Judo Canada Internal Nomination Procedure (INP) 2025 Junior PAN-AMERICAN GAMES

August 9-August 23, 2025, Asuncion (Paraguay)

I-INTRODUCTION

Contact

For clarifications or questions on the contents of the INP, please contact (mh.chisholm@judocanada.org).

This selection procedure applies to the following weight classes:

| Men (7) | Women (7) |
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| under 60kg | under 48kg |
| Over 60 and under 66kg | Over 48 and under 52kg |
| Over 66 and under 73kg | Over 52 and under 57kg |
| Over 73 and under 81kg | Over 57 and under 63kg |
| Over 81kg and under 90kg | Over 63kg and under 70kg |
| Over 90kg and under 100kg | Over 70 and under 78kg |
| Over 100 kg | Over 78kg |

Pan American Judo Confederation (PJC) Qualification System The PJC Qualification System can be found at this link: https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/?doc_category=games

Ranking can be found at this link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r5h2vZrSEz2kGsB0juGeSVlyD7uR4iyX/view

Performance Objectives:

The objective of the selection policy and procedures is to select athletes with the potential for a Top 3 performance at this event.

II- ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Canadian citizenship as per the Pan American Games Regulations is a requirement to be considered for selection.
- 2. Must have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or before February 23, 2026.
- 3. Be in compliance with all relevant COC, IF, and Pan Am Sports requirements for eligibility.
- 4. For the Junior Pan Am Games 2025, Canadian representatives in weight classes qualified according to the Pan American Judo Confederation (PJC) quota system will be eligible for selection. The nomination to the Canadian Olympic Committee must be made no later than April 21, 2025.
- 5. Must be a member in good standing of Judo Canada.

6. Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Local Organising Committee (LOC) Eligibility form no later than June 26, 2025. Where the athlete is under the age of 19 years, the parent or guardian must also sign these agreements.

FUNDING

The cost of participation of the above-mentioned selected athletes is fully covered by the COC and NSO, according to their quota. Judo Canada will not fund athletes over and above the COC quota allocation of 6 athletes.

III- SELECTION PROCEDURE

Athletes will be selected according to the Pan American Junior Championships/Cups ranking list.

The three athletes with the highest point total of each gender (male and female) in this ranking will be selected for the team for a total of 6 athletes.

In the event of a tie between two or more athletes in the Pan American Junior Games rankings, the tie will be broken according to policy 5 of Judo Canada <u>2025 Handbook</u>. A limit of one athlete per weight category will apply. If more than one athlete in the same weight class is among the top three, only the athlete with the highest point total will be selected.

It is only possible to send athletes within the quotas allocated by the COC.

IV-TRAINING COMMITMENT

Judo Canada's Coaching Staff will determine the preparation program (competitions, camps, testing and training requirements). Failure to live up to the preparation program will be examined by the High-Performance Committee and may result in a sanction that could include the withdrawal of the selection.

V- APPEALS TO SELECTION

Appeals to the selection are limited to incorrect application of policy or procedures. In case of an appeal, will apply as indicated by current Judo Canada Appeal Policy. If both parties agree, the Judo Canada Appeal Policy can be bypassed, and the matter brought immediately before the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) who will then manage the appeals process.

VI - INJURY OF A TEAM MEMBER DURING PREPARATION PHASE

Athletes are required to report all performance limiting injuries or medical condition that could occur after their selection. An injured athlete that is unable to undergo full training, including regular scrimmage during the two weeks period prior to departure, may be withdrawn from the team. Prior to team nomination to the COC, the HP Committee will have authority over the withdrawal of an athlete. Following nomination to the COC, any such removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee.

VII- ALTERNATES

Judo Canada is under no obligation to select an alternate; however, if substitution is required, the substitute will be determined according to principles stated above. Final recommendations into this regard will be made by the High-Performance Committee of Judo Canada.

VIII- SELECTION OF TRAINING AND SUPPORT STAFF

High performance personnel designated by Judo Canada will act as Team Leaders and Coaches for this event. Team Leaders must meet the expectations and requirements of the COC Team Leader job description. Coaches must:

- 1. Be a CAC registered or certified professional coach by June 26, 2025.
- 2. Have a valid passport that does not expire before 6 months after the Games (February 23, 2026).
- 3. Comply with all COC, IF and Panam Sports eligibility requirements.
- 4. Sign, submit and comply with the COC Support Staff Agreement and Local Organizing Committee (LOC) Eligibility Form no later than June 26, 2025.
- 5. Be 18 years of age or older.
- 6. Be a member in good standing of Judo Canada.

IX- UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

In the case where unforeseen circumstances arise during the selection process, the High-Performance Committee of Judo Canada will recommend the course of action. In situations where major amendments (change to the merit of the selection procedure) are proposed to these published selection criteria, upon approval of these changes by the COC, a memorandum with the amended version of the criteria will be emailed from Judo Canada to the COC, all Provincial/Territorial Judo Associations; Coaching staff and all athletes involved in the selection process. This amended document will also be placed immediately on Judo Canada's website in replacement of the older version.

In situations where small adjustments are made, these, upon approval by the COC, will be communicated to all National Team Members and coaches of these athletes, no later than 4 weeks in advance of the affected event. This amended document will also be placed immediately on Judo Canada's website in replacement of the older version.

X-Decision making authority

In the context of Judo Canada's authority, the INP outlines clear and consistent statements regarding the individuals or committees charged with making final internal nomination decisions. Judo Canada designates the authority to the High-Performance Director, who may consult with relevant committees or high-performance staff as part of the decision-making process. However, the INP ensures that the ultimate decision-making authority is explicitly identified to prevent any ambiguity. Additionally, Judo Canada

prioritizes measures to avoid conflicts of interest, whether real or perceived, maintaining impartiality and fairness throughout the nomination process. This clarity reinforces trust and accountability within the framework.

XI- INP Publication

The **INP (Internal Nomination Procedure)** and any amendments will be distributed to all eligible athletes and support team members promptly after approval. The document will be made available through secure and accessible means to ensure all stakeholders are informed. Specifically:

• The INP will be sent directly via email to eligible athletes and support team members to ensure immediate access.

| Date | Activity |
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| 09-Jan-25 | INP published |
| 21-Apr-25 | Deadline for selection |
| 15-Jul-25 | Deadline for nomination |
| August 9 – 23, 2025 | Asuncion 2025 Junior Pan American Games |

Timelines Summary