



Pan American Championship of Kata 2020

Kata competition rules



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NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Each country can register the maximum of 10 couples, the maximum being 3 per kata. Competitors can participate in two katas. Competitors must be of the same nationality of the registered country.

Competitors who have dual citizenship can only represent one Nation.

When a competitor changes their nationality, he or she must wait 3 (three) years before representing the new country.

Create a new class for cadet competitors from 16 to 22 years old in 2020 and the minimum graduation 1st Dan.

They can compete in the Nage no Kata and Katame no Kata. The teams will be separated by age:

- Group 1 - Competitors must be at least 16 years old in 2020 and the minimum 1 Dan;

Observation: The age of Tori and Uke is considered. The competitor must choose in which class to compete and cannot compete in the Cadets and Category 1 in the same event.

Age division:

Age	Year of birth	Minimum Graduation	
From 16 years	2004 onwards	1° Dan	Category 1
16 to 22 years	1998 to 2004	1° Dan	Cadets *

The official official competitions of Kata for this championship will be five for Group 1 and Cadets (only nage no kata and katame no kata).

- Nage-no-Kata;
- Katame-no-Kata;
- Ju-no-Kata
- Kime-no-Kata;
- Kodokan-Goshin Jutsu;





The 2019 FIJ Kata Assessment Rules will be used to judge the Kata with reference also in the official Kodokan videos and books.

SYSTEM OF POINTS

There are five judges and they will score the points on the official score sheet of the FIJ / PJC. For each technique the total points of the three judges will be added to produce the final score: the maximum score and the minimum score for each technique will be canceled. The total kata score will be the sum of the points of the five judges.

Definition of errors:

- **Forgotten technique**

The omitted technique will be scored as zero and also the final score of the couple will be cut in half. If more than one technique is forgotten the score for the technique will also be zero, but the total score will not be halved again. Finally, if the score reduced to half does not know an integer, the number will be rounded up.

- **Big mistake**

When the execution of the principle is incorrect (5 points are deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 1);

- **Medium error**

When one or more elements of the principle is not applied correctly (3 points are deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 1);

- **Small mistake**





Imperfection in the application of the technique (1 point is deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 2)

The score for each technique can be increased by 0.5 point, added in the column "correction value" to "+" or "-".

For each technique without a big error, the minimum to qualify must be 4.5.

In Nage no Kata, left and right techniques will be comprehensively evaluated (just one point).

The couple enters and leaves the competition on the opposite side of the shomen: the start and end of the kata (opening and closing) is 8 m or 10 m, depending on the dimensions of the tatami. Any Tori or Uke behavior within the competition area that is against the kata spirit will reduce the ceremony score.

In case of equal score between couples, the following criteria will be applied, considering the score sheets of the five judges.

- Total value of big mistakes - whoever has the least mistakes wins;
- If still the same, the total value of the errors means - whoever has fewer errors wins;
- If still the same, the value of small mistakes will be considered - the couple with the least mistakes wins;
- If still the same, the average score (evaluated until the second decimal place) of the entire presentation will decide.

The couple with the best score wins.

If two couples, both qualified in third in the tie (or in the sixth case there is only one group) are still tied after the use of all the above, the two couples will be qualified for the final.

If two couples placed in first, second or third during the final remain tied after the use of the mentioned criteria, the kata will be repeated so that the medal is assigned.

JUDGE SYSTEM

Five judges under the supervision of the Kata PJC commission will evaluate each Kata. The five judges will be located on the side of the Shomen and will be seated approximately 1 m away from each other.

The neutrality rule will be applied: a couple cannot be judged by a judge of the same nation.





The position of the five judges will be the same for the entire competition. If one of the judges is temporarily substituted, he will be placed in his original position when he returns to the competition.

A judge cannot be a competitor.

The judges must always be in their positions before the arrival of the couple in the competition area.

The couple enters and leaves the competition area on the opposite side of the judges: The central judge if raised and with arms extended and palms turned up, invites the couple to enter the competition area.

COMPETITION OF AREA

The competition area has the minimum dimensions of 8 x 8 and maximum dimensions of 10 x 10 meters and should be covered by tatami or similar acceptable material. The competition area will be set on a sturdy floor. When more areas are contiguous in the competition area, a common safety area of not less than 2 meters is necessary.

A strip of visible adhesive color approximately 10 cm long and 5 cm wide should be fixed in the center of the competition area, 6 m separately to indicate the position of the

Tori and Uke. The center of the competition area will be indicated by an adhesive strip of the same color.

INJURY, DISEASE OR ACCIDENT

When the Tori or Uke cannot continue on account of injury, illness or accident during the execution of the Kata, the couple will be considered out of the competition.

In the case of a small injury, such as a bloody wound, a broken nail or a problem with contact lenses, the execution of the kata will be interrupted and a doctor will attend the competitor outside the competition area. The competition will continue and the couple will repeat the kata entirely immediately after the last presentation. In the case of a new small injury happening with the same competitor during the second performance of the kata, the couple will be considered out of the competition. In the



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event that a small injury occurs after a forgotten technique, the couple will be considered out of competition.

JUDGES

The competitions will be judged by qualified kata judges with FIJ / PJC. The rules of kata to be followed are those published by the FIJ / PJC.

The number of judges per federation is limited to:

Participating countries can send 4 judges.

Non-participating countries can send 2 judges.

The PJC commission of kata can decide on the number of judges according to the inscriptions.

Each participating federation that has FIJ / PJC judges must register at least one judge.

Only judges registered by the federation can judge.

The table that establishes the groups and the draw for each group will be made on the day before the competition at the hotel.

Note: The examination for judges kata will take place the day before the competition.

The judge who does not show up at any PJC / FIJ event will lose his or her license

JUDOJI CONTROL

The competitors will use white judogi and black belt.

Judogi approved: competitors must use an IFJ approved judogi with blue or red label supplied by one of the following suppliers: Greenhill, SFJAM NORIS, DANRHO, MIZUNO, Double D Adidas, HAYAKAWA, Fighting Film, Budo Sport AG, ESSIMO, MATSURU BV, Kappa, Daedo, Toyo Martial Arts.

The judogi must have an official FIJ label "APPROVED JUDOJI" with an optical code, which cannot be falsified. The label will be controlled with an optical reader. Each item of clothing (jacket, pants and belt) must have the FIJ label. The jacket and pants must have the same label color. The belt may have a different color from that used on the jacket and pants.

BACKNUMBER



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Each competitor is forced to sew a "back number" on the back of his judogi with his last name and the abbreviation of his International Olympic Committee. The "back number" must be fixed horizontally and centralized on the backs of your judogi. It must be at a distance of 3 cm from the lowest part of the necklace. The "back number" can be ordered at www.mybacknumber.com Delivery can take up to 4 weeks.

Advertising: competitors can carry the symbol of the FIJ and the exclusive sponsor of the event on the back of their jacket. Advertising in judogi must be in accordance with the regulations of the IJF.

Refer to the Judogi Control Guidance Document.

National Emblem: athletes can wear their national emblems on the front left side within a space of 100 cm².

The judogi control will be done during the registration of the participants.

N.B is the responsibility of the competitor to observe the FIJ regulation rules.

NOTE: For Cadet Class only;

The use of Judogi with a label approved by the IJF and Backnumber will not be mandatory.

PARTICULAR RULES FOR WOMEN

Women should wear under the jacket, a plain white T-shirt, with short sleeves, strong enough, long enough to wear inside the pants, or a white leotard with short sleeves. All other regulations must be observed.

AWARDS

Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for Group 1, 2 and cadets.

