

# **2025 QUEENSLAND INTERNATIONAL OPEN EVENT GUIDE**

*Chandler Arena  
Brisbane, Queensland  
September 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2025*

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## Part I - Introduction

### Definitions and interpretation

Unless the context requires otherwise, the following acronyms and terms shall have the following meanings:

**AEST:** Australian Eastern Standard Time.

**BoH:** Back of House - is the area that is access restricted to accredited athletes, event staff, officials and volunteers.

**COB:** Close of Business - 5:00 pm local time.

**JA:** Judo Australia

**JQ:** Judo Queensland

**QIO:** Queensland International Open

### Purpose of the Event Guide

This event guide has been developed to be used in conjunction with the [Judo Australia Sporting Code](#), and sets forth additional information in relation to the Queensland International Open.

The intended purpose of the guide is to provide participants with a resource that will enable them to better understand the QIO, and includes event information, entry requirements, nomination processes, competition rules and regulations, and other pertinent information.

All information contained within this document has been approved by and is an official corporate document of JQ; all rights reserved.

### Revising the Event Guide

JA & JQ have the sole authority to approve any additions, amendments, changes, and deletions to this guide and the JANC event.

The JA Sports Committee in conjunction with the JQ Events Committee will annually review this guide and may update its contents as required.

Any revisions of the current event guide will be posted on the JQ website and electronically distributed to all relevant stakeholders.

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## Part II - General Information

### Competition Information

#### Event Organiser

Judo Queensland

#### Competition Venue

Chandler Arena – [Sleeman Rd, Chandler, QLD, 4155](#)

#### Event Dates

September 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2025

#### Regular Entry Fee

Entry fee per athlete per division is \$75 AUD

Kata entry fee is \$100 AUD per pair per kata.

#### Late Entry Fee

Entries received between 21st September and 25th September will be at the following prices:

Late entry per athlete per division is \$100 AUD

Late Kata entry fee \$125 per pair per kata.

### Identification

Each competitor will be required to bring photo identification clearly displaying their name and date of birth to the weigh-in.

The competitor shall present this document to the official who will verify the identity of the competitor.

### Categories of Competition

There will be 14 main categories of competition at the QIO.

- U11 Boys & Girls
- U13 Boys & Girls
- U15 Boys & Girls
- Cadet Women & Men
- Junior Women & Men
- Senior Women & Men
- Veteran Women & Men
- Adaptive Judo (formerly No-Limits Judo)
- Kata

### Age Guidelines

Categories	Born on or after 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Born on or before 31 <sup>st</sup> December
U11 Boys & Girls	2015	2016
U13 Boys & Girls	2013	2014
U15 Boys & Girls	2011	2012
Cadet Women & Men	2008	2010
Junior Women & Men	2005	2010
Senior Women & Men	-	2010
Veteran Women & Men	-	1995
Adaptive Judo	As per the Adaptive Judo Sporting Rules	

### Weight Division Minimum Requirement

If there is only one entry in a weight division, the player will be entered and compete in the next weight division.

Special rules apply to Veterans; Refer to attachment 15 of the [Judo Australia Sporting Code](#).

## Minimum Grading

U11, U13 and U15 boys and girls must have obtained a minimum grade of 4th Kyu (Junior orange).

All other divisions, except Adaptative Judo must have obtained a minimum grade of 3rd Kyu (Senior green).

## Weight Divisions

See Table 2 – Divisions of Competition

## Dress Code / Judogis

### Dress Code

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

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

The following are forbidden:

- short trousers
- 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.

### Judogis

White and Blue judogis shall be worn in all age divisions.

## Weigh-Ins

Weigh-in times are detailed in Table 1 – Queensland International Open Schedule.

Only officials and athletes are allowed in the weigh-in areas – please advise parents and other people of this rule.

Athletes 15 years or older (cadets and above) may be subject to a random weigh-in (spot-check) on the day of competition. Athletes selected for a random weigh-in (spot-check) cannot weigh more than 5% of the official maximum weight limit of their category & division.

Athletes who are unable to attend the scheduled weigh-in time for their category, may request (in writing) to weigh in on the day of competition. Athletes who weigh-in on the day of competition must make weight; if the athlete does not make weight, they will not be allowed to compete will not be eligible for a refund.

## Services

### Insurance

Each JA member competing at the 2025 QIO will be covered under the JA National Injury Insurance policy. However, competitors are also recommended to obtain their own additional private health insurance coverage.

International Athletes are advised to purchase travel insurance prior to arriving in Australia.

### Medical

Notify any significant medical conditions (e.g., asthma, diabetes, epilepsy etc) including allergies and medications.

This information and medical advice are essential for the provision of a safe environment for the athlete.

The final decision as to whether a player can compete is at the discretion of the tournament JA/JQ appointed medical officer.

## Photos / Filming

Photos and filming of athletes may be taken by JA and JQ during the QIO and these images may be used by JA and JQ in the promotion of JA and JQ business.

## Part III - Entry Process

### Athlete Entries

The JQ Events Committee will publish entries received approximately 1 week prior to the 2025 QIO.

Unless it is a late entry, no changes to cadets, junior women/men, senior women/men or veterans entries will be allowed 1 week prior to the 2025 QIO (20<sup>th</sup> September 2025).

The athlete must make weight as entered to be eligible to compete (for example, if the athlete is entered in the 60kg division in senior men's and weighs in at the official weigh in at 60.2kg, he will be excluded from the competition).

Weight changes for U11, U13, U15 will be allowed during the official weigh-in. Athletes will compete in the weight division of their weight recorded at the official weigh in.

### Shiai Entry Forms

All Athlete entries must be completed via [Judo Manager](#). Payments must be completed at time of entry.

No entries will be accepted after 11:59pm on Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup> 2025.

### Refunds

Refunds will be available for withdrawals prior to weigh-in. After completion of weigh-ins, no refunds will be processed.

### Draw

Draws will be completed as soon as possible after the close of weigh-ins.

To speed up the draw proceedings, changes to names will not be permitted, as these should be corrected as part of the entry checking process.

The National Points System shall be used to seed players in the Senior, Junior and Cadet Men's and Women's divisions. Maximum separation by State and Clubs will be applied where possible as per the Judo Australia [Sporting Code](#).

After the draws are completed, the draws will be published on the web (via [JudoManager](#)). Please note, photocopies of the draws will not be provided.

Note: Divisions with 4 - 6 competitors, a division redraw will be conducted if a competitor 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.

## Part IV – Tables, Figures & Appendices

### Tables

**Table 1 – Queensland International Open Schedule**

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2025		
16:00 – 17:00	Cadets, Junior, Senior and Veteran (including Adaptive) Women and Men Weigh-in	
18:30 – 21:00	Kata Competition	Competition Area
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2025		
8:30 – TBD	Cadet & Veterans Women & Men Competition and Medal Presentation	Competition Area
TBD	Junior Women & Men Competition and Medal Presentation	
TBD	Senior Women & Men Competition and Medal Presentation	
14:00 – 15:00	Under 11, Under 13, Under 15 (including Adaptive) Girls and Boys Weigh-in	
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2025		
8:30 – TBD	U11, U13 & U15 Competition and Medal Presentation	Competition Area

Schedule remains subject to change prior to the competition.

Competitors should be at the venue at least 60 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of the indicative times for each competition.

**Table 2 – Category of Competition**

Category	Age	Year of Birth	Minimum Grade	Division
U11 Girls	Must be 9 or 10 years in calendar year	2015 - 2016	4 <sup>th</sup> kyu (orange)	No Weight Divisions
U11 Boys				No Weight Divisions
U13 Girls	Must be 11 or 12 years in calendar year	2013 - 2014		u32, u35, u38, u41, u45, u50, u56
U13 Boys				u32, u35, u38, u41, u45, u49, u54, u60, u66
U15 Girls	Must be 13 or 14 years in calendar year	2011 - 2012		u36, u40, u44, u48, u52, u57, u63, +63
U15 Boys				u36, u40, u45, u50, u55, u60, u66, u73, u81
Cadet Women	Must be 15, 16 or 17 years in calendar year	2008 – 2010	3 <sup>rd</sup> kyu (green)	u40, u44, u48, u52, u57, u63, u70, +70
Cadet Men				u50, u55, u60, u66, u73, u81, u90, +90
Junior Women	Must be 15 – 20 years in calendar year	2005 – 2010		u48, u52, u57, u63, u70, u78, +78,
Junior Men				u60, u66, u73, u81, u90, u100, +100,
Senior Women	Must be 15 years or older in calendar year	2010 or earlier		u48, u52, u57, u63, u70, u78, +78,
Senior Men				u60, u66, u73, u81, u90, u100, +100,
Veteran Women	Must be at least 30 years of age	1995 or earlier		u48, u52, u57, u63, u70, u78, +78,
Veteran Men				u60, u66, u73, u81, u90, u100, +100,
Adaptive Judo	As per Adaptive Judo Sporting Rules			

Shiai entry fee per player, per category - \$75.

Late entry fee per player, per category - \$100

Note: if there is only one entry in a weight division, the player will be entered and compete in the next weight division (if the heavier weight division has no entry, an expression of interest for an Open division will be made). Special rules apply to Veterans; Refer to attachment 15 of the [Judo Australia Sporting Code](#).