



Welsh Judo Association
Cymdeithas Judo Cymru

ThisIsJudo
Red & Yellow Belt Rumble
Saturday 17 January 2026



Organiser Contact Details:	Events Team, Welsh Judo Association www.welshjudo.com/events competitions@welshjudo.com					
Event Introduction:	<p>This ThisIsJudo Red & Yellow Belt Rumble will run alongside the British Schools Regional event. This event is an opportunity for younger judoka in Academic Years 4 & 5 (and those aged over 8 in Year 3) to gain competitive experience in a supportive environment.</p> <p>The event will be piloting Accumulative Scoring rules and is about creating the best opportunity possible for developing judoka. Wherever possible, judoka together will be grouped with others of similar experience and level.</p> <p>Taking the first steps onto the tatami can be the hardest part, which is why every judoka will be recognised for their effort and courage with a well-deserved medal.</p>					
Venue Address:	Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff, CF11 9SW					
Event Date:	Saturday 17 January 2026					
Event Level:	British Judo Level 2 for all categories.					
Entry process:	<p>Entry is via Welsh Judo website at www.welshjudo.com/event</p> <p>Telephone, postal or email entries will not be accepted. Late entries cannot be accepted.</p> <p>All entries must be received by Friday 09 January 2026</p>					
Participation	<p>If you are uncertain of your eligibility, please contact competitions@welshjudo.com</p> <p>Competitors must hold current Welsh Judo, British Judo or affiliate membership. All competitors MUST bring evidence of VALID judo membership and grade to registration. Introductory licences are not valid for competitions and will not be permitted at registration.</p>					
Group A Female	<p>For judoka born between 01 September 2015- 17 January 2018. Must be a minimum of 8 years old.</p> <p>Grades: Red & Yellow Belt (Novice, 1st Mon, 2nd Mon & 3rd Mon, 4th Mon, 5th Mon & 6th Mon) Gender: Female</p>					
Group B Male	<p>For judoka born between 01 September 2015- 17 January 2018. Must be a minimum of 8 years old.</p> <p>Grades: Red & Yellow Belt (Novice, 1st Mon, 2nd Mon & 3rd Mon, 4th Mon, 5th Mon & 6th Mon) Gender: Male</p>					
Competition Format, Rules and Judogi Rules	<p>The event will pilot Accumulative Scoring rules.</p> <p>A contest consists of one 3 minute round. Time is paused when resetting, but fighters must return to ready position quickly.</p> <p>A competitor can win a fight by having 20 or more points more than their opponent, at this point the fight is completed.</p> <p>If at the end of the time there is a tie in the points, then there will be a golden score – the first point to score wins.</p> <table><tr><td>Yuko: 2 Points</td><td>Waza-Ari: 5 Points</td><td>Ippon: 10 Points</td></tr></table>			Yuko: 2 Points	Waza-Ari: 5 Points	Ippon: 10 Points
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	<p>Penalties:</p> <p>When a shido is awarded, that person loses a point and their opponent gains a point. Additional to current rules for awarding shidos, a shido must be awarded in the case that a fighter does:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not get straight back to ready position during matte.• On the 6th Penalty, it is an automatic win awarded to opponent.• In the case of a severe breach of rules Direct Hansoku-make is awarded, this results in automatic win for the opponent. <p>The wearing of white judogi is compulsory for this event. Female judoka must wear a plain white T-shirt under judogi for contests. All long hair must tied up without metallic clips or ties.</p>		
Categories and Grouping	<p>Competitors will be placed into pools of judoka based on weight, gender, age, and grade in the interest of creating the best possible competitive experience.</p> <p>The Tournament Director reserves the right to combine different groups if necessary, depending on the number of players entered.</p>		
Weigh-in & Registration	<p>Saturday 17 January 2026</p> <table><tr><td>Group A Female 08:00 to 08:30</td><td>Group B Male 08:00 to 08:30</td></tr></table> <p>All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo licence (Welsh Judo, British Judo or affiliate) to registration and also their record book showing they meet the grade criteria. All grades will be checked by National Governing Body for validity. Introductory licences are not valid for competition.</p> <p>Both male & female judoka must weigh-in wearing contest legal judogi trousers, and plain round neck t-shirt.</p>	Group A Female 08:00 to 08:30	Group B Male 08:00 to 08:30
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Closing Date for Entries	<p>Online entry will close on Friday 09 January 2026.</p> <p>No late entries can be accepted after this date.</p>		
Entry Fee	<p>£20 Early Bird (before Friday 21 December 2025) or £28 (from Tuesday 22 December 2025 to closing date on Friday 09 January 2026)</p>		
Photography/Filming	<p>By entering the event, all participants and parents or guardians of participants are consenting to photography/filming which may be taken by the BJA/WJA or an official BJA/WJA contractor at the event. You also accept that these photographs or video may be used in future BJA publications or published by the contractors. If you wish to opt-out of the above please contact competitions@welshjudo.com</p> <p>Photographers & film makers must be accredited. Photographers & film makers must register for accreditation by 14th January 2026 by contacting competitions@welshjudo.com. Photographers & film makers must be able to provide proof of valid DBS.</p>		
Coaching Passes	<p>Coaches must apply for a coaching accreditation pass by registering via www.welshjudo.com/coach-schools/ by the registration closing date of Wednesday 24 January 2026.</p> <p>Coach registrations will be checked with British Judo or relevant governing body to confirm eligibility to coach.</p>		



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	Coaches must ensure that they attend the coaches briefing prior to the commencement of the event. This is particularly important to introduce the Accumulative Scoring ruleset. The referee in charge will give a briefing on any updates
Payment	All payments must be made by Credit or Debit Card via the online system when entering. Your entry will not be accepted without payment being made.
ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES (including injury). PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IF THE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.	