



October 2026 Ranking Tournament & October 2026 Judo Festival

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VENUE:

Malta Judo National Dojo, Alamein Road, Pembroke, Malta.

DATE:

Sunday, 25th October 2026

AGE GROUPS:

Judo Festival	_____	Athletes born in 2017 and after
U12	_____	Athletes born in 2015 - 2016
U14	_____	Athletes born in 2013 - 2015
U16	_____	Athletes born in 2011 - 2013
U18	_____	Athletes born in 2009 - 2011
U21	_____	Athletes born in 2006 - 2011
Seniors	_____	Athletes born in 2011 and before
Ne-Waza	_____	Athletes born in 2011 and before

CATEGORIES:

U12	B: -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, +50kg G: -25kg, -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, +48kg
U14	B: -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, +55kg G: -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg
U16	B: -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, +66kg G: -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, +63kg
U18	M: -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, +90kg W: -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg
U21, Seniors & Ne-Waza	M: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100, +100kg W: -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, +78kg

NOTE: Categories are used as guidelines. They may be joined with the approval of club coaches.

OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN:

Boys U12 and U14 must weigh in with the zubon. To compensate an additional 400g will be allowed. Girls U12 and U14 must weigh in with the zubon and a tee-shirt. To compensate an additional 500g will be allowed.

U16 Boys and Girls are NOT allowed to remove their underclothing (men – underpants, women – underpants and bra), to compensate an additional 200g will be allowed.

PROGRAMME:

Sunday 25th October 2026		
Unofficial Weigh-in		08:30-09:00
Official Weigh-in	All Categories	09:00-09:30
Judo Festival		09:00
Ne-waza		10:30
U12		10:30
U14	To follow running order	
U16	To follow running order	
U18	To follow running order	
Senior	To follow running order	

JUDOgi:

Competition will be held in white judogis (white and red belts used). Athletes called first onto the tatami must wear a white judogi and a white belt. Athletes called second onto the tatami may either use a white judogi and a red belt or a blue judogi, in which case, the athlete's grade belt may be worn. All athletes called onto the podium must wear a white judogi.

RULES:

U12	IJF SOR except the following which are PROHIBITED 1) Makikomi Waza, Sutemi Waza, Kansetsu Waza & Shime Waza. 2) Neck or lapel grip beyond the collarbone. 3) Put both knees on tatami for the execution of a throw. 4) Execution on the opposite side to which one is grappling except for Ippon Seoi Nage. NOTE: 1st infringement – verbal warning and explanation. Further offences of same infringement will result in normal infringement procedure. Same applies in golden score.
U14 & U16	IJF SOR except Strangles & Arm-locks which are PROHIBITED
U18, U21 & Seniors	IJF SOR
Ne-Waza	IJF SOR & Ne-waza Rules

CONTEST DURATION & GOLDEN SCORE DURATION:

U12* Contest duration: 2 minutes - Golden Score duration: 1 minute.

U14* Contest duration: 3 minutes - Golden Score duration: 2 minutes.

* If after Golden Score the contest remains in a draw, the contest will be decided on the least number of infringements, then on the quality of kinsa and finally on the least number of verbal warnings.

U16 Contest duration: 3 minutes - Golden Score duration: NO time limit

U21, Seniors & Ne-Waza

Contest duration: 4 minutes - Golden Score duration: NO time limit

COMPETITION SYSTEM: Competition systems according to number of participants:

If there are six (6) or more entries, the "Double Repechage System" will be used.

If there are five (5) or four (4) entries, the "Round Robin System" will be used.

If there are three (3) entries, the "Round Robin System" will be used.

If there are two (2) entries, the "Best of Three System" will be used.

If there is only one (1) entry, the particular age and weight category will be entirely discarded.

CERTIFICATES::

Certificates will be awarded as follows:

Judo Festival:

All Judo Festival participants will be awarded a certificate.

Ranking Tournament:

If there are six (6) or more entries, certificates for 1st Place, 2nd Place and two certificates for 3rd Place will be awarded.

If there are five (5) or four (4) entries, certificates for 1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place will be awarded.

If there are three (3) entries, certificates for 1st Place and 2nd Place will be awarded.

If there are two (2) entries, only the 1st Place certificate will be awarded unless the 2nd placed athlete registers a win, in which case, certificates for 1st Place and 2nd Place will be awarded.

REGISTRATION:

Athlete registrations must be made via Judomanager (<https://admin.judomanager.com/login>).

DEADLINE:

Sunday 18th October 2026

ENTRY FEE:

Judo Festival € 10.00

Single Category € 10.00

Multiple Categories (athletes must enter their age group to be allowed to compete in higher age groups). € 12.00

Late Registrations and/or Failing to weigh-in within the registered category and/or Failing to weigh-in within scheduled weigh-in time slot. € 2.00

OFFICIALS:

As from 2026, each club may enter 1 team official and 2 coaches.

All clubs participating must register table officials / referees.

Referees & table officials must NOT be registered as club team officials.

For further information, please contact us by sending an email on info@maltajudo.com.

GRADING POINTS:

Competition: Category 'G'

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	1 Contest won	Participation
15 Points	12 Points	10 Points	7 Points	5 Point

Festival: 5 Points

Referees: 15 Points (Start to finish including meetings otherwise hourly points apply)

Table Official: 10 Points (Start to finish including meetings otherwise hourly points apply)

Table Official Trainee: 7 Points (Start to finish including meetings otherwise hourly points apply)

Technical Volunteer: 8 Points (Start to finish including meetings otherwise hourly points apply)

Non-Technical Volunteer: 5 Points (Start to finish including meetings otherwise hourly points apply)

NOTES:

At least 2 wins are required to acquire the placing's full points. If one contest is won, "One contest won" points will be awarded, otherwise "Participation" points will be awarded.

Uncontested categories will be entirely discarded and the points will NOT be awarded.

For points to be awarded, technical and non-technical volunteers MUST inform the MJF by the competition deadline by sending an email to: events@maltajudo.com.

Points will only be awarded to MJF Officials and MJF appointed volunteers participating in the tournament.