

SELECTION CRITERIA

2024 SENIOR JUDO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Abu Dhabi, UAE

19 – 24 May, 2024



1. INTRODUCTION

- **1.1.** Selection of Athletes to represent Australia at the 2024 Senior World Championships (**Competition**) will be made according to the criteria outlined in this document. Athletes selected for Individual Competition will be eligible to be entered for the Mixed Teams Competition.
- **1.2.** Selection of athletes under this policy will be conducted by the National Selection Committee (NSC), comprising of the following members:
 - CombatAUS High Performance Director (Chair);
 - JA General Manager of Performance and Pathways;
 - JA State Performance Pathway Coach, Victoria;
 - JA State Performance Pathway Coach, New South Wales; and
 - A legal representative to ensure due process is followed.
- **1.3.** International Judo Federation (**IJF**) eligibility requirements for the Senior World Championships:
 - **1.3.1.** Athletes ranked number 1-100 on the Senior WRL of Monday 1st April 2024 (after Antalya Grand Slam 2024),
 - **1.3.2.** Athletes ranked number 1-100 on the Senior WRL of Monday 13th May 2024 (after Qazaqstan Barysy Grand Slam 2024), and
 - **1.3.3.** Athletes ranked number 1-16 on the Junior WRL of Tuesday 26th March 2024.

2. IJF ALLOCATIONS

2.1. Weight Divisions will be as per the categories of the International Judo Federation (IJF), namely:

	Under 60kg	Under 48kg
	Under 66kg	Under 52kg
	Under 73kg	Under 57kg
	Under 81kg	Under 63kg
	Under 90kg	Under 70kg
	Under 100kg	Under 78kg
	Over 100kg	Over 78kg

- **2.2.** The IJF allows each country a maximum quota of 9 male and 9 female Athletes, with a maximum of two (2) Athletes per weight category and respecting the eligibility rule of the IJF stated in section **1.3**
- **2.3.** Australia may decide not to use the maximum quota of Athletes.

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- **3.1.** To be eligible for consideration for selection for the Competition, an Athlete must satisfy the following requirements:
 - a) be an Australian citizen;
 - b) be a financial member of and be in good standing with JA and the Combat Institute of Australia (CombatAUS);
 - c) have signed the current JA Team Member Agreement;
 - d) not by their actions or omissions brought themselves, JA, CombatAUS, or the Team into disrepute or censure;
 - e) met the eligibility requirements of the IJF listed under 1.3
 - f) be at least 1st Dan, black belt; and
 - g) hold a valid IJF ID Card.



4. SELECTION PROCEDURE

All Athletes considered for selection must meet the eligibility requirements as stated above at the date of selection, which will be the date under section 1.3.

4.1. Selection for the 2024 World Championships will be performed in two stages. This is due to the two different dates of eligibility provided by the IJF as listed under section 1.3.1 and 1.3.2.

Stage 1 Selection

4.1.1. Eligible senior Athletes who are ranked in the top 70 of the IJF Senior WRL as of 1 April 2024 will be selected as part of the stage 1 selection, respecting the maximum two athletes per category rule stated under section 2.2.

Stage 2 Selection

- **4.1.2.** Eligible senior Athletes (not yet selected) who are ranked in the top 100 of IJF Senior World Ranking List as of 13 May 2024 will be selected as part of the stage 2 selection, respecting the maximum two athletes per category rule stated under section 2.2.
- **4.1.3.** If there are more eligible senior Athletes to be considered for selection than quotas as per section 2.2 and Athletes are in equal position on the Senior WRL, the Athlete with the single highest World Ranking Points achieved over the 18 months prior to the date of selections will be the Athlete selected.
- **4.1.4.** In the event of unfilled quota places, junior Athletes who are ranked in the top 16 of the Junior WRL of Tuesday 26th March 2024 may be considered for selection to fill the remaining quota positions for the Competition if their level is considered appropriate for a Senior World Championships. Assessing this level, the NSC will consider several factors, including (without limitation and in no particular order):
 - a) IJF Junior and Senior World Ranking;
 - b) Junior and Senior National Ranking Points;
 - c) Quality of international results;
 - d) Quality and quantity of international wins;
 - e) CombatAUS/JA categorisation;
 - f) An Athlete's stage of development and future potential to perform at benchmark events;
 - g) An Athlete's technical and tactical competence; and
 - h) An Athlete's current fitness level.
- **4.2.** The NSC may (at its absolute discretion) select reserve Athletes for the Competition providing they meet the eligibility criteria set out in **1.3**.
- **4.3.** The NSC has absolute discretion to make decisions it deems made necessary by any unforeseen circumstances that may arise before, during or after selection.
- **4.4.** All selections are subject to final approval by the Judo Australia CEO.

5. DISCLOSURE OF ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Judo Australia Code of Conduct (the Code) requires volunteers, selectors, and employees to take reasonable steps to avoid any conflict of interest, real or apparent, in connection with their role.

A real conflict of interest occurs where there is a conflict between their duty and personal interests of an athlete that improperly influences the outcome of their task.



An apparent conflict of interest occurs where it appears that an employee's personal interests could improperly influence the performance of his or her duties but this is not in fact the case.

The appearance of a conflict can be just as damaging to athlete and member confidence in public administration as a conflict which gives rise to a concern based on objective facts.

Conflicts of interest, real or apparent, cannot always be avoided. Where this is the case, the Code requires all members of Judo Australia to disclose details of any material personal interest of the member in connection with their role.

Athletes should have every confidence in the integrity of the Judo Australia Selection Committee, and to know that the Judo Australia Selection Committee or employee's personal interests do not conflict with his or her duties. The management of any conflict is managed by Judo Australia CEO.

6. INJURY/ILLNESS OF TEAM MEMBER

- **6.1.** Athletes are required to report all performance limiting injuries, illnesses, conditions or medical operations that occur prior to or after their selection for the Competition. Reporting includes providing medical evidence to the High-Performance team (CombatAUS High Performance Director, JA General Manager of Performance and Pathways, National Coaches, AW&E Manager) relating to the assessment, treatment and rehabilitation plan.
- **6.2.** An injured selected Athlete who is unable to undergo full training, including regular randori during the two weeks period prior to departure for the Competition, may be withdrawn from the Team and replaced with the highest ranked reserve athlete as determined by the HP team.

7. APPEALS

Athletes may appeal their non-selection to the Competition. Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and will be governed by, the procedure provided in the JA Selection Appeal Policy.

8. KEY DATES

Dates	Activity	
Tuesday 26th March 2024	Cutoff date for IJF Junior WRL eligibility	
Monday 1st April 2024 and Monday 13th May 2024	Cutoff dates for IJF Senior WRL eligibility	
1 – 4 April 2024	NSC performs Stage 1 selection for the Competition, and notification is communicated to Athletes and Coaches via email	
13 –14 May 2024	NSC performs Stage 2 selection for the Competition, and notification is communicated to Athletes and Coaches via email and on the JA website	
15 May 2024	Closing date for Athlete Acceptance	
19 – 24 May 2024	Senior World Championships	

