



Organisation / Entries:	BJA Eastern Area events@bjaeasternarea.co.uk						
Venue:	Breckland Leisure Centre, Croxton Road, Thetford, Norfolk, IP24 1JD						
Date:	Sunday 2 nd February 2025						
Entry Process:	Entry form available below						
	Please return via email (scanned copy). This is an online entry event; postal entries will not be accepted.						
Participation:	This is • a Level 2 Development event for Academic Years 4 to 7 • a Level 3 Development event for Academic Years 8 to 13 It is not open to the following:						
	Years 4-7: No eligibility restrictions.						
	Years 8 & 9: Any player who has won a medal at last year's British Pre-Cadet or Cadet Championships (December 2023). EXCEPTION: any player who won less than two contests at either event IS eligible.						
	Years 10 – 13: Any player with 100 points or more of the British Cadet or Junior Ranking Lists on 31 st December 2023.						
	This event is open to all school children who comply with the criteria above an hold a current valid licence of the BJA, Judo Scotland, NIJF, WJA, AJA or BJ						
	Players can change weight categories between this event and the British Schools Championships (March 8/9 2025)						
	NO VALID LICENCE - NO CONTEST – NO EXCEPTIONS – NO JUDO						
Competition Format:	Armlocks and strangles are permitted in Academic Years 10-13 and will be points scoring for eligible players						
	Method of Elimination The British Judo Association rules will apply throughout the competition. The method of competition will be compound knockout in categories of 8 or more players and pools and knockout in categories of 7 players or less. The Tournament Director reserves the right to combine or alter categories should entries dictate. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Director will be final.						
	Contest Duration Academic Years 4 - 7: 3 minutes, 3 minutes Golden Score, Referees Decision. Academic Years 8 & 9: 3 minutes, Unlimited Golden Score. Academic Years 10 - 13: 4 minutes, Unlimited Golden Score.						

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Seeding:	There is no seeding.					
Weight Categories:	Academic Years 4 & 5 (born 1 September 20013 to 31st August 2015) Academic Years 6 & 7 (born 1 September 2011 to 31 August 2013) Minimum grade 4th Mon Male: -27kg, -30kg, -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, and +55kg. Female: -28kg, -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, and +57kg. Under 12 years technical restrictions will be used in Academic Years 4 - 7					
	Academic Years 8 & 9 (born 1 September 2009 to 31 August 2011) Minimum grade 6 th Mon Male: -34kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, and +66kg. Female: -32kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, and +63kg.					
	Academic Years 10 to 13 (born 1 September 2005 to 31 August 2009) Minimum grade 9 th Mon or 4 th Kyu Male: -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, -55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, and +90kg. Female: -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, and +70kg.					
	Please note that the minimum grades for regional competitions are lower than minimum grade for the British Schools Championships. Ranking list eligibility for the British Schools Championships will go by the ranking list on December 31st 2023.					
Registration & Weigh In:	As a high number of competitors will be under 18, an open weigh-in will take place for all players. All female and male competitors MUST present themselves to the weigh-in wearing competition acceptable judogi trousers and must wear a plain crew neck t-shirt/rash guard for weigh-in.					
	All competitors will receive a 0.8kg allowance.					
	Weigh-in times					
	Years 4/5: 9.00 to 9.30					
	Years 6/7: 10.00 to 10.30					
	Years 8/9: 10.00 – 10.30					
	Years 10 – 13 11.00 – 11.30					





British School Championships guidelines – for judoka 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 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 sportsperson-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 must, without instruction, adjust their judogi so that the front and back of the jacket are inside the belt after every mate

Parents/ 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 always respect this
- 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/judoka 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 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





Closing Date for Entries:	See below						
Entry Fee:	Entries received before 17:00 Friday, 10 th January - £20.00 per person Entries received after 17:00 Friday, 10 th January- £25.00 per person						
	Entry will be deemed as accepted once full payment has been received						
	Event fees should be paid directly to the BJA Eastern Area Sort Code 30-99-08 Account Number 22971468						
	Entry fees are not refundable under any circumstances (including injury) unless the event is cancelled or postponed						
Spectators:	In line with BJA Eastern Area commitment, there is no fee for spectators						
Coaching Passes/group leader:	 Coaches MUST produce a VALID BJA Coach Card in person to be eligible for the following: 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). If you are attending the event but will not have a coach with you (For example you are travelling with your PE teacher) please include this information on the entry form. 						
Catering:	The cafeteria at Breckland Leisure Centre is now closed Outside catering vans providing hot and cold food may be in attendance Vending machines are available on site						

The information provided here may be updated. The latest version can be found on the BJA Eastern Area website





Name	M/F	Weight	Age	Grade	Year /Group