



**2017 USA JUDO Youth and Scholastic National Championships
2017 USA Judo Collegiate Open
March 18-19, 2017**

Cadet World Team Trials and Pan American Team Trials

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

EVENT INFORMATION PACKET

Hosted by:	Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority and the Peppermill Reno Hotel
Tournament Headquarters Hotel	Peppermill Reno Hotel 2707 S. Virginia St. Reno, Nevada 89502
Competition Site:	Reno-Sparks Convention Center Hall 5
Check-in	Friday, March 17: See schedule of events for details
Weigh In	See Schedule of Events
Competition Date:	Saturday, March 18: Juvenile A, Cadet, Intermediate 2, and Senior Collegiate Sunday, March 19: Bantam, Intermediate 1, IJF-Junior, and Novice Collegiate
Tournament Director:	Contact the National Office for registration questions at 719.866.4730
Referees Meeting:	See attached schedule
Chief Referee	To be announced
Coaches Meeting:	Coaches meeting will be held at the Peppermill Hotel at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17. All coaches on the floor must be certified and have proper ID to be issued at meeting to gain floor access. Coaches must attend to receive credentials for event. Only USA Judo coach certification will be accepted.
Draw	Will immediately follow the Coaches Meeting on Friday March 17 for all categories

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 17

10:00am – 3:00pm

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6:00 pm

6:00 pm

7:00 pm

Peppermill Hotel

Tournament check-in and registration for **ALL** competitors/**ALL** categories.

Weigh-ins for Juvenile A, B, Intermediate 2 and all Collegiate Categories

Referees Meeting

Technical Officials Meeting

Coaches Meeting

Draw for all categories immediately following coaches meeting

Saturday, March 18

8:00 am

8:00 am

8:45 am

9:00 am

11:00am - 12:00pm

Competition at Reno-Sparks Convention Center-Exhibit Hall 5

Doors open

Referees meeting at venue

Opening Ceremonies

Competition begins for Juvenile A, B, Intermediate 2 and Senior Collegiate Categories

Weigh-ins for Bantam, Intermediate 1, and IJF-Junior Categories at **venue**

Sunday, March 19

8:00 am

8:00 am

9:00 am

Doors open

Referees meeting at venue

Competition begins – Bantam, Intermediate 1, IJF-Junior and Novice Collegiate Categories

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 Category
Postmarked no later than February 1	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$60.00
Postmarked February 2-February 20	\$120.00	\$90.00	\$75.00
On line registration by Feb. 1	\$85.00	\$70.00	\$55.00
On line registration Feb. 2- March 14	\$100.00	\$80.00	\$70.00
Walk up registration after March 2	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$75.00

- ****DO NOT MAIL ENTRIES AFTER FEBRUARY 20.** After this date, all entries must be on line or should be hand carried to event and will be considered walk-up registration.
- On-line registrations will not be accepted after March 14. Entries should be hand carried to event and will be considered walk-up registrations at this point
- Personal, Business, Travelers, Certified, Cashiers checks, Money Orders or credit cards only accepted via mail in entries. Do not send cash. Credit card form attached.
- Checks should be made payable to 2017 USA Judo Youth National Championships
- Entry into second or third category must be for same athlete
- Entry fees are non-refundable and credits will not be issued if athlete does not compete
- Absolutely no entries will be accepted after 4:00 p.m. Friday March 17.

Online Entries:

Your rank, date of birth and citizenship must be verified in the USA Judo database prior to being allowed access to register on line. For verification, please send a copy of your birth certificate or picture passport page and a copy of your USA Judo, USJF or USJA rank certificate to 719-866-4733 (fax) or scan/email to cory.sanders@usajudo.us. Verification will only be entered in database during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8am-4pm MST).

Incomplete Entry Materials:

Entries with incomplete or missing information will be considered walk-up registrations unless the required material is received before February 20.

Confirmation of Registration: Enclose a stamped, self addressed envelope to be informed whether your registration is complete/incomplete. Missing items received by February 19 will complete registration. Otherwise, your entry will be considered incomplete and walk-up registration fees will apply. **Emails or phone calls regarding complete/incomplete items will not be taken. Missing information notices will not be sent after February 8.**

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*****SPECTATOR ADMISSION FEE*****

Spectator fees will also include admission to the USA Weightlifting American Open Series 1 that will take place at the Convention Center Hall 4 on Friday March 17, Saturday March 18 and Sunday March 19.

Age	One Day	Two Day	Three day
13 and up	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
9-12	\$8.00	\$14.00	\$19.00

CHAMPIONSHIP HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Headquarters: Peppermill Hotel
2707 S. Virginia St.
Reno, Nevada 89502

Rates: Tower Dbl Queen \$129 per night (single/
Std. Dbl/Dbl \$119 per night
Dbl King Tuscany \$169 per night
Rates do not include tax or tourism surcharge

Deadline Date: Book by **FEBRUARY 28** to receive the discounted pricing.

For Reservations Call: 1-800-282-2444 Ask for the Judo rate.

TRANSPORTATION

Air Transportation: Nearest airport is Reno-Tahoe International Airport. Book through the United Olympic Travel Desk and receive discounted airfare. Call 800-841-0460.

Ground Transportation: Complimentary hotel shuttle between the Reno-Tahoe International Airport and the Peppermill Hotel. No ground transportation will be provided to the venue. Rapid Connrct (rail service) has a stop in front of the hotel and directly in front of the convention center for a nominal fee.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ATHLETES

Contestants may participate if they meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. Athletes need not be a US Citizen for all categories except Cadet, but must be in the United States legally, i.e., VISA, Green Card, etc. Cadet and IJF athletes must be US Citizens. Proof is required.
2. A current member in good standing of USA JUDO (United States Judo, Inc.) regardless of citizenship. A copy of membership card is required.
3. Eligibility selection criteria for the Jr. Pan Am Championship team selection can be found at www.usjudo.org
4. Born between 1997 and 2011 inclusively for all non-collegiate categories.

5. For Collegiate Categories: At least fifteen (15) years of age as of the date of the tournament. Must be sankyu and above.
6. For Novice Collegiate category athlete meet age requirements above and must be below the rank of sankyu (brown).

Cadet World Team Trials and Jr. Pan Am Team Selection criteria will be posted at www.usjudo.org

JUNIOR AGE CATEGORIES (Non- Collegiate) 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 (2017)**:

BANTAM 1 (Born 2011): Female & Male: 19, 23, 28, +28 kg	INTERMEDIATE 2 (Born 2005-2006): Female AND Male: 28, 31, 34, 38, 42, 47, 52, +52 kg
BANTAM 2 (Born 2010): Female & Male: 21, 25, 30, +30 kg	JUVENILE A (Born 2003-2004): Female AND Male: 36, 40, 44, 48, 53, 58, 64, +64 kg
BANTAM 3 (Born 2009): Female & Male: 23, 27, 31, 35, +35 kg	Cadet (Born 2000-2002): Female: 40, 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 kg Male: 50, 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 kg
INTERMEDIATE 1 (Born 2007-2008): Female & Male: 26, 30, 34, 38, 43, +43 kg	IJF-Junior (Born 1997-2002): Female: 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 kg, open Male: 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 kg, open

The IJF-Junior Category is the same as the International Judo Federation Junior World Championships Category. Athletes may enter if they are born in 1997 through 2002 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 must present their tournament-issued identification card AND all athletes in the Cadet, IJF-Junior and Collegiate categories must present a government issued photo ID.**

IMPORTANT: Athletes must make their declared weight as designated/confirmed during check in/registration. 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.

ATHLETES COMPETING IN TWO CATEGORIES (SAME WEIGHT) ON SEPARATE DAYS NEED ONLY TO WEIGH IN ONE TIME PRIOR TO THEIR FIRST DAY OF COMPETITION. IF WEIGHT CATEGORIES ARE DIFFERENT, ATHLETE MUST RE-WEIGH DURING OFFICIAL WEIGH IN FOR THAT CATEGORY.

CHECK IN

Athletes/Representative must check in during scheduled registration/check in times to verify category and weight are correct. Failure to check in and verify information may result in athlete not competing in these championships. **Any changes to category and/or weight must be made during this time.** Changes are not accepted during the weigh in process. Once an athlete's official weight is recorded, no changes will be accepted.

*****DRAW*****

All draws will be conducted using USA Judo approved software. With the exception of seeding, the draw will be random. It is the coach/athlete's sole responsibility to confirm that the correct athlete is listed in the correct division. Any corrections/changes must be made prior to the draw or during the scheduled draw for those categories. Once the draw is complete, there will be no changes.

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 USA Judo Certified Coaches to receive coaching credentials at this event.

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 Youth and Scholastic National Judo Championships. Athletes competing in junior divisions do not have to be enrolled in academic institutions to be eligible to compete.

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 and 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.

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.

Juniors winning medals in the IJF-Junior, Juvenile A, Cadet, Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2 and all Bantam divisions will be awarded 10 points for a gold medal, 6 points for a silver medal and 4 points for a bronze medal on the Junior Elite National Roster that corresponds to his or her weight division.

Juniors will not be awarded points for the Junior Elite National Roster for winning medals in collegiate categories. There will be no points awarded in the Collegiate Categories.

- **Determination of Weight Category:** Athletes are asked to declare their weight category on the entry form or at check-in/registration.
- All athletes must compete in their true age/weight unless their category.
- **Shime-waza rule:** Shime-waza allowed in Juvenile A, B, IJF-Junior and all Collegiate categories only.
- **Kansetsu-waza rule:** Kansetsu-waza allowed in Cadet, IJF-Junior and senior collegiate 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 and Intermediate 1 - 3 minutes/ 2-minute golden score
- Intermediate 2 and Juvenile A -3 minutes/no golden score limit
- Cadet and IJF - 4 minutes/ no golden score limit
- All Collegiate Categories - 5 minutes/no golden score limit
- **Judo gi color:** For all divisions, the blue and white judo gi requirement is mandatory. IJF labeled approved gi's are not required, but gi's must meet new IJF sizing requirements.

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.

AWARDS

- **Individual Awards:** Gold, Silver and Bronze (one bronze) medals will be awarded for first, second and third places for all divisions
- **Special Awards (to both male and female):** Best Technique, Fighting Spirit and Outstanding Competitor for each day.

All medal winners MUST be in regulation white judo gi or team sweats (track suit) to accept any and all awards.

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

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

To assure that the requirements for participating in these Championships have been fulfilled, the following forms must be completed and sent to the address printed at the bottom of this page.

- Official entry form, including waiver forms/False Alarm/Damages statement and appropriate fees
- Copy of current USA Judo membership card
- Proof of age: birth certificate or passport (driver's license is not proof of age)
- Proof of citizenship: birth certificate, passport, VISA, Green Card, etc. (driver's license is not proof of citizenship)

Forward all forms and fees to:
USA Judo
1 Olympic Plaza
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

FALSE ALARM/DAMAGES

This form certifies that the Contestant and her/his legal guardian(s) understand that emergency vehicle response to a false alarm may result in serious injury and loss of life, and that fine, imprisonment and other possible legal consequences may result from activating any false alarm in connection with participation in this tournament. In addition, charges assessed for a false alarm or for other damage to tournament and hotel facilities shall, together with all costs and fees incurred with collecting said charges, shall be the responsibility of the responsible Contestant's parent(s) /legal guardian(s) and home Dojo. This provision has been explained to the Contestant.

Contestant's Printed Name	Contestant's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian's Printed Name	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date
Judo Instructor's Printed Name	Judo Instructor's Signature	Date

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the 2017 USA Judo National Scholastic Championships, 2017 USA Judo Collegiate Open and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc. (USA JUDO), the Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority, Reno-Sparks Convention Center, Swain Mats, Inc./Dollamur, Tournament Director, Tournament Organizers, Tournament Staff, Local Organizing Committee, and Nevada State Judo, **I hereby:**

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due to not only my own actions, inactions, or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages caused by, arising out of, resulting from or following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo, Inc., the United States Olympic Committee, United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, the Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority, Tournament Director, Tournament Organizers, Tournament Staff, Swain Mats, Inc./Dollamur, Nevada State Judo, Reno-Sparks Convention Center, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used to conduct the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "releasee", from any and all claims, demands, losses, actions, causes of actions or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death and damage to property (Collectively, "Liabilities"), caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the acts or omissions of the releasee, even if arising from their negligence, **OR OTHERWISE** to the fullest extent permitted by law.
6. I agree to be filmed and photographed under conditions approved and authorized by USA Judo, to include the use of my name, biographical information, public appearances, interviews, photographs, portrait and motion pictures and television recordings of my judo performance/participation and grant to USA Judo and Organizers the right to record and make use of the same, and to authorize others to do so in promoting the competition and the success of the judo team on which I compete, to promote the image of USA Judo, its sponsors and advertisers, and the sport of amateur judo, and to fund the activities of the USA Judo

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISK AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant's Printed Name	Participant's Signature	Date

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date

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Credit Card Charge Request

If you wish to use your Credit Card for Entry Fee, please complete the following information and enclose with your application form(s):

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Credit Card (circle one): MasterCard ---- VISA ---- Discover ---- American Express

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Credit Card Expiration Date:			CVV Code
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Name of athlete if different from card holder: _____

Name as it appears on Credit Card (please print): _____

Amount authorized to charge: _\$_____

Signature: _____ Date: _____