



British Schools Judo

2017

BJA SOUTHERN AREA

BRITISH SCHOOLS REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Venue: Medway Park Leisure Centre, Mill Road, Gillingham, KENT, ME7 1HF

Date: Saturday 20th January 2018

This is a level 2 Development event for Academic Years 6 & 7 and a Level 3 Development event for Academic Years 8 to 13 and, in line with the entry criteria for the 2018 British Schools National Championships, is not open to the following:

Any player who has won any medal at the British Minors Championships in the last two years (October 2016-October 2017) or who has won any medal at the British Pre-Cadet Championships or British Cadet Championships or British Junior Championships in the last two years (December 2016-December 2017).

EXCEPTION: any medallist who won less than two contests IS eligible.

This event is open to all school children who comply with the criteria above and hold a current valid licence of the BJA, Judo Scotland, NIJF, WJA, IJA, AJA or BJC.

Gold and Silver medalists will qualify for a priority entry to the 2018 British Schools Championships.

PLEASE NOTE:

You will NOT be automatically entered into the 2018 British Schools Championships. It is your responsibility to enter via the email link which will be provided. It is also your responsibility to ensure you meet the criteria for the 2018 British Schools Championships.

British Judo Association rules will apply throughout the competition. The method of competition will be compound knockout in categories of 8 or more players and pools and knockout in categories of 7 players or less.

Academic Years 4 & 5 - Born 1 September 2007 to 31 August 2009

Minimum grade 1st Mon (Bottom red belt)

NOTE: Players in this age group are NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE 2016 BRITISH SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Male: -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg and +50kg

Female: -25kg, -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg and +48kg

[Technical restrictions will be used in Academic Years 4 & 5]

Academic Years 6 & 7 - Born 1 September 2005 to 31 August 2007

Minimum Grade 3rd Mon (Top red belt)

Male: -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, and +55kg

Female: -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, and +57kg

[Technical restrictions will be used in Academic Years 6 & 7]

Academic Years 8 & 9 - Born 1 September 2003 to 31 August 2005

Minimum Grade 4th Mon (Bottom yellow belt) or 5th Kyu (Senior yellow belt)

Male: -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg and +66kg

Female: -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, and +57kg

Academic Years 10 to 13 - Born 1 September 1999 to 31 August 2003

Minimum Grade 6th Mon (Top yellow belt) or 5th Kyu (Senior yellow belt)

Male: -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg and +90kg

Female: -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -63kg, -70kg and +70kg

Armlocks & Strangles permitted in Academic Years 10 to 13. This category will be points scoring for eligible players.

These are English school years; however, years of birth are given for those not attending a school in England.

The Tournament Director reserves the right to combine or alter categories should entries dictate. In the event of large disparities in the lightest and heaviest weight groups, these will be split. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Director will be final.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MINIMUM GRADES ARE CONSIDERABLY LOWER THAN THE MINIMUM GRADE FOR THE BRITISH SCHOOLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. HOWEVER, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PLAYERS HAVE HAD SOME COMPETITION EXPERIENCE BEFORE ENTERING THIS EVENT.

Even if you have achieved priority entry it is your responsibility to ensure you meet the British Schools Championships minimum requirement before entering.

Players are able to change weight categories between this event and the British Schools National Championships.

Contest Times:

Academic Years 4 & 5:	3 minutes (1 min limited Golden Score)
Academic Years 6 & 7:	3 minutes
Academic Years 8 & 9:	3 minutes
Academic Years 10 to 13:	4 minutes

Weigh In Times:

08:30 – 09:00
10:30 – 11:00
11:30 – 12:00
12:30 – 13:00

An open weigh-in will take place for all players. All competitors MUST present themselves to the weigh-in wearing competition acceptable judogi trousers and females a plain white tee-shirt. Male competitors will receive a 0.5kg allowance and female competitors a 0.6kg allowance. Please bring both your licence and record book to the weigh in.

NO VALID LICENCE = NO CONTEST = NO EXCEPTIONS.

Entry Fee:

£16:00

Closing Date for Entries:

Saturday 13th January 2018

Spectator Fee:

£3:00 payable on the door

Entries to:

Online entries Only: www.onlineentries.co.uk/southern

Postal or Email entries will not be accepted.



Queries to:

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By entering the event, all participants and parents or guardians of participants are consenting to photography/filming which may be taken by the BJA or an official BJA contractor at the event. You also accept that these photographs or video may be used in future BJA publications or published by the contractors in order to promote the positive aspect of our sport. If you wish to opt-out of the above please contact Paul Sexton.

Coaches MUST produce a VALID BJA Coach Award card in person in order to be eligible to gain mat side access with their player. Only one coach per player will be permitted at any one time.

If you are attending the event but will not have a coach with you, for example you are travelling with your PE teacher; please include this information on the entry form.

Competition Guidelines:

Judoka

- Help beginners or lower grades, if you can.
- Follow all judo rules throughout the event.
- Bow correctly at the beginning and end of a contest. It is not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game.
- Accept decisions; let your coach ask any necessary questions.
- Control your temper, do not shout or abuse other judoka or officials.
- Be a good sport, cheer all good play, and respect all of your fellow judoka.
- Remember that the aim of the British Schools Championships is to have fun. Help you develop as a judoka. Improve your skills and conduct yourself in a sportsman like manner, plus represent the ideals, disciplines and etiquette of the British Judo Association to the highest level.
- Treat all other judoka as you would like to be treated, do not take unfair advantage of any judoka.
- Co-operate with your coach and opponents, without them you do not have a game.

Parents

- Please be aware that children develop differently, at different rates and react differently to the same pressures.
- Children and young people are involved in organised sport for their enjoyment as well as yours and so please respect this at all times.
- Always encourage your child to train and compete by the rules of judo.
- Teach your child that effort and teamwork are as important as victory, so that the result of each contest is accepted without unnecessary disappointment and with a positive sporting attitude.
- Never ridicule or shout at your child for making a mistake or losing a contest.
- Children learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- Do not question publicly the officials' judgement and never their honesty.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities.
- Set an example by being friendly to the parents of the opposition, emphasise enjoyment and fun, praise and reinforce effort and improvement.