



BRITISH OPEN ADAPTIVE AND VI JUDO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026



Organisation / Entries	Southern Area E-mail: events@sajudo.org.uk Website: Southern Area Judo																								
Venue	Woking Leisure Centre, Kingfield Road, Woking, Surrey, GU22 9BA																								
Date	Sunday 2nd August 2026																								
Entry Process and Important Dates	Entry Opens - w/c 4th May 2026 Closing date for entries is: Friday 24th July 2026 OR when entry is full. Online entry via: https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/event/british-adaptive-and-vi-open-2026/																								
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Age Bands	<p data-bbox="344 1695 887 1720">Athletes are divided into two age bands:</p> <ul data-bbox="392 1727 887 1787" style="list-style-type: none"> - under 15 (Born in 2012 until 2017) - over 15 (Born in 2011 and older) <p data-bbox="344 1818 1505 1883">Competitors grouped into pools with a minimum of 2 contests and maximum age difference of three years between where possible.</p> <p data-bbox="344 1915 1505 1980">Consideration of pools will be given within divisioning and at the discretion of the Tournament Director.</p>																								
Competition Level	<p data-bbox="344 2009 1505 2101">This is a Level Three event, 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>																								



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Medals	Medals will be awarded at the end of both the morning session and the afternoon session.
Divisioning	<p>Prior knowledge and mat assessments will determine the players ability and groups. Communication between Coaches/Carers and Organisers to determine appropriate categories for new judoka</p> <p>The Tournament Director will decide the groups based upon historic information and player entry forms. Consideration of pools will be given within Divisioning and the discretion of the Tournament Director. The Tournament Directors decision is final.</p>
Entry Fee	£35 per person
Spectator Tickets	Spectators are free.
Photography	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@sajudo.org.uk or contact a member of BJA staff at the event.
Accommodation	<p>Options for accommodation are plentiful in and around Woking. Some options are shown below or try www.booking.com or www.hotels.com</p> <p>Double Tree - DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Woking - Guest Reservations We have secured a discount at the Double Tree by using the below code when booking. https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=XWOWODI&corporateCode=113558868</p> <p>Travel lodge - Travelodge Woking Central hotel - Woking Central hotels</p> <p>Premier Inn - Woking Town Centre Hotels Book Hotels In Woking Premier Inn</p>
Venue travel and public transport	The leisure centre has a very large car park which is free on a Sunday (competition day). Please note, that there is a parking charge before 1800 on Saturday (weigh in and Divisioning).



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Judogi and Aids	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Only white judogi can be used. 2. Aids are considered outside the standard Judo uniform as described in the IJF Tournament Regulations. 3. The Judogi must be adjusted to the physical limitations of the judoka; however, it must not hinder the opponent from performing proper judo technique. 4. Wearing white socks with rubber grip dots in Ne-waza is allowed for medical reasons. 5. Wearing a plain white round-neck T-shirt/rashguard under the judogi is mandatory for female athletes. For male athletes, plain white T-shirts/rashguard may be worn. 6. Wearing a mouthguard is allowed and meets regulations. 7. Aids must be safe for both the wearer and the opponent and cannot contain hard substances or surfaces, to be decided at the discretion of the main referee. 8. The opponent may not be disadvantaged, nor may the wearer have an unreasonable advantage from the aid. Glasses cannot have hard surfaces and must fit flush to the face. Sports glasses are allowed once authorised by the tournament director and under the condition that they do not present a risk to either athlete.
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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.

Contest Level Help Sheet	<p>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).</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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.)</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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.)</p>
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