

Introduction	<p>The Welsh Judo Association are excited to announce the hosting of the British Minors Championships, providing an opportunity for the youngest judoka from across the United Kingdom to experience a fun, developmental national event.</p> <p>The British Minors Championships are designed to focus on positive experiences, contest opportunity, and skill progression, ensuring that every participant has a chance to perform and enjoy their day.</p> <p>During this year's event, we intend to provide the best possible experience for all athletes and have included additional training sessions around the competition. This event will serve as an opportunity to gather learning and insight to share with the Progressive Events Commission, supporting the ongoing development of innovative and athlete-centred competition formats across British Judo.</p>
Organisation / Entries	<p>Competitions Team, Welsh Judo Association, Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff CF11 9SW</p> <p>www.welshjudo.com/events</p> <p>competitions@welshjudo.com</p>
Venue	<p>Sport Wales National Centre Address: Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, Wales, CF11 9SW</p>
Date	<p>Sunday 3rd August 2025</p>
Entry Process and Important Dates	<p>Entry Opens – Monday 28 April 2025</p> <p>Closing date for entries is strictly: Fri 25th July 2025 OR when entry is full.</p> <p>If you are uncertain of your eligibility, please contact the BJA events team at events@britishjudo.org.uk or competitions@welshjudo.com</p> <p>Competitors must hold a current British Judo Association, Welsh Judo or affiliate membership. All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo membership to registration along with their record book which shows they meet the minimum grade.</p>
Age Bands	<p>Players born in the years 2013, 2014 and 2015.</p> <p>Minimum grade: 4th Mon (Yellow belt).</p>
Competition Format	<p>This is a British Judo Level Three event.</p> <p>BJA rules will apply throughout the event and will be in accordance with the Tournament Handbook. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final.</p> <p>The event intends to operate using a Compound Knockout format (repechage for bronze) where numbers permit. In the spirit of maximising development and positive experience, the organisers reserve the right to adapt the competition format (e.g., round-robin or pools) where appropriate, with the aim of ensuring each athlete has the opportunity to participate in multiple contests wherever possible. Final formats will be confirmed after the close of entries.</p>

	<p>British Judo Contest Rules will be in operation. Please note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Restrictions will apply to all categories • No 30 second rule • Judogi measurements as per 2024 British Judo rules. • IJF Red label judogi rules or the requirement to wear judogi of specific suppliers will not be required at this event. <p>The wearing of both white judogi & blue judogi is not compulsory for this event. All competitors must have a white judogi available.</p>
Medals	Medals will be presented after the finals.
Seeding	There will be no seeding in place.
Weight Categories	<p>Boys: -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, +50kg Girls: -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, +52kg</p> <p>Please note: Test scales will be available. Players may change weight categories during the registration process (weight changes must take place prior to the player stepping on the official weigh in scales).</p> <p>The organisers reserve the right to add or amalgamate weight categories depending on the number of entries in the respective weight categories.</p>

Registration & Weigh-In	<p>The weigh-ins & weigh-in will take place at Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff.</p> <p>Sunday 3rd August 2025</p> <p>Minor Boys: 08.30 to 09.00</p> <p>Minor Girls: <i>Estimated 11.00 to 11.30</i> Confirmed weigh-in times will be announced after entry period closes.</p> <p>All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo licence and proof of grade (record book) to registration.</p> <p>An open weigh-in will take place at this event for all competitors. Please note that due to this, ALL competitors will receive the weight allowance. ALL competitors MUST weigh in wearing their competition judogi trousers and white round neck t-shirt.</p> <p>All competitors will receive a 0.8kg allowance.</p> <p>Players are NOT permitted to change in the designated official weigh-in area.</p>
Entry Fee	<p>Entries received before 18 June 2025 - £25 per person</p> <p>Entries received from 19 June 2025 will be charged at £31 per person</p>
Spectator Tickets	<p>Spectator Tickets will be available for advanced purchase via https://britishminors2025.eventbrite.co.uk</p> <p>Online: £5 per ticket (u16's free of charge)</p> <p>Spectator tickets will be also available on the door at the venue from 08:30</p> <p>On the day: £8 per ticket (u16's free of charge)</p>
Coach Registration	<p>Only coaches with a valid coaching credentials will be allowed a matside coaching pass to coach. Each coach must register in advance to receive matside accreditation. Please review coaching qualifications and licensing summary to check you have the appropriate qualifications.</p> <p>Coach registration deadline: 25 July 2025</p> <p>www.welshjudo.com/2025minorscoach/</p>
Photography	<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 and film makers looking to become accredited must contact competitions@welshjudo.com by 25th July 2025. All accredited photographers/film makers must be able to provide proof of clear DBS.</p>

Venue Travel And Public Transport	<p><u>Car Parking</u></p> <p>There is a car park with disabled parking at the front of Sport Wales National Centre, parking is on a first come first serve basis and is free while using the centre.</p> <p>Alternatively, there are a number of other car parks within short walking distance, please review the Cardiff Council website for further detail.</p> <p><u>Public Transport</u></p> <p>Cardiff is serviced by regular direct coach and rail network. Direct coaches available from major UK airports with National Express and Megabus. Cardiff Coach Station is located 200m from Sport Wales National Centre.</p> <p>Further details can be found by visiting Sport Wales National Centre website.</p>								
Additional Training Sessions	<p>Additional training opportunities are available free of charge.</p> <p>The additional training sessions will be amalgamated with the VI & Adaptive sessions is open to all judoka regardless of level or ability.</p> <p>No pre-registration is required to attend.</p> <p>Competitors do not have to take part in the competition to take part in the training camp.</p> <p>Saturday 02 August 2025</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>18:00 – 19:30</td><td>Training session for Minors with VI & Adaptive</td></tr> </table> <p>Sunday 03 August 2025</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>10:00 – 12:00</td><td>VI & Adaptive Training Camp – Session 1 (Minors welcome)</td></tr> <tr> <td>13:00 – 15:00</td><td>VI & Adaptive Training Camp – Session 2 (Minors welcome)</td></tr> <tr> <td>18:00 – 19:30</td><td>Training session for Minors with VI & Adaptive</td></tr> </table> <p>Venue: National Judo Centre, Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff, CF11 9SW.</p>	18:00 – 19:30	Training session for Minors with VI & Adaptive	10:00 – 12:00	VI & Adaptive Training Camp – Session 1 (Minors welcome)	13:00 – 15:00	VI & Adaptive Training Camp – Session 2 (Minors welcome)	18:00 – 19:30	Training session for Minors with VI & Adaptive
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Event Channel	<p>Keep up to date the latest information and announcements by following the Event WhatsApp Channel</p>								
Payment	<p>Online Entries for all athletes</p> <p>Payment MUST be made by credit or debit card via the online entry system.</p>								
<p>ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES (including injury).</p> <p>PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IF THE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.</p>									