



2026 BRITISH SCHOOLS ADAPTIVE AND VI CHAMPIONSHIPS Level 3



Organisation / Entries	<p>Events Team, British Judo Association, Wolverhampton University, Walsall Campus Gorway Road, Walsall, West Midlands, WS1 3BD</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)121 728 6920</p> <p>Email: events@britishjudo.org.uk Website: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/event/british-schools-championships-2026/</p> <p>Visually Impaired judoka can enter the mainstream competition, only if their age category competes on the Saturday. Adaptive judoka who are level 1 can enter the mainstream competition, only if their age category competes on the Saturday.</p>
Venue	English Institute of Sport, Coleridge Rd, Sheffield, S9 5DA
Date	Sunday 8 th March 2026: Visually Impaired & Adaptive Judo.
Entry Process and Important Dates	<p>Early Entry Opens – Monday 19th January 2026 Early Entry Closed – Sunday 1st February 2026 Early Entry Fee - £35</p> <p>Late Entry Opens – Monday 2nd February 2026 Late Entry Closes – Friday 20th February 2026 Late Entry Fee - £40</p> <p>Entry via the online system takes only a couple of minutes to complete and will ensure that your entry is processed correctly, and the payment is processed immediately via our secure system. The online entry system can be accessed via https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/event/british-schools-championships-2026/</p> <p>Online entry only. When entering online please provide an email address for your school (form tutor or PE teacher) for us to provide results of the event.</p>
Event Eligibility and Participation	<p>This event is open to all children attending a school in Great Britain, and who hold a current valid licence of the BJA, Judo Scotland, NIJF, WJA, BJA or AJA. Children in Education who meet the requirements of Adaptive Judo are eligible.</p> <p>If you attend a British School but hold a licence with an unaffiliated governing body, who are recognised by the IJF, there will be an additional charge. Please enter as usual and once entry has been confirmed the events team will in contact.</p> <p>Minimum age 8yrs of age and maximum of 21 on the day of the event. There is no minimum grade (players will be grouped according to experience and adaptive level). Disabilities include - Sensory, Visual, Learning, Physical etc, for more information contact adaptive@britishjudo.org.uk Players must be members of the British Judo Association or affiliated partners. All players MUST bring their VALID judo membership and record book (licence) to the event. All coaches will be responsible for ensuring that their athletes are ready for this level of competition.</p>

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Seeding	There will be no seeding for this event.
Registration & Weigh-In	<p>The weigh-ins will take place in the Basketball Hall at English Institute of Sport, Sheffield.</p> <p>Sunday 8th March 2026: Adaptive and VI 09:00 – 10:00 Adaptive and VI Competition start time: TBC</p> <p>All competitors MUST bring their VALID judo licence and proof of grade (record book) to registration.</p> <p><u>Open weigh in</u> All competitors MUST present themselves to the weigh-in wearing competition acceptable judogi trousers and must wear a plain crew neck t-shirt for weigh ins. All competitors will receive a 0.8kg allowance.</p> <p>Players are NOT permitted to change in the designated official weigh-in area.</p> <p>Sweating Off: If a player is seen by BJA staff or officials sweating off, they will be asked to go straight to the scales and weigh in. A toilet visit is allowed <u>in this situation</u>, but no more running. If the athlete refuses to go to the scales they will be withdrawn from the competition.</p>
Spectator Tickets	<p>Spectator Tickets: £6 Concession Tickets: £3 - include: Under-16's, Senior Citizens, Students (must produce a valid NUS card).</p> <p>Spectator tickets will be available on the door at EIS, Sheffield from 07:30 during the event weekend (all tickets are subject to availability).</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 or an official BJA contractor at the event. You also accept that these photographs or video may be used in future BJA publications or published by the contractors in order to promote the positive aspect of our sport. If you wish to opt out of the above, please contact events@britishjudo.org.uk or contact a member of BJA staff at the event.</p>
Coaching Passes/group leader	<p>Coaches MUST produce a VALID BJA Coach Card in person in order to be eligible for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To gain entry free of charge to BJA centrally administered National Events. This excludes EJU and IJF events. • To gain mat-side access with their player at a BJA centrally administered National Event (Only one coach per player will be permitted at any one time). Coaches must be level 1 or higher. <p>If you are attending the event but will not have a coach with you (For Example - if you are travelling with your PE teacher) please include this information on the entry form. For this event valid Level 1 or higher coaches can coach matside.</p>
Volunteer Development	This event will be used as a volunteer development event for young officials and referees.

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Safeguarding	<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 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/<ul style="list-style-type: none">o 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/ <p>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.</p> <p>These policies and codes of conduct are in place to ensure everyone attending the event have a good experience.</p>
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British School Championships guidelines – for judoka, coaches and parents

Judoka

- Help beginners or lower grades, if you can.
- Follow all judo rules throughout the event.
- Bow correctly at the beginning and end of a contest. It is not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game.
- Accept decisions; let your coach ask any necessary questions.
- Control your temper, do not shout or abuse other judoka or officials.
- Be a good sport, cheer all good play, and respect all of your fellow judoka.
- Remember that the aims of the British Schools Championships are to have fun, help you develop as a judoka, improve your skills, and conduct yourself in a sportsman-like manner.
- Represent the ideals, disciplines and etiquette of British Judo to the highest level.
- Treat all judoka as you would like to be treated, do not take unfair advantage of any judoka.
- Co-operate with your coach and opponents, without them you do not have a game.
- Contestants without instruction, adjust their judogi, so that the front and back of the jacket are inside the belt after every mate.

Parents and Coaches

- Please be aware that children develop differently, at different rates and react differently to the same pressures.
- Children and young people are involved in organised sport for their enjoyment as well as yours and so please respect this at all times.
- Always encourage your child to train and compete by the rules of judo.
- Teach your child that effort and teamwork are as important as victory, so that the result of each contest is accepted without unnecessary disappointment and with a positive sporting attitude.
- Never ridicule or shout at your child for making a mistake or losing a contest.
- Children learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team.
- Do not question publicly the officials' judgement and never their honesty.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities.
- Set an example by being friendly to the parents of the opposition, emphasise enjoyment and fun, praise and reinforce effort and improvement.
- Coaching is allowed throughout competition.
- Please remind your child/judoka that without instruction, they should adjust their judogi, so that the front and back of the jacket are inside the belt after every mate (see new BJA rules).

ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES (including injury).
PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IF THE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.

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Contest Level Help Sheet

LEVEL 1 ('Good' level player)

This judoka can train and compete with mainstream players. This competitor has a good understanding of the meaning and goal of the competition. All visually impaired players will be divisioned in Level 1 unless they have additional needs. If there are insufficient VI players to make up VI pools they will be allocated to appropriate Level 1 SN pools.

(CRITERIA: This judoka is very capable of taking part in competition).

LEVEL 2 ('Medium-good' level player)

This judoka can train and take part in randori with mainstream players. This judoka mostly understands the meaning and goal of the competition.

(CRITERIA: This judoka is capable of taking part in competition).

LEVEL 3 (Medium' level player)

This judoka can take part in training with mainstream players but only competes in special competitions with competitors of the same level.

(CRITERIA: This judoka understands the rules, meaning and goal of the competition.)

LEVEL 4 ('Medium-weak' level player)

This judoka may only be capable of taking part in special training and competitions. This judoka needs guiding during the competition but generally understands the rules and goal of a competition.

(CRITERIA: This judoka needs guiding during the competition but understands the rules and goal of a competition).

LEVEL 5 ('Weak' level player)

This judoka may only be capable of taking part in special training and competitions with specialist care. This judoka needs a lot of guidance during the competition. The competition might need to be adjusted to the competitors. Due to safety considerations, this judoka may be restricted to compete only on the ground (ne-waza).

(CRITERIA: This judoka needs a lot of guidance during the competition. The competition may need to be adjusted to suit the judoka's capabilities.)