



EUROPEAN
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EVENT OUTLINES

Riga European Judo Hopes Tournament

November 15th – 16th 2025



EUROPEAN JUDO
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1. ORGANISER

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2. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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 LOC according to the details in the

ENTERING THE HOST COUNTRY section.

Entering host country

Each participant is responsible to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter, etc.) for the host country. Entry rules may be subject to change, current rules can be found under the link: <https://www.mfa.gov.lv/en/information-travellers-latvia-provisions-preventing-spread-covid-19>

Insurance

It is the responsibility of each participant to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any pandemic related costs, including repatriation. The LOC of the event and the EJU accept no liability for any claims relating to cancellation of the event due to any pandemic or medical costs for any illness that may affect them during the event.

3. COMPETITION PLACE

BTA Daugava Athletics Arena

Address: Augšīela 1, Latgales priekšpilsēta, Rīga, LV-1009, Latvia;

<https://www.lnsc.lv/sports/vieglatletikas-maneza/>

4. AGE

U15: 14 and 13 years old (born in 2011 and 2012)

U13: 12 years old (born ONLY in 2013)

5. PARTICIPATION

European Judo Hopes Tournament and Technical Seminar is open for Clubs from all EJU/IJF Member Federations. The participants compete for their club (not for the Federation) and are entered by the club. IJF nationality rule does not apply. The participants may be a different nationality than the NF registering them.

The athletes are required to attend both competition and technical sessions.

6. CATEGORIES & DURATION

U15:

Boys: -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, +73kg - (9 categories)

Girls: -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70, + 70kg - (9 categories)

Duration: 3 minutes. Golden score – no time limit.

U13:

Girls: -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, +57 kg – (9 categories)

Boys: -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, + 60 kg – (9 categories)

Duration: 2 minutes. Golden score – 1 minute and after that the referee gives the decision.



7. ENTRY FEE

Participation fee of **50 €** per athlete must be paid.

8. DEADLINES

Visa form:

Hotel reservation:

Hotel payment:

Event Registration:

Travel details:

Friday, 24th October 2025

Friday, 31st October 2025

Monday, 03rd November 2025

Friday, 31st October 2025

Friday, 07th November 2025

9. PROGRAM

Attention: The schedule may be modified according to total number of entries and circumstances of competition.* The start time will be confirmed once the final number of athletes is known. Depending on the number of the registered participants, it can be decided to start at the same time the both groups scheduled for these competition days.

Only athletes with accreditation will be able to take part in the Technical Session with Kodokan Experts. Athletes should bring their accreditation to the training session.

Friday, November 14th 2025		
10:00 – 16:00	Accreditation	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
17:00 – 18:30	Technical Session Seminar (All Groups) + Coach meeting (obligatory in white judogi on the mat)	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
18:30 – 18:45	Unofficial weigh-in Group I U15 and Group II U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
18:45 – 19:15	Official weigh-in Group I U15 U15 Girls: -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg U15 Boys: -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
19:15-19:45	Official weigh-in Group II U13 U13 Girls: -48kg; -52Kg; 57kg; +57Kg U13 Boys: -46Kg; -50kg; -55kg; -60kg; +60kg	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
20:15	Draw U15 Group I & U13 Group II	Online
Saturday, November 15th 2025		
08:30 – 09:00	Coach meeting (obligatory): 30 min.	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
09:00	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals Group II U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
10:00 – 12:00	Technical Session Seminar Group II U15 and Group I U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
TBD	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals Group II U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
TBD	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals Group I U15	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
16:00-18:00	Technical Session Seminar (Group II U15 and Group I u13)	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
TBD afternoon	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals Group II U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
18:00 – 18:30	Unofficial weigh-in Group II U15 & Group I U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
18:30 – 19:00	Official weigh-in Group II U15 U15 Girls: -57Kg, -63Kg, -70Kg, +70 kg U15 Boys: -55Kg, -60Kg, -66Kg, -73Kg, +73 kg	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
19:00-19:30	Official weigh-in Group I U13 U13 Girls: -28kg; -32Kg; -36kg; -40Kg; -44kg	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena



	U13 Boys: -30Kg; -34kg; -38kg; -42kg	
20:15	Only Tecical Draw U15 Group II & U13 Group I Online	Technical Draw
Sunday, November 16th 2025		
09:00	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals Group I U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
10:00-12:00	Technical Session Seminar (Group I U15 and Group II U13)	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
After	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals Group I U13	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
TBD afternoon	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals Group II U15	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena
After	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals Group II U15	BTA Daugava Athletics Arena

Groups division: **U13:** Group I: Girls: -28kg; -32Kg; -36kg; -40Kg; -44kg; Boys: -30Kg; -34kg; -38kg; -42kg
 Group II: Girls: -48kg; -52Kg; 57kg; +57Kg; Boys: -46Kg; -50kg; -55kg; -60kg; +60kg
U15 Group I: U15 Girls: -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg; Boys: -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg
 Group II: Girls: -57Kg, -63Kg, -70Kg, +70 kg; Boys: -55Kg, -60Kg, -66Kg, -73Kg, +73 kg

10. EVENT REGISTRATION

All participants and delegates must be registered for this event in JudoManager registration system (<https://admin.judomanager.com>).

Existing JudoManager users (club administrators) can log into the system using their current account (either guest or club account).

To request a new account, please visit <https://admin.judomanager.com/guest> and complete the form to gain access. Once your account is confirmed, you will be able to register athletes/coaches.

Deadline for Registration is **Friday, October 31st 2025**.

Those who miss the registration date can be added to the competition as late entry but the penalty of 60 € (additionally to 50 € of participation fee) has to be paid on spot.

The results and video footage will be archived.

Link for draw / streaming / contest order can be found here: <https://portal.judomanager.com>

11. ACCREDITATION & CONTROL OF NATIONALITY

At least one delegate from the club (and not more than 2) must attend the accreditation on **Friday from 10:00 – 16:00** on time in order to confirm the entries of all athletes and officials with his signature on the delegation confirmation list. A delayed appearance or no-show may result in the exclusion of all participants from the draw and the event. In case of unforeseen delay of arrival, the club must immediately contact both the organiser and the EJU (headoffice@eju.net). Passports or photocopies of passports from all competitors must be available on request (national ID Card showing nationality, picture and date of birth or a copy is also accepted). The competitors must not be present at the nationality control.

12. COMPETITION MODE

Competition systems according to number of participants:

- 6 and more entries: Double Repechage
- If there are one (1) to five (5) Round Robin.

13. DRAW

The draw will be held ONLINE.



14. WEIGH-IN

Official weigh-in for each weight category is held the evening before the competition day (see program).

At the EJU Judo Hopes Tournament, weight management practices such as "making weight", "cutting weight", or "running off weight" are not acceptable and should not be encouraged. Judoka should compete in the weight category in which they naturally fall at the time of the weigh-in. Athletes can change the categories after the official weigh if their body weight is different from the weight category they were registered in. Test scales will not be provided at these events to reinforce this approach, ensuring young athletes do not engage in unhealthy practices that could negatively affect their growth and development."

Athletes are NOT allowed to remove their underclothing (men – underpants, women – underpants and bra); to compensate an additional 200 g will be allowed i .e., for the category -44 kg the limit will be -44 .2 kg **Athletes must present their EJU accreditation card and their passport** (National ID Cards showing nationality, picture and date of birth are also accepted).

Filming and taking photos is strictly prohibited during weigh-in.

15. RANDOM WEIGH-IN

No Random Weigh-In will be organised for this age group.

16. REFEREEING

Each federation may register 3 referees. In case National Federation wants to inscribe more Referees, the reasonable application has to be applied to the EJU Referee Commission. The organizing federation may enter as many referees as required for the realization of the tournament but giving priority to their own Continental/International referees first and then their national referees with the highest national license with at least 2 years of experience.

Event registration deadline for referees: Friday, 31st October 2025.

The bow:

- The contestants must not shake hands BEFORE the start of the contest.
- When the athletes are leaving the mat they must wear judogi in proper way and are not allowed to take out any part of the judogi or the belt before leaving the field of play.

NO SHIME-WAZA, NO KANSETSU-WAZA are allowed.

17. COACHING

All coaches must fully adhere to the Code of Conduct for Judo Coaches.

Dress Code	Elimination rounds:	National track suit with trousers reaching down to shoes or jacket suit with tie
	Final block:	National track suit with trousers reaching down to shoes or jacket suit with tie

18. TRANSPORT

Official Airports: Riga International airport.

Train station: Riga International Railway station.

Bus station: Riga International Bus station.

The organizer will provide, on request, transfers between the airport and the official hotels, and between the official hotels and the venue. Transportation is offered only to those participants who are accommodated in the official hotels, and only if they were booked via organiser.



19. ACCOMMODATION

Participants are not obliged to stay in the official hotel.

The organiser proposes the following official hotels if the participants want to book via organiser:

Tallink Hotel Riga

Address: Elizabetes street 24, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050; <https://hotels.tallink.com/lv/tallink-hotel-riga>

check-in time: 15:00; check-out time: 12:00

Distance to the airport: 11 km; distance to the sports hall: 3 km

Prices per person/per night	B&B	Lunch in the hotel	Lunch in the hall	Dinner
Single room	85 €	30 €	25 €	30 €
Double room	65 €			

Accommodation contact: Mrs. Jūlija Ļeščinska; info@judo.org.lv; +37128353012

Hotel reservation deadline: Friday, 31st October 2025

Hotel payment deadline: Monday, 03rd November 2025

Cash payment upon arrival is not allowed. All payments have to be done in advance per bank transfer.

In case of tournament cancellation by the local authorities full payment will be refunded.

Important: Injuries, visa problems or sickness are not valid reasons for cancellation of rooms.

In case of any damage to hotel property or competition venue caused by members of a delegation, their clubs will be charged by the organizing committee.

20. PAYMENT

Kindly complete the payment for accommodation (if booked by the organiser) and entry fee to our bank account:

Bank Address:	Balasta dambis 15, Riga, LV - 1048, Latvia
Bank Name:	AS SWEDBANK
Name of account holder:	Latvijas Dzudo federacija
IBAN:	LV56HABA0551047438605
SWIFT:	HABALV22
Payment reference	Club name; Judo Hopes Riga 2025

After the reservation a document with a number reference will be send, please use this number as reference of payment and for the accreditation.

All bank fees and money transfer costs must be paid by the sender. The person attending accreditation must bring proof of the bank transfer.

Please, be careful with the fraudulent emails. Always check the bank details from the outlines.

21. JUDOGI

Judogi must only comply with the Sokuteiki rules (no labels obligatory, IJF label recommended).

Backnumber: recommended (If non-official backnumbers are used, EJU reserves the right to ask for removal, if the material is not up to regular standards).

Competition and technical sesión will be held only in white judogis and red belts.

Official Backnumber. Official backnumber can be ordered from sponsors of the European Judo Union: Judo Backnumber (<https://judobcknmbr.com/>), mybacknumber



(<https://www.mybacknumber.com>) or Official Backnumber (<https://www.officialbacknumber.com>) and others IJF suppliers are allowed (see <https://www.ijf.org/supplier-list>) (Attention: production and delivery may take around 4 weeks). The SPONSOR part (if needed) will be given to the head of delegation during registration, and the athletes can stick it themselves using the special glue on the back number.

22. RESPONSIBILITY OF CLUBS and FEDERATIONS

The competitors will compete under the full responsibility of their clubs & federations.

Insurance: Club/national federation is responsible for insuring its competitors against "injury and third part risk (public liability)" during the period of the event. The European Judo Union and the organizer decline all responsibility.

Consent for Photography/Videos/Filming

Delegates inscribed by their National Federations for EJU events consent to the EJU 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 EJU. It will also be acquired by the EJU and its media partners from in and around all EJU 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, then the National Federation must inform the European Judo Union by writing to headoffice@eju.net.

23. MEDIA

Journalists can apply for Media accreditation online using the following link: <https://www.eju.net/media/> or per email: media@eju.net.

24. VISA

For nations who need VISA to enter Latvia, please send the enclosed "Visa Application Form" fully filled not later than Friday, 24th October 2025 and submit to Mrs. Jūlija Ļeščinska: info@judo.org.lv. 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.

25. TRAINING

Tatami for training will be available in the sports hall E.Birznieka-Upisa street no.21E, LV-1011, Riga.

No booking of the training sessions is necessary.

Time for the trainings is from 10:00 till 15:30.