

Higham and Rushden Judo Club Under 8's Festival 25th January 2026

Venue	Higham and Rushden Judo Club, Unit 5 Factory 2, Sanders Lodge Industrial Estate, Rushden, Northamptonshire, NN10 6BQ
Groups (All ages relate to the day of festival)	Group 1: Girls aged 5-7 Group 2: Boys aged 5-7
Participation	All competitors MUST hold a current BJA, BJC or AJA license. NO LICENSE NO JUDO! By entering and/or attending this event you agree to abide by all British Judo Association policies and codes of conduct. This includes but is not limited to: • Transgender policy https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/what-we-do/policies/transgender-eligibility-and-participation-in-competition-policy/ • Codes of conduct https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/membership-terms-conditions/ • Contest rules https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/compete/organising-a-competition/contest-rules/ • Stoma bags: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/participation-in-competition-with-prosthetic-limbs/ Prosthetic limbs: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/participation-in-competition-with-prosthetic-limbs/
Judogi Rules	All competitors will wear a judogi, not BJJ/Karate etc. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEIGH IN IN A T-SHIRT AND GI BOTTOMS (Please use the changing rooms to get changed) All Judogi must fit correctly.
Contest Rules	Contests shall be 2 minutes. An Under 8's Festival includes Fun and Games, encouraging children to be active and enjoy the event, whilst socialising with others.
Competition Format	All participants will be weighed on the day and grouped into Pools depending on gender, age, weight, and grade . Using the index system (Age x2+grade+weight). All efforts will be made to find a suitable group for each competitor, the Tournament Director will consult coaches/parents if any suitable matches can't be found (anyone without a group will be informed and refunded).
Weigh-in Times	Weigh in times will be confirmed on our Facebook page approx. 1 week before the competition- this is due to having to know how many entries we have first.
Spectators, coaches and officials.	Entry is free of charge for spectators, however, please remember this is a development event and it's about learning. Some of the referees and table officials will also be developing, so please bear with them. Remember children are watching your behaviour for examples how to behave. Seating is limited therefore be respectful of others and do not reserve with bags etc. There will be a tuck shop selling food and drinks throughout the day (<i>cash only</i>).



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	If any over 11's would like to try their hand at timekeeping they would be welcome, competitions can't run without table officials and there is a real shortage throughout the country, so where better to try it out than at a development event, please speak with Rob on the day.
Closing date	Entries will be accepted up to Sunday 18 th January or before if full.
	Coaches please keep your eye on our Facebook page
	(www.facebook.com@HRJUDOCLUB) as we may request some late entries to fill
	categories or attempt to find a group for someone who has entered.
Cost	Entry £15
	All participants will receive a medal.
Entries	All Entries for via the following link www.hrjc.co.uk/competitions
	Please make payments to:
	HIGHAM AND RUSHDEN JUDO CLUB LTD ACC: 51519977 SC: 60-83-71
	BACS REFERENCE FORMAT: Your child's name followed by Comp e.g. <i>JOE BLOGS COMP</i>