

Royal Marines Open

Saturday 3rd October 2026

Venue Address	Commando Training Centre Royal Marines Main Gymnasium Exmouth, Devon EX8 5AR
Key Dates	Entries Open: Immediately Entries Close: Monday 28th September 2026 (or when max capacity is reached) Late Entries: May be considered on a case-by-case basis depending on numbers. Any late entries taken will be subject to a £5 surcharge
Participation Criteria	Competitors MUST hold a current BJA or affiliate membership. NO LICENCE = NO ENTRY = NO EXCEPTION This event is Open to everyone, NOT EXCLUSIVE to military personnel
Weight Categories	Senior Men: Dan Grades (1st Kyu & Above) – MINIMUM AGE 16 -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg & +100kg Senior Woman: Dan Grades (1st Kyu & Above) – MINIMUM AGE 16 -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg & +78kg Senior Men: Kyu Grades (2nd Kyu & Below) – MINIMUM AGE 16 -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg & +100kg Senior Woman: Kyu Grades (2nd Kyu & Below) – MINIMUM AGE 16 -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg & +78kg
Registration & Weigh-in	This is an OPEN WEIGH-IN Judogi Trousers and T shirt/ Rashguard must be worn by all and for which a 0.8 Kg allowance will be given. 08:45 – 09:30 Saturday 3rd October 2026 – Kyu Grade Men 10.00 – 10.30 – All Women 11:00 – 11:45 Saturday 3rd October 2026 – Dan Grade Men Please Note: Test Scales will be available at registration (weight changes can be made at this point if necessary). Valid ID (Passport / Drivers License) will be required at the main Guard room

Accommodation / Transport links	Exeter – 20 mins Approx Holiday Inn Express Exeter Premier Inn Exeter Exmouth – 10 mins Premier Inn Exmouth Airports: Exeter – 20 mins Bristol – 1:30 mins Approx Train – Lymptstone Commando Train Station (Request to stop through the conductor)
Competition Format, Contest and Judogi Rules	The intended method of elimination for this event will be Compound Knockout with double Repechage for 8 players or more, 7 players or fewer will be pools. Contest times will be 4 minutes for all contests. Golden Score: Unlimited for all contests IJF Rules will be in operation. Please note the following: • No 30 second rule • Judogi measurements as per 2017 IJF rules. • IJF Approved Judogi Not Compulsory, However Judogi MUST FIT Medals will be presented once all contests have been completed after the finals block. This tournament qualifies for points scoring for promotional purposes. Players MUST bring both Licence and record book to validate grade.
Entry Fee	Enter Via Link or scan: https://forms.office.com/e/yJLUfbFRcP £30 Per single Entry payable to: Account details. Mr R J Hutton, Acct: 07441844 Sort: 04-00-03 Reference: Your Surname - Judo Contact: Robert.hutton101@mod.gov.uk for entry confirmation Spectator Fee: £5 towards the RM Charity (allows for tea / coffee throughout the day) 
Photography & Filming	By entering the event, all participants are consenting to photography/filming which may be taken by the RM Judo or an official MOD contractor at the event. You also accept that these photographs or video may be used in future RM Judo publications or published by the contractors. If you wish to opt-out of the above, please contact Robert.hutton101@mod.gov.uk
Closing Date	28th September 2026 or when capacity of 150 has been reached A waiting list will be produced, if necessary, after the closing date

Sponsorship Opportunities	If you would like to sponsor this event, please get in touch. Prizes will be awarded to the gold medallist in each of the DAN grades groups. Men's Dan Grades – Prizes donated by Paul Bowman London Watches Women's Dan Grades – Prizes donated by Paul Bowman London Watches
Safeguarding	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/ https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/roles-and-clubs/roles/referees/resources/ • Stoma bags: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/participation-in-competition-with-stoma-bags/ • Prosthetic limbs: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/participation-in-competition-with-prosthetic-limbs/ / You must contact the organisers and events@britishjudo.org.uk if you require any support at the event or have any questions regarding the above points. Please note that failure to comply with these policies and codes of conduct may result in not being able to compete/attend this event, or removal from the event, and notification to the British Judo Association.
Tournament Director	Kim Tilley
Referee In Charge	Dave Francis
Welfare Officer	Colin Francis
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. Event Supported by Western Area Judo Association. All proceeds going to the Royal Marines Charity, donations also greatly accepted. MAX CAPACITY FOR THIS EVENT IS 150. BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT Queries regarding online entries should be sent to:- Robert.hutton101@mod.gov.uk	