

INTRODUCTION

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TOURNAMENT INFO

Date: October 17-19, 2025

Location:

Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre

875 Morningside Avenue Toronto, Ontario M1C 0C7

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Friday October 17th

- First Block - U12 – shiai starts at 1800hr (6:00 PM)

Saturday October 18th

- First Block - U14 and Ne Waza starts at 0800hr (8:00 AM)
- Second Block - U21, Veterans
- Third Block - U18

Sunday October 19th

- First Block - All Senior Advanced Divisions – shiai starts at 0800hr (8:00 AM)
- Second Block - U16, Senior Intermediate, Senior Novice

KEY CONTACTS

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REGISTRATION

Athlete Registration

- Athletes must complete online registration: <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/2025-OntarioOpen>
- Early registration ends on **October 3rd, 2025**
- Late registration ends **October 10th, 2025** at 2359hr EST (11:59 PM) Midnight
- No registration after this date and time will be accepted.

 All foreign and out-of-province athletes need to ensure their medical coverage is valid in Ontario.

Coach Registration (Minimum NCCP 2 (DI) Trained)

- Online registration is mandatory for all coaches: <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/2025-OntarioOpen-Coach>
- **Deadline – Oct 10th, 2025**
- Only 4 coaches per team/dojo allowed. Athletes who coach **must** also apply for coaching accreditation
- No coaching accreditation will be issued on the day of the tournament

Referee Registration (Minimum National B)

- Online registration for all referees <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/2025-OntarioOpen-Referee>
- Provincial A Referees are eligible to sign up for refereeing of U12 on Friday evening

Early Bloomers

- Requests must be applied for through Judo Canada at: <https://judocanada.org/early-bloomer-form-formulaire-pour-athlete-precoc/>
- Approval of status due by **October 10th, 2025**
- Forbidden: Early Bloomer submissions for the U12 age divisions

Competitor Fees

	Registration (Received by Oct 3 rd , 2025)	Late Registration (Received by Oct. 10 th , 2025)
U21, Seniors, Veterans	\$ 90	\$ 120
U16, U18	\$ 80	\$ 110
Second Division	\$ 45	\$ 60
U12, U14	\$ 60	\$ 90
Ne Waza	\$ 70	\$ 90

Note:

- All prices include HST
- A \$25 penalty fee will be incurred for all mistakes made in an athlete's registration (belt or age division) that will force changes to categories after the draws are completed.
- \$10 administration fee will be applied for all cancellations between October 3rd and October 10th, 2025.
- There will be NO refunds following a cancellation as after Friday October 10th, 2025. No exceptions.

Spectator Fees

- \$10 for one day or \$15 for the whole weekend.

ACCREDITATION

ATHLETES, COACHES, REFEREES, AND VOLUNTEERS PLEASE NOTE: Entry into the competition area will only be permitted with valid accreditation.

Accreditation pick-up

- Date: **Friday** will take place at the tournament venue. ID is required for picking up accreditation badges.
- **Coaches:** may pick up their accreditation badges starting at 1400hr – 2000hr (2:00 PM - 8:00 PM) on October 17th. Provincial and club coaches may also pick up badges on behalf of their athletes.
- **Athletes:** may pick up their badges at 1600hr – 2000hr (4:00 PM - 8:00 PM) on October 17th. Accreditation pick-up on Saturday will take place at the tournament venue starting at 0800hr (8:00 AM).
- All registered athletes will be issued one accreditation badge regardless of the number of divisions entered. Athletes who wish also to coach **MUST** apply separately for coaching accreditation. *Athletes must ensure their coach registers themselves as a coach. Accreditation badges for coaches will not be issued based on athletes' registration information.*

- 📌 Note: Replacement accreditation badges can be generated at the accreditation desk at the tournament venue on Saturday or Sunday. However, there will be a \$20 CAD **CASH ONLY** charge for replacement badges.
- 📌 Group pick-up available for Provincial Teams or Clubs with a minimum of 10 athletes registered. Complete and submit the completed form by **Oct 10th** and all athletes and coaches must be registered in Trackie at that time as well – [Group Accreditation Form](#)

Coach Accreditation

- ALL coaches **MUST** pre-apply for accreditation by October 10th, 2025 to receive a coaching accreditation badge.
- ALL Canadian coaches **MUST** have a current active NCCP (Dojo Instructor) Trained or higher status.
- Foreign coaches must provide proof of their coaching certification equivalent.
- Only one coach per athlete will be permitted at mat side. Maximum of four coaches per Dojo.
- Coaches must wear proper coaching attire as per the 2025-2026 Judo Canada Sanctioning Policy and Tournament Standards.

Referee Accreditation

- Referee Eligibility: Referees must be members of Judo Ontario, other Provincial/Territorial Associations, or IJF recognized Associations of other countries.
- Minimum referee level National B.
- Referees not officiating are encouraged to assist with operating the CARE.
- A referee and CARE Operator meeting and roll call will be held at the shiai-jo prior to the start of the tournament.
- All referees are asked to present themselves in the officials' room Saturday by 0700hr (7AM) and Sunday at 0730hr (7:30 AM).

Other Volunteer Accreditation

Judo Ontario needs volunteers who are aged 16+ for these very important positions:

- Draw Coordinators
- Weigh-in Officials
- Time/Score Keepers
- Security
- Craft Services
- Runners
- Accreditation Table Officials

Accreditation badges are required for all volunteers. Volunteers of the tournament will receive a volunteer t-shirt and meals during the time they are volunteering. To sign up to be a volunteer, please complete the online sign-up form using the link below and our Volunteer Coordinator Rayla Brown will be in touch.

[2025 Ontario Open Volunteer Sign-up](#)

TOURNAMENT SITE MEETINGS

Referees Meetings

Referees' meeting will take place in the officials' room at the Shiai-jo.

- Referee Meeting – Saturday October 18th, 700hr – 730hr (7:00 AM - 7:30 AM)
- Referees' roll call: Saturday 0700hr (7:00 AM) and Sunday 0730hr (7:30 AM). Please be on time.

Volunteers and table officials must be in place at 0730hr (7:30 AM) on Saturday and at 0730hr (7:30 AM) on Sunday.

Coaches Meeting

A coaches meeting will take place at Joseki at 0745hr (7:45 AM) at the Shiai-jo on Saturday and Sunday.

Volunteers Meeting

Volunteers are asked to present themselves with their accreditation badge at the registration desk at TPASC at 0700hr (7:00 AM) on Saturday and Sunday.

RULES & SYSTEMS

Modified IJF Rules and Judo Ontario/Judo Canada Tournament Regulations will be applied.

- U12, U14: Judo Canada Tournament Standards applied.
- U16: Chokes permitted. NO armlocks.
- U18: Chokes and armlocks permitted.
- A minimum rest period equal to two (2) times the maximum match time will be allowed between matches.
- Golden Score will be applied in all divisions except U12, U14.
- White and Blue judogis are mandatory for all but U12, U14, and Senior Intermediate & Novice.
- U12, U14 and Senior Novice must have white judogi with their properly fitted belt with their current rank. First name called wears white gi.
- Judo Ontario will supply white and blue sashes for the U12, U14 and Senior Novice and intermediate division.
- Uniforms (Judogis) MUST comply with Judo Canada and IJF size regulations.
- The competition area will conform to the IJF standard 8m x 8m combat surface.
- 2 Competitors will use a best of three system
- 5 or fewer competitors will use round robin system.
- 6 and 7 competitors in a category will use a 2 pool system.
- 8 competitors or more will use a modified double elimination system.
- Seeding will be based on High Performance Committee (HPC) communication with Judo Canada.
- Note: The tournament director reserves the right to revoke the accreditation of anyone showing disrespect or unethical behavior.

AWARDS

Shiai:

1st, 2nd, and two 3rd Place medals will be awarded as per Judo Canada policy.

WEIGH-INS

Athletes are allowed only one time on the official scale. Accreditation card and ID (picture ID for U18 and above) is required at weigh-in.

New for 2025 – All athletes must weigh-in in underwear. Athletes in all age divisions are NOT allowed to remove their underclothing

U12

Weigh-in: Honor System (provided by the parents, checked by club coach). We ask that Club Instructors verify the athlete's weights.

- There will be a scale at the tournament venue for spot checks should concerns arise. Discrepancies of over 5% between reported weights and actual weights may result in disqualification without refund.

- No check-in or weigh-in required for U12
- If not competing, advise info@judoontario.ca so draws can be adjusted.
- Note: U12 will be competing on Friday, October 17th – start time 1800hr (6:00 PM)

U14, U18, U21, Veterans & Ne Waza

Friday, October 17th, 2025

Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre (875 Morningside Ave)

- Unofficial Weigh-in: 1600hr—2000hr (4:00 PM - 8:00 PM)
- Official Weigh-in: 1700hr—2000hr (5:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

U16, and Seniors

Saturday, October 18th, 2025

Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre (875 Morningside Ave)

- Unofficial weigh-in: U16 - 1300hr - 1600hr (1:00 PM - 4:00 PM)
- Official Weigh-in: 1400hr - 1600hr (2:00 PM - 4:00 PM)

- U14 and up must weigh-in in underwear with 0.2 kg allowance
- Athletes in all age divisions are NOT allowed to remove their underclothing
- All athletes are allowed to wear an optional T-shirt at weigh-in, no additional allowance for a T-Shirt
- Note: All participants must come to the official weigh-in with their accreditation card and with ID (a photo ID for U18 and up). Foreign Competitors must bring a current membership card of their Association, their accreditation and photo ID.
- Note: All judokas also competing in the same weight category on Sunday will NOT have to go on the scale again. They will be kept in the draw unless they (or their coaches) come to logistics to be removed from competition (check-out). The check-out deadline is 60 minutes after the end of competition on Saturday.
- Athletes may compete in only one division per day as outlined in accordance with Judo Canada's Tournament Policy, unless the second division is Ne Waza or Open Weight.

DIVISIONS

U12	Born: 2015, 2016 Yellow Belt and up No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 2-minute matches. No Golden Score Round Robin Divisions of 2-5 athletes will be compiled after weigh-in completed
U14	Born: 2013, 2014 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> Ranks: Yellow and Orange / Green and up No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3-minute matches. No Golden Score Male: -32kg, -35kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, +66kg Female: -30kg, -33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, +63kg
U16	Born: 2011, 2012 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> Ranks: Green and up Chokes permitted. No armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3-minute matches. Golden Score is applied. Male: -38kg, -42kg, 46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, +73kg Female: -36kg, -40kg, 44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg
U18	Born: 2009, 2010, 2011 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> Ranks: Green and up Chokes and armlocks permitted. Modified Medical Rules. See below Duration: 4-minute matches. Golden Score is applied. Male: -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, +90kg Female: -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg

U21	Born: 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> Ranks: Blue and up Chokes and armlocks permitted Duration: 4-minute matches. Golden Score is applied. Male: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg Female: -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, +78kg
SENIOR	Born: 2011 and earlier <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> Ranks: Brown and up (Advanced) & Green and Blue (Intermediate) & Yellow and Orange (Novice) Chokes and armlocks not permitted for Senior Novice Duration: 4-minute matches. Golden Score is applied. Male (Advanced): -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg Male (Intermediate/Novice): Light, Middle, Light Heavy, Heavy Female (Advanced): -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, +78kg Female (Intermediate/Novice): Light, Middle, Light Heavy, Heavy
VETERAN	Born: 1996 and earlier Ranks: Blue and up Chokes and armlocks permitted Duration: Up to M6/F6 3-minute matches. Golden Score is applied (M7/F7 2min match, 1 minute Golden Score, no chokes allowed) Male: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg Female: -48 kg, -52kg, -57 kg, -63kg, -70 kg, -78kg, +78kg <i>Note: Age and weight categories will be combined after weigh-in according the number of registrations</i>

 **Note - Modified Medical Rules:** All U14, U16 and U18 contestants will be allowed two one-minute free medical examinations per competitor per match (does not include treatments for bleeding) without penalty. A third examination for the same injury to the same competitor in the same match will result in their opponent being awarded the win by "Kikengachi". All incidents of bleeding in these two age categories will be dealt with in accordance with current IJF Competition Rules, Article 29 (Bleeding Injuries).

NE WAZA	Ranks: Green and Up Chokes and armlocks permitted Duration: 4-minute matches. Golden Score is applied. Note: Athletes can compete in two categories in one day if one is in Ne Waza
	Senior Born 2011 and Earlier <i>Senior Male: -66kg, -81kg, -100kg, +100kg</i> <i>Senior Female: -52kg, -70kg, +70kg</i>
	Veterans Born 1996 and Earlier <i>Male: -66kg, -81kg, -100kg, +100kg</i> <i>Female: -52kg, -70kg, +70kg</i>
	Adaptive Ne Waza Male Female

SHUTTLE

Schedule is tentative and final schedule will be communicated the week of competition.

From: Best Western Parkway Toronto North/ Sheraton Parkway Toronto North

Friday:

Depart Hotel: 3:30pm

Depart TPASC: 6:30pm

Saturday:

Depart Hotel: 6:30am & 10:30am

Depart TPASC: 2:30pm & 6pm

Sunday:

Depart Hotel: 6:30am

ACCOMMODATIONS

Sheraton Parkway Toronto North

600 Highway 7, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4B 1B2

Reservation Online: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1709587331082&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Phone: 905-881-2121 or 1-800-668-0101 (mention Hatashita Ontario Open)

Room Cost: \$189 per night

Reserve on or before **August 25th, 2025**, to receive the discounted rate.

21 min drive from TPASC

Best Western Parkway Toronto North

600 Highway 7, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4B 1B2

Reservation Online: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.66054.html?groupId=N18NLOU0

Phone at 905-881-2600 or 1-866-874-6333 (mention Hatashita Ontario Open)

Room Cost: \$179 per night

Reserve on or before **August 25th, 2025**, to receive the discounted rate.

21 min drive from TPASC

Comfort Inn

533 Kingston Rd. Pickering, ON L1V 3N7

Reservation Online: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/VK61H7>

(905) 831-6200 or (905) 831-6025

Room Cost: \$159 per night

Reserve on or before **August 25th, 2025**, to receive the discounted rate.

10 min drive from TPASC

Best Western Plus Executive Inn

38 Estate Drive Toronto, Ontario M1H 2Z1

Reservation Online: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.66088.html?groupId=N42TW6Y2

Room Cost: \$194 per night

Phone: (416) 430-0444

6 min drive via Hwy 401 from TPASC