

UniSport Australia Guideline

Judo

Men and Women

UniSport judo competitions are conducted in accordance with the rules of the [International Judo Federation](#) (IJF) and [Judo Australia's Sporting Code](#) except where these differ from UniSport competition guidelines; in which case the latter shall take precedence. Reference should also be made to the UniSport *Breach of Competition Requirements* guideline for penalties relating to breaches.

1. Team/squad size

- 1.1. For the men's team competition there must be a minimum of three and a maximum of five competitors. (team composition for each team must be provided to the Tournament Director before each competition round).
- 1.2. For the women's team competition there must be a minimum of two and a maximum of three competitors. (team composition for each team must be provided to the Tournament Director before each competition round).
- 1.3. Any university with the minimum number of competitors will be permitted to enter a team in or teams in the team competition.
- 1.4. The competitors, including reserves, must be nominated at the draw and sports specific meeting after the weigh in is complete.
- 1.5. A university entering a team in the team competition may enter any number of competitors in the individual competitions.
- 1.6. If a university does not have the minimum number of competitors to enter a team, those competitors may only compete in the individual competitions.
- 1.7. No combined university teams will be accepted.
- 1.8. Where entries allow, the team competition will provisionally be contested in the following weight categories:

Men's Team Event	Women's Team Event
Under 60kg or 66kg	Under 48kg or 52kg or 57kg
Under 66kg or 73kg	Under 57kg or 63kg or 70kg
Under 73kg or 81kg	Under 70kg or 78kg or Over 78kg
Under 81kg or 90kg	
Under 100kg or Over 100kg	

2. Qualification requirement

- 2.1. All competitors must be a minimum 5th kyu (yellow belt).

3. Competition format

- 3.1. A break will be scheduled between the team and individual competitions.
- 3.2. Time limit per bout is four minutes for both team and individual competitions.

4. Weigh-in

- 4.1. All athletes must attend a weigh-in and will be entered into the nominated weight division as weighed in.
- 4.2. Divisions with six, five or four competitors; should a competitor withdraw, the division will be redrawn. This is done to avoid the potential scenario of an athlete being placed with a medal without having won a match.
- 4.3. The draw for the competition will be conducted after the official weigh-in is completed and coaches are welcome to attend the draw and sports specific meeting.

5. Team's competition

- 5.1. The team's competition will use a double repechage elimination system where there are more than six teams. Teams will be divided into two tables by means of a draw, and an elimination system will be used to produce two finalist teams that will compete for the gold medal. Teams that lose to the four semi-finalist teams compete in the two repechage pools. The winners of each of these two repechage contests (pools) will compete for the bronze medal against the loser of the semi-final contest of the respective opposite table. The winners of those contests will be placed third.
- 5.2. If there are five teams, two teams will be on one side of the table, simple contest for access to the final. The three other teams on the other side of the table compete in the round robin system in order to classify them. The defeated team of the single contest must compete with the second team coming from the round robin elimination for the bronze medal. The winner of the single contest meets the winner coming from the round robin system for gold and silver.
- 5.3. In the case of four teams, two single contests, one contest between the two defeated teams for the bronze medal and one contest between the winners for gold and silver.
- 5.4. In the case of three teams, a round robin system will be used.
- 5.5. In the case of two teams, best of three matches.
- 5.6. The draw to determine the order of matches shall be made at the sports specific meeting.

6. Individual competition

- 6.1. The following weight divisions are utilised in all senior competitions held under the auspices of the IJF.

Men	Women
under 60kg	under 48kg
under 66kg	under 52kg
under 73kg	under 57kg
under 81kg	under 63kg
under 90kg	under 70kg
under 100kg	under 78kg
over 100kg	over 78kg

- 6.2. The Judo Australia Sporting Code operates an elimination system with double repechage for more than six competitors.
- 6.3. In a double repechage, for each division, the athletes will be divided into two tables by means of a draw, and an elimination system will be used to produce two finalists, who will compete for the gold medal. Athletes who lose to the four semi-finalists compete in the two repechage pools. The winners of each of these two repechage contests (pools) will compete in bronze medal contests against the loser of the semi-final contest of the respective opposite table. The winners of those contests are placed third.
- 6.4. In the event that there are five competitors:
 - a) Two competitors on one side of the table, simple contest for access to the final, the three others on the other side of the table compete in the round robin system in order to classify them.
 - b) The defeated competitor of the single contest must compete with the second competitor coming from the round robin elimination for the bronze medal (one)
 - c) The winner of the single contest meets the winner coming from the round robin system for gold and silver.
- 6.5. In the case of four competitors:
 - a) Two single contests then one contest between the two defeated competitors for the bronze medal and one contest between the winners for gold and silver.
- 6.6. In the case of three competitors:
 - a) A round robin system will be held in the elimination round.
- 6.7. In the case of two competitors, best of three fights.

7. Point Score

- 7.1. The points for the men's and women's teams will be combined to determine the overall champion university.
- 7.2. Final placings in all weight divisions and teams' competitions will be awarded the following points:
 - a) 1st place: 3 points
 - b) 2nd place: 2 points
 - c) 3rd place: 1 point

Note: that all points will be tallied to determine the winner of each overall pennant (men and women).

8. Tie-breakers

- 8.1. In the event that two or more teams have equal match points, a count back of results will take place, allocating points for each fight as follows:
 - a) Win by ippon 10 points
 - b) Win by waza-ari 7 points
- 8.2. In the event that teams are still equal, each team shall nominate one player to decide the outcome by contest.

9. Uniform requirements

- 9.1. The uniform requirements for judo are as per the Judo Australia Sporting Code with the additional requirements:
 - a) White and Blue gi's are encouraged.
 - b) In the case of two white gi's, sashes will be worn to differentiate competitors during a contest.
 - c) All coaches must register as a non-competing official via the UniSport registration system and must be wearing the team uniform.

10. Medals

- 10.1. Medals will be awarded on the following scale:
 - a) 6+ contestants: gold, silver and two bronzes
 - b) 4-5 contestants: gold, silver and one bronze
 - c) 3 contestants: gold and silver only
 - d) 2 contestants: gold only, unless one of the competitor's win a match in the best of three

Previous amendments

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*All competitions will be held in accordance with the UniSport competition guidelines.