



2024 ARMED FORCES JUDO TEAM SELECTION STANDARD PROCEDURES

1. COMPETITION RULES: Current International Judo Federation (IJF) as amended by the Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) Judo Sports Committee.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

a. For all events and categories, only those athletes who are selected to the U.S. Armed Forces Judo Team (CISM Team or the Team) can represent the United States at this event. Only athletes who are active duty military, guard, or reserve will receive selection consideration.

b. All athletes must have a valid USA Judo (USAJ) membership in good standing and meet all eligibility requirements of USAJ, the Judo International Federation (IJF), U.S. Armed Forces Sports and CISM.

c. All athletes must be in good standing with USAJ, IJF, CISM, U.S. Armed Forces Sports and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA).

d. Athletes must also possess a current Official (red) Passport. Failure to secure either of these documents in a timely manner, as determined by the Team Manager, will result in dismissal from the Team.

3. APPLICATION PROCESS. All applicants shall:

a. Complete the appropriate sports application for the respective Service branch by the prescribed deadline.

b. Send to the athlete's appropriate Service branch sports office. Application deadlines will be announced in advance based upon the schedule for CISM World Championship events. CISM Team application deadlines will be announced accordingly.

c. Applications/Application process can be found visiting the following website: <https://armedforcessports.defense.gov/For-Athletes/How-to-Apply>. (Follow your Service logo)

4. SELECTION CRITERIA:

a. There will be no automatic selections to the CISM Team; all selections will be discretionary. All eligible athletes will be given the same selection consideration with no preference given to members of specific clubs, teams, or geographic regions.

b. Discretionary team selection will be made by the Team Manager, in consultation with a selection panel. The primary purpose is to select the best physically, psychologically and technically prepared athlete(s) in order to produce medal-winning performances. Based on the context of the situation, the selection panel will evaluate which athletes should be selected to the team in order to field the strongest, soundest and most unified team for this event. Discretionary selections shall be based on the following minimal prioritized criteria:

1) National Rankings. Judokas within the top-ten nationally ranked athletes of their respective weight class.

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2) International Competitions. Have been invited to compete in an international class A+, class A, or Class B-Level Events.

3) National Championship. Judokas who have competed in the U.S. Senior Nationals (USN) or the USA Judo National Presidents Cup Championship (PRZ) and medal in their respective weight class. However, further evaluation of the Judokas' performance within the last 18 months will be necessary to ensure readiness to compete in international competition.

4) Priority will be given to athletes who are nationally ranked and/or have competed in A+, A, or B-Level events. Those who have only competed in the one of the C-Level events above will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, with emphasis on the volume of events competed in as well as past CISM experience.

c. There is no requirement to fill the roster for each specific designated CISM event or gender or weight class. Selections will be made based on the ability of athletes to meet the selection criteria.

d. The selection procedures may be subject to change based on the host country or CISM Judo Sports Committee.

5. SELECTED ATHLETES

a. Selected athletes are expected to compete in a regular schedule of training and competitions, as approved by the Team Manager, between the team selection and the CISM Championship. The reason for schedule approval is to ensure the athlete's focus is on CISM Team preparation.

b. The Team Manager will nominate/select and manage all athletes and staff who participate in these events.

c. All aspects of the team travel, and all on-site logistics and housing for this event will be centrally managed. All athletes and staff who are part of the official U.S. Armed Forces Judo Team delegation for this event must function as a team.

d. U.S. Armed Forces Sports and U.S. Armed Forces Judo committee will NOT be responsible for or manage logistics for personal team managers, personal coaches/staff, athletes' families, spouses, friends or significant others. It will be the responsibility of these individuals to make separate arrangements for housing, food and transportation and they will be responsible for all costs related to any separate arrangements they might make. Additionally, these individuals will NOT be credentialed as part of the CISM Team for this event and will therefore not be allowed in the USA Team cabin(s) or pit areas unless specifically granted that privilege by the Team Manager.

e. If possible, the CISM Delegation will be gathered together for staging prior to departure. This normally will be approximately 3-5 days prior to the start of the CISM Championship.

f. Athletes are expected to arrive with all identified requirements, as directed by the designated Team Manager.

g. The event draw shall be determined by the CISM Judo Sport Committee.

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h. All team members must complete Anti-Terrorism (AT) Level-1 within 12 months prior to travel; Level-A SERE Training within 36 months prior to travel; ISOPREP submitted or reviewed within 6-12 months prior to travel.

i. All athletes selected to the CISM Team must sign prior to and as a condition of being selected to the CISM Team, and abide by all required forms including, but not limited to:

1) Armed Forces Sports Higher Level Advancement Form – OCONUS (Appendix C)

2) Armed Forces Sports Athlete Code of Conduct (Appendix D)

3) CISM Anti-Doping Education and Declaration Form (Appendix L)

4) Coaches, Team Captains and Chiefs of Mission must sign the aforementioned forms, with the exception of Appendix (L). Coaches and Team Captains must also sign the Team Captain/Coach Letter of Instruction (LOI) (Appendix G); and the Chiefs of Mission must sign their respective LOI (Appendix I).

5) The above forms and information books can be found on the U.S. Armed Forces Sports web site (armedforcessports.defense.gov).

6) Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the Team. Failure to abide by these and other required agreements will result in dismissal from the Team.

j. All athletes and staff must abide by all USAJ, IFJ, CISM, WADA and USADA anti-doping regulations prior to, during and after the competition period for this event per IJF anti-doping regulations. Athletes failing or refusing to sign the “CISM Athlete Consent Form” for anti-doping screening shall be deemed ineligible from all competitions and will be considered a violation of the Armed Forces Sports Athlete Code of Conduct policy. In the event of a positive “A” sample, this clause applies starting from the notification of the abnormal analysis result to the athlete.

6. COMPETITION RULES AND GUIDELINES: Within the United States, USA Judo rules apply. Regulations of the International Judo Federation Rules and the CISM Judo Sport Committee govern conduct of the CISM Judo Championship events. General CISM rules govern other aspects of the CISM event.

7. TYPICAL SCHEDULE OF CISM EVENTS: As determined by the official invitation

8. TYPICAL CISM DELEGATION COMPOSITION

- 9 Male Athletes (7 competitors/2 reserves)
 - 9 Female Athletes (7 competitors/2 reserves)
 - 3 Coaches (if sending more than five (5) men and five (5) women)
 - 1 Ad Libitum/Medical
 - 1 International Referee
 - 1 Team Captain
 - 1 Chief of Mission
- Total = 25

9. TYPICAL COMPETITIVE EVENTS IN A CISM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

a. Men and women individual competition and team competitions.