be			
	required at this event. The wearing of both white judogi & blue judogi is not compulsory for this event. All competitors			
	must have a white judogi available.			
	Medals will be presented after each age-band final contests have been completed.			
	This Tournament qualifies for points scoring for dan grade promotion purposes.			
Weight Categories	Minors Male -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, +50kg Minors Female -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg			
	Pre-Cadet Male -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, +66kg Pre-Cadet Female -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, +63kg			
	Cadet Male -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, +90kg Cadet Female -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg			
	Senior Male -55kg -60kgs, -66kgs, -73kgs, -81kgs, -90kgs, -100kgs, +100kgs Senior Female -44kg -48kgs, -52kgs, -57kgs, -63kgs, -70kgs, -78kgs, +78kgs			
	Veterans Male -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, +90kg Veterans Female -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg			
	Please note: Test scales will be available at registration (where the organisers must be notified of any weight category changes). Players can change weight categories during the registration process (weight changes must take place prior to the player stepping on the official weigh in scales).			
	The Welsh Judo Association reserves the right to amalgamate adjacent weight categories depending on the number of entries in the respective weight categories.			



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Weigh-in	Sunday 19 October 2025				
weigh-in	Minors & Pre-Cadets	Cadets			
	08:00 – 08:30	08:30 – 09:00 [approx]			
	Seniors	Veterans			
	10:30 – 11:00 [approx]	11:00 – 11:30 [approx]			
	Adaptive				
	TBC				
	Weigh-in times above event is	s approximate. Confirmed w	reigh-in times will be announced after		
	entry period closes. The weigh-in times may change based on the number of entries received in each category.				
	All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo licence (Welsh Judo Association only) to registration and also their record book showing they meet the minimum grade.				
	For the weigh-in, both male & for round neck t-shirt.	emale must weigh-in wearing	contest legal judogi trousers, and plain		
	Groups	Weight Allowance			
	Female, all weight groups	0.8kg			
	Males, all weight groups	0.8kg			
	Players must satisfy the minimo	um weight limit for their cate	gory, ie for -73kg players must weigh		
Competition Start	Sunday 19 th October 2025				
	Minors & Pre-Cadets: Start 09:00am		r categories start time will follow upon closing of the entry		
Closing Date for Entries	Friday 10 October 2025 Telephone, postal or email entries will not be accepted.				
Entry Fee	Single Entry Early bird fee of £26 per person on or before 21 September 2025 £34 from 22 September 2025				
	Double Entry £45 per double entry before 21 Sept £54 from 22 Sept				
Photography/Filming	By entering the event, all participants and parents or guardians of participants are consenting to photography/filming which may be taken by the BJA/WJA or an official BJA/WJA contractor at the event. You also accept that these photographs or video may be used in future BJA publications or published by the contractors. If you wish to opt-out of the above please contact competitions@welshjudo.com .				
	Mat side photographers & film i	makers must be accredited. I	Photographers & film makers must		
		October 2025 by contacting	competitions@welshjudo.com.		



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	be required to demonstrate proof of purchase via mobile device on entry to the venue.		
	Spectator tickets can be purchased online here		
	Spectator entry purchased online will be charged £6.50 per person. Spectator entry purchased with cash will be charged at £10.00 per person. There will be no spectator charge for children (under 16).		
Coaching Passes	Coaches must apply for a coaching accreditation pass by registering via www.welshjudo.com/coach-closed/ by the Sunday 12 October 2025 .		
	Coach registrations will be checked with British Judo or relevant governing body to confirm eligibility to coach matside at the event. Coaches must ensure that they attend the coaches briefing prior to the commencement of the event. The referee in charge will give a briefing on any updates.		
	The event will be strictly adhering to the mat side coaching rule during the Cadet & Senior categories. In the following way: Coaches in the official mat side position can only advise the athlete during the mate-hajime period and not while the contest is in progress. Should any matside coach not adhere to this guideline they will firstly be reminded of this rule by the referee and on receiving the second reminder in the same contest will need to remove themselves to the general public area for the rest of the event on that day. Other personnel who insist on shouting coaching points will also need to remove themselves to the general public seating area.		
Payment	All payments must be made by Credit or Debit Card via the online system when entering. Your entry will not be accepted without payment being made.		

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES (including injury).

PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IF THE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.