



Melfort Judo Tournament

Saturday, March 28, 2026

LOCATION: Melfort & Unit Comprehensive Collegiate, 801 Assiniboia Street, Melfort, SK

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Pamela Wojciechowski & Jim Wiens

CHIEF OFFICIAL: T.V. Taylor

CHIEF REFEREE: Robb Karaim *Referee meeting @ 10:00 am*

CHIEF KATA JUDGE: Dale Berglund

ELIGIBILITY: All athletes must be registered and in good standing with Judo Saskatchewan/Judo Canada

This is a pre-registration tournament

REGISTRATION:

The registration deadline is Wednesday March 25, 2026, at 7 PM

To complete pre-registration, please click on the appropriate link:

Kata Competitor Registration: <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/melfort-provincial-kata-tournament/1004463/>

KATA TEAM CHECK IN: 8:30 AM

KATA COMPETITION START TIME: 9:00 AM

Athlete Registration: <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/melfort-judo-tournament/1004464/>

All athletes will be required to check in by 10:00 AM.

All U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18 and Seniors will need to weigh on the official scales.

ATHLETE WEIGH IN TIME: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM on Saturday, March 28, 2026

GROUP WARM UP for U8 to U14 ages at 10:00 AM

COMPETITION START TIME 10:30 AM

ORDER OF COMPETITION:

1. Ne Waza U8, U10, U12
2. Tachi Waza U10, U12
3. Ne Waza U14, U16 and Senior
4. Tachi Waza U14, U18, U16, Senior

REGISTRATION FEES:

First Division: \$40 (Except U10, U12 NeWaza \$10)

Additional division: \$10

Kata: \$10 per team

Categories:

The tournament director reserves the right to make any changes necessary in the best interest of the athletes.

Kata –

Kodomo No Kata (set 3, 4 or 5)

Nage No Kata (3 or 5 sets)

Katame No Kata

Ju No Kata

Kime No Kata

Kodokan Goshin Jutsu

U10 – Born in 2017-2018, Ne Waza & Tachi Waza

Male and Female will be separate. Draws will be made based on entries. Attempts will be made to get all competitors 3-4 matches. No Golden Score. o Ne Waza Divisions – Open to athletes white belt and higher, 2 minute matches, continuous time. o Tachi Waza Divisions –Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 2 minutes, continuous time. Bout ends after 2 Ippons Kumi Kata (grip) is allowed only at the front of the judogi. No drop techniques, no headlock techniques, no Sutemi-waza, no makikomi-waza, no kansetsu-waza, no shime-waza, no sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers. No scoring of counter rotation techniques against one-legged throws.

U12 – Born in 2015-2016, Ne Waza & Tachi Waza

Male and Female will be separate. Draws will be made based on entries. Attempts will be made to get all competitors 3-4 matches. No Golden Score. o Ne Waza Divisions – Open to athletes white belt and higher, 2 minute matches, continuous time. o Tachi Waza Divisions –Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 2 minutes, stop time. Bout ends after 1 Ippon Kumi Kata (grip) is allowed only at the front of the judogi. No drop techniques, no headlock techniques, no Sutemi-waza, no makikomi-waza, no kansetsu-waza, no shime-waza, no sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers. No scoring of counter rotation techniques against one-legged throws.

U14 – Born in 2013-2014, Ne Waza & Tachi Waza

Male: -32, -35, -38, -42, -46, -50, -55, -60, -66, +66Kg Female: -30, -33, -36, -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, -63, +63Kg o Ne Waza Divisions – Open to athletes white belt and higher, 3 minute matches, no golden score o Tachi Waza Divisions –Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 3 minute matches, no golden score No drop techniques in novice divisions, no headlock techniques in tachi-waza, no Sutemi-waza in novice divisions, no makikomi-waza in novice divisions, no kansetsu-waza, no shime-waza, no sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers. No scoring of counter rotation techniques against one-legged throws.

U16 – Born in 2011-2012, Ne Waza & Tachi Waza

Male: -38, -42, -46, -50, -55, -60, -66, -73kg, +73Kg Female: -36, -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, +70Kg o Ne Waza Divisions – Open to athletes white belt and higher, 3 minute matches, unlimited golden score o Tachi Waza Divisions –Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 3 minute matches, unlimited golden score No kansetsu-waza for any competitors, no shime-waza, sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers for yellow and orange belts.

U18 – Born in 2009-2010, Tachi Waza Only

Male: -50, -55, -60, -66, -73kg, -81, -90, +90Kg Female: -40, -44, -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, +70Kg o Tachi Waza Division –Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 4 minute matches, unlimited golden score No kansetsu-waza, shime-waza, sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers for yellow and orange belts. Senior – Born in 2011 and older, Ne Waza & Tachi Waza • Ne Waza Divisions – Open to athletes white belt and higher, 4 minute matches, unlimited golden score • Male: -66, -81, +81Kg • Female: -52, -63, +63Kg No kansetsu-waza, shime-waza, sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers for yellow and orange belts. • Tachi Waza Divisions – Open to athletes yellow belt & higher, 4 minute matches, unlimited golden score • Male: -60, -66, -73kg, -81, -90, -100, +100Kg • Female: -48, -52, -57, -63, -70, -78, +78Kg No kansetsu-waza, shime-waza, sankaku gatame or sankaku rollovers for yellow and orange belts.

Rules for U14 to Senior Ne-Waza from Appendix 10 of the Judo Canada Sanctioning Policy & Standards 2024-2025

Draw Format:

- For U10 and U12 a round robin pool system will be used where each entrant meets each other entrant only once. Every effort will be made to have pools of four.
- For Weight categories with eight (8) or more entrants it will be a true double elimination system
- For weight categories with six (6) or seven (7) there will be two pools of round robin. The winner of Pool A (A1) will meet the second place from pool B (B2) and the winner of Pool B (B1) will meet the second place from pool A (A2). The winners of this match will then meet to determine 1st and 2nd while the losers will meet for bronze.
- For weight categories of five (5), four (4) or three (3) entrants there will be a pool system where each entrant meets all entrants in a round robin format. In case of a tie in the number of wins, the highest points will determine the winner.
- For weight categories of two entrants, they will meet twice or until one entrant has two (2) wins.

Tournament Guidelines:

- Modified Judo Canada Tournament Sanctioning rules will apply.
- White belts and white/yellow split belts may participate in ne-waza only.
- The tournament committee, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to make any changes necessary in the best interest of the athletes.
- Age and Weight classes may be combined if unsuitable numbers of athletes are registered in a weight division.
- Females must wear a plain white short-sleeved rounded-neck shirt under their judogi.
- NO pants below the knee to be worn under the gi pants (Shorts under the gi pants will be allowed)
- Hair must be worn up above the shoulders (male & female), hair bands may not contain any metal or hard plastic.
- All piercings, jewelry and bracelets must be removed.
- No use of bleeding dyes on the body or hair of competitors is allowed. In cases such use is undetected and results in damage to the equipment of the opponent or the tatami, the competitor will be disqualified, and the member will be charged for the damage.
- All competitors must have a white judogi. Blue judogis can only be worn when the athlete is the second competitor in a match. All judogis must be regulatory size.

CONTACT INFO:

Any questions, email melfortjudoclub@outlook.com or text or call Pamela at (306)-921-9673

On Sunday March 29th, there will be a Provincial Team Training.

Details to follow. Check the Judo Sask Calendar of Events.