



EVENT GUIDE

The Lights Community and Sports Centre
244-270 East Parkway, Lightsview, South Australia
23 August 2025

SHIAI • KATA • VETERANS • ADAPTIVE JUDO

SCHEDULE

Friday 22 August 2025

Weigh-in (unofficial & official): 6.00 – 7.30pm at the Venue

Saturday 23 August 2025

Event Official Opening: 9.00am

Kata and Shiai: 9.30am (medal presentations during event)

Event Official Closing: 5.00pm approx

KEY DATES

Standard registration closes: Saturday 16 August 2025

Late registration (with late cost) closes: Thursday 21 August 2025

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Welcome

**JudoSA invites you to the 2025 Adelaide International Open.
South Australia's premier Judo event.**

Venue

The Lights Community and Sports Centre, 244-270 East Parkway, Lightsview, South Australia.

Eligibility

All Australian players must be financial members of a Judo Australia (JA) member State or Territory. All International players must be International Judo Federation (IJF) affiliated, have their own insurance, and are required to organise their own visas.

Rules

- The Event will be run in accordance with the latest [Judo Australia Sporting Code \(February 2025\)](#).
- The IJF Refereeing Rules will be applied.
- 2019 Rules Amendments for Boys and Girls (U11).

Approved exceptions to the JA Sporting Code for this Event include:

- Minimum grade levels. A minimum grade of Go Kyu (Yellow Belt) for Boys and Girls divisions, and Yon Kyu (Orange Belt) for Cadets, Kyu Grades and Men and Women divisions is required.
- Weigh-ins can take place on the day of the Event for exceptional circumstances. Please note conditions listed on page 5.

Judogi Control

- Blue and white Judogis shall be worn in all shiai divisions.
- White judogi shall be worn for kata.
- Cadet, Junior, and Senior players are to ensure that their Judogi complies with the Judogi rules as per attachment 11 in the JA Sporting Code.

Draw

The draw for all divisions will be conducted on completion of the official weigh-ins that were conducted on the day prior to the Event. Please see conditions of weigh-in on Page 5.

Subject to entries, Event Management may choose to combine divisions, not run divisions, or use a pools system to give as many players as possible the opportunity to compete.

NOTE: The Australian National Points Table will be used to seed the Cadet, Junior, and Senior players. Maximum separation by State and Clubs will be applied to the Boys and Girls divisions where possible.

The draws will be available on the tournament's official portal: [JudoManager](#).

Weight Divisions

| Division | Age in 2025 | Weight Categories |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Under 11 Boys & Girls | 9 & 10 years | No weight classes will be observed. Players grouped by closest weight. |
| Under 13 Boys & Girls | 11 & 12 years | Girls: -32, -35, -38, -41, -45, -50, 56, +56 Boys: -32, -35, -38, -41, -45, -49, -54, -60, -66, +66 |
| Under 15 Boys & Girls | 13 & 14 years | Girls: -36, -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, -63, +63 Boys: -36, -40, -45, -50, -55, -60, -66, -73, -81, +81 |
| Senior Male & Female Kyu Grades | 15 years & older | Women: -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, -78, +78 Men: -60, -66, -73, -81, -90, -100, +100 |
| Cadet Men & Women | 15, 16 & 17 years | Women: -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, +70 Men: -50, -55, -60, -66, -73, -81, -90, +90 |
| Junior Men & Women | 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20 years | Women: -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, -78, +78 Men: -60, -66, -73, -81, -90, -100, +100 |
| Senior Men & Women | 15 years & older | Women: -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, -78, +78 Men: -60, -66, -73, -81, -90, -100, +100 |
| Veterans Men & Women | 30 years & older | Women: -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, -78, +78 Men: -60, -66, -73, -81, -90, -100, +100 |
| Adaptive (No Limits) Judo* | All Age Categories | Depending on entries, set on the day |

* Adaptive Judo will be contested in appropriate weight divisions and take place during mainstream divisions

Entry Details

Standard entry closes 11.59pm Saturday 16 August 2025.

Late entry closes (with late cost) 12.00pm Thursday 21 August 2025.

Online entry only. No late entries accepted at weigh-in.

Shiai (via [JudoManager](#))



How to Enter via JudoManager: Click on the link or QR code, then 'Apply to Competition', next 'Add Entry' and make your selection to enter.

Kata (via [Smoothcomp](#))



Entry Costs

| Category | Cost (each) |
|--|-------------|
| Under 11, under 13 and Under 15 Boys & Girls | \$50 |
| Senior Male & Female Kyu Grades | \$50 |
| Cadets & Junior Men & Women | \$50 |
| Senior & Veteran Men & Women | \$50 |
| Senior Men & Women Open – Players must be 18 years or older, registered in a Senior or Veteran division, and entries accepted on the day | FREE |
| Kata (\$40 per person ie Tori \$40, Uke \$40) | \$40* |
| Junior Nage-no-kata (\$30 per person ie Tori \$30, Uke \$30) | \$30 |
| Adaptive Judo as per categories above | \$50 |
| Late entry cost – additional cost per entry | \$20 |
| Spectators | FREE |

*Discounts for multiple entries (50% off subsequent katas entered) except for late registrations

Entry Cost Refund Policy

Full refund for players if the event is cancelled.

Withdrawals notified to events@judosa.com.au by 21 August 2025 and accompanied by a medical certificate.

Event Programme

| Date | Time | Activity |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Saturday 23 August 2025 | 7.30am – 9.00am | Shiai Referees' Briefing Conference Room first floor at The Lights |
| | 8.30am | Kata Judges' Briefing Mat 1 Court 2 |
| | 8.00am | Kata practice: main mats Court 2 Shiai: warm-up mat Court 1 |
| | 9.00am | Official opening |
| | 9.30am | Kata and Shiai begin concurrently. Mat 1 Cadet Women/Men Junior Women/Men Senior Women/Men Veterans Senior Women/Men Kyu Grades Women/Men Opens Mat 2 Kata Competition Adaptive Kata Demonstration Kata medal ceremony Under 11 Boys/Girls Under 13 Boys/Girls Under 15 Boys/Girls Medal ceremony Senior divisions using both mats Medal ceremonies will be announced and occur without a break in the event. |
| | 5.00pm (approx) | Official closing |

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Weigh-in Rules & Conditions

- For weigh-ins taking place **the day prior** to the event, weight category changes can be made at the weigh-in.
- Weigh-ins on the morning of the event (7.30am – 8.00am) require approval from the Event Director at least one day before the event. Please email events@judosa.com.au with your details, reason and any supporting documents. The player must make their entered weight division to be eligible to compete. (For example: if the player is entered in the 60kg division in senior mens and weighs in at the official weigh-in at 60.2kg, he will be excluded from the event).
- For Cadets, Junior and Senior Men and Women's divisions with 4 - 6 players, a division redraw will be conducted if a player should withdraw prior to the start of the division block. This is done to avoid the potential scenario of a player being placed with a medal without having won a match. For other categories where there is a withdrawal, the draw will be maintained.

Weigh-in Times

| Date | Who | Where and When |
|-----------------------|-------------|---|
| Friday 22 August 2025 | All players | The Lights Community and Sports Centre 244-270 East Parkway, Lightsview, South Australia Time: 6.00pm - 7.30pm |

Ticketing and Spectators

Entry to the venue is FREE for spectators.

Spectators will only be able to access designated seating areas within the venue and will not be allowed in the competition or warm up areas.

Insurance

Membership of State or Territory associations is compulsory to ensure all players are covered by insurance.

All JA State and Territory associations are responsible for ensuring that their players, officials, and volunteers are covered by all relevant insurances through JA or other appropriate insurance arrangements as sanctioned by JA. All international players and officials must also ensure they hold appropriate insurance coverage for the event.

It is the responsibility of the individual to ensure that in addition to the normal insurance, they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any events. The organiser of the event accepts no liability for any claims relating to the cancellation of the event.

Medical

By entering, each player must ensure that they comply with a series of medical and health matters as outlined in the JA Sporting Code and IJF Refereeing Rules.

Individuals (players, spectators, volunteers, and officials) are not to attend the event area if they are unwell; or have respiratory illness symptoms.

Player accreditation

There will be no accreditations, however, please bring some form of ID to the weigh-in.

Photos and Filming

A representative of JudoSA will be photographing and videoing players during the event. Your entry gives consent to the use of these images for promotion, on the internet or social media channels.

Kata Judge, Referee and Coach Briefing

A briefing will be held at the upstairs Function Room at The Lights on Saturday morning with details to be provided by JA or JA Referee Chair. Kata Judges will meet mat-side before the Official Opening. Coaches are encouraged to attend.

Dress Code

Coaches entering the field of play (competition area) must respect the following dress code:

- formal or smart casual attire (eg. - blazer, blouse, collared shirt, jacket, long pants, skirt)
- State tracksuit with long pants
- official State short sleeved or long-sleeved shirts or polo shirts
- covered footwear.

The following are forbidden:

- shorts
- singlet tops
- undressed upper body
- any kind of head cover (such as caps, hats or hoodies), unless for religious reasons
- sunglasses
- flip-flops or similar footwear

Concussion

Any player who has suffered concussion – must adhere to the [JA Concussion Management Policy](#) and if within the guidelines to return provide evidence to the JA Sports Director that the player is medically cleared prior to competing at the 2025 Adelaide International Open.

Any player suffering a third concussion within 12 months should seek specialist advice, not compete for 12 months and return to play only after medical clearance by a specialist.

Live Streaming

There will be live streaming of the event, links will be provided on [JudoManager](#) portal.

Travel to the Venue

The Lights Community and Sports Centre (the venue) is north of Adelaide City, in the suburb of Lightview. It is less than 30 minutes from Adelaide Airport and less than 15 minutes from the centre of Adelaide City by car. Only one public transport bus is needed from the City Centre and this will take under 30 minutes.

To use public transport and other information head off to [Adelaide Metro Plan my Journey](#) page.

Things to do and accommodation in Adelaide

Visit the South Australia Adelaide website for things to do and see, accommodation options and other related information: <https://southaustralia.com/destinations/adelaide>

Kata Judge Training Workshop

This workshop is **open to all** and run by Ernie Wakamatsu, National Kata Committee Chair of JA.

For current judges to freshen up on Kata judging guidelines, up and coming judges to learn about the judging guidelines, and competitors and coaches to understand what judges are looking for in a Kata performance.

An exam is offered to become a certified Kata judge, as well as an update to the JA Kata Committee.

It will be held at The Lights (Venue) on Court 2 from **9.00am to 1.00pm on Sunday 24 August 2025**, after AIO and is free to attend.