



**Asian Open Kata  
Tournament  
Hong Kong**  
亞洲柔道形公開賽  
**2025**

JUDO  
KATA

柔道形

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# 1. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Before Travelling

Passport must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival.

- Check host country/region entry requirements and airline requirements (if applicable)
- Check if you need a visa, and if yes, request it from the LOC according to the details in **ENTERING THE HOST COUNTRY/REGION** section.
- Send travel information (arrivals and departures) to the LOC
- Book accommodation with the LOC

## Entering host country/region

Each individual is responsibly to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter, COVID-19 etc.) for the host country/region. Entry rules may be subject to change, at present all specific Covid-related rules for entry were lifted.

## Insurance

It is the responsibility of each participant to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any COVID-19 related costs, including repatriation. The LOC of the event and the JUA accept no liability for any claims relating to cancellation of the event due to COVID-19 or medical costs for any COVID-19 related illness that may affect them during the event.

## Deadlines

|                                                    |                                 |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Visa Application Form (with passport photocopies): | NO LATER THAN October 10, 2025  |
| Final Hotel Reservation and Payment                | NO LATER THAN October 17, 2025  |
| Travel Schedule:                                   | NO LATER THAN October 17, 2025  |
| Registration:                                      | NO LATER THAN November 13, 2025 |

## Visa

Visa-free:

[https://www.immd.gov.hk/pdf/Full\\_List\\_of\\_Visa-free\\_Access\\_or\\_Visa-on-arrival\\_for\\_HKSAR\\_Passport\\_en.pdf](https://www.immd.gov.hk/pdf/Full_List_of_Visa-free_Access_or_Visa-on-arrival_for_HKSAR_Passport_en.pdf)

Please send the "Visa Application Form"[ <https://www.immd.gov.hk/pdfforms/ID1003A.pdf>] fully filled with copy of recent photograph in passport size and scanned Passport Copy in Proper Manner to the LOC and JUA, [competition@hkjudo.org](mailto:competition@hkjudo.org) and [chekuonghon@gmail.com](mailto:chekuonghon@gmail.com) , not later than Friday, **October 10, 2025.**

The LOC will assist with visas where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant. Please note that visa approvals or rejections are done by Government authorities and the local organizer has no control over this and cannot be held responsible for any rejections.

## 2. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### 2.1 LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

|                |                                                                              |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Name</b>    | The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China                                     |
| <b>Address</b> | Room 1024, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong |
| <b>Tel.</b>    | +852 2504 8360                                                               |
| <b>Email</b>   | secretary@hkjudo.org                                                         |

#### JUA and LOC Contacts:

| JUA General Secretariat                                                                                                                              |           | JUA Head Sports Director                                                                                                                                  |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Mr. Mukesh KUMAR,<br>General Secretary, JUA<br>C2/154, West Enclave, Pitam Pura, Delhi, India<br>Tel No.: +91-9818353870<br>Email: mkgsjua@gmail.com |           | Mr. CHE Kuong Hon,<br>JUA Head Sports Director<br>Avenida de Venceslau de Morais, No.218A,<br>Macau Daily Building, Macau<br>Email: chekuonghon@gmail.com |                |
| Local Organizing<br>Committee                                                                                                                        |           |                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| General Enquiries                                                                                                                                    | Mr. JIM   | competition@hkjudo.org                                                                                                                                    | +852 6335 7997 |
| Visa                                                                                                                                                 | Ms. WANG  | competition@hkjudo.org                                                                                                                                    | +852 6335 7997 |
| Accommodation                                                                                                                                        | Ms. CHAN  | secretary@hkjudo.org                                                                                                                                      | +852 9830 0786 |
| Transport                                                                                                                                            | Ms. CHENG | secretary@hkjudo.org                                                                                                                                      | +852 9830 0786 |

### 2.2 DATE

The competition will be held on: **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2025**

### 2.3 VENUE

Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre  
1 Expo Drive, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

### 2.4 AGE & GRADE

15 years old and over (Born in 2010 and before). Pairs may be formed of either 2 males, 2 females, or a male and a female.

## 2.5 KATA

The Kata recognized for this tournament, will be five:

- Nage-no-Kata (Senior and U21)
- Katame-no-Kata (Senior and U21)
- Ju-no-Kata (Senior and U21)
- Kime-no-Kata (Senior)
- Kodokan Goshin-jutsu (Senior)

## 2.6 PARTICIPATION

Please refer to the IJF **SOR** Section 4 Entries and Accreditation and Appendix B Regulations for Kata.

### **Seniors group:**

Participants must be a minimum of 15 years of age in the year of the competition. They shall have a minimum of 1st dan.

A pair can be made up of athletes of any gender.

They will have the opportunity to do one (1) or two (2) of the following kata: nage-no-kata, katame-no-kata, ju-no-kata, Kodokan goshin-jutsu and kime-no-kata.

Participants will have the opportunity to play the same role in the second kata or reverse roles or to do the second kata with a different partner.

### **U21 group:**

For the U21 age group both tori and uke must be under 21 years old and at least 15 years old in the year of the competition. They shall have a minimum of 1st kyu.

A pair can be made up of athletes of any gender.

A pair can do one kata between nage-no-kata (5 sets), ju-no-kata (3 sets) and katame-no-kata (3 sets). They will also have the opportunity to perform in two (2) kata.

Participants will have the opportunity to play the same role in the second kata or reverse roles or to do the second kata with a different partner.

An U21 athlete can participate for his second kata in the senior division in a different kata than the one performed in U21

This Asian Kata Tournament is open for all JUA / IJF Member Federations. There is no limit in the number of participations for every federation. The competitors must be of the same nationality as the National Federation, which enters them.

Pairs participating in kodokan-goshin-jutsu and kime-no-kata are responsible to bring their weapons.

#### **a. Insurance**

Each National(Regional) Federation/Association is responsible for insuring its competitors against <<injury and third-party risk (public liability) during the period of the tournament. Each National (Regional) Federation / Association will assume all responsibility for accident and health insurance as well as the civil liability for their contestants and officials. The Judo Union of Asia, the Organizing Committee of the Asian Kata Tournament HK 2025, and The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China will not be responsible of any claims of illness, injury and death, of any participants/officials whatsoever.

#### **b. Attitude of the competitors**

The member Federations are responsible for the behavior and attitude of their competitors at the Tournament.

## **2.7 REGISTRATION**

All participants and delegates must be registered for this event in the online form:

[\[https://forms.gle/SEWddkY2QGwrR6YH7\]](https://forms.gle/SEWddkY2QGwrR6YH7) (Judobase is not required.)

**Deadline for the registration is Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> 2025**

The costs for travel, board and lodging of the judges are at the costs of the member national federation

By subscribing to the Asian Kata Tournament HK 2025, all participants and delegations agree that their pictures or videos could be used for Kata promotions and as tool for education and for seminars.

## 2.8 ENTRY FEE

No entry fee is required for this tournament

## 2.9 ACCREDITATION & CONTROL

Passports or photocopies of passports from all competitors must be available on request (national ID Card showing nationality and date of birth or a copy is also accepted). An accreditation card with a photograph will be issued to competitors and officials.

## 2.10 CLOTHING

### Judogi

Participants must wear a white judogi, a black belt and a backnumber in accordance with IJF rules (SOR Appendix C). A brown belt without an IJF label is authorised for the U21 age group.

### Backnumber

Each competitor is obliged to have sewn on the back of his judogi a backnumber bearing his/her surname and his/her National Olympic Committee abbreviation.

The backnumbers must be fixed horizontally and centered on the back of the judogi. They must be placed at a distance of 3cm from the bottom of the collar. The backnumber can be ordered from [www.mybacknumber.com](http://www.mybacknumber.com) or <http://www.ijfbacknumber.com/> and others IJF suppliers are allowed (see <https://www.ijf.org/supplier-list> )

The delivery can take up to 4 weeks

### Hygiene

- The Judogi shall be clean, dry and without unpleasant odor.
- The nails of the feet and hands shall be cut short.
- The personal hygiene of the athletes shall be of a high standard
- Long hair must be bound with an elastic band.
- Spectacles, jewelry pieces are prohibited.
- Make up is not allowed.
- The Backnumbers will have to be sewn already on the Judogi.

## **2.11 COMPETITION FORMULA**

Each Kata will be divided into two groups by draw if the entries of any kata are over eight pairs: the top three pairs with the maximum points from each group will compete in the finals. The finals will be done on one mat. If the number of pairs is 8 or below, there will be only one group with a direct final. For each Kata, the pair with the most points will be awarded the gold medal. The pair with the second most points will be awarded the silver medal, and the third – the bronze medal; All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

## **2.12 DRAW**

The draw to establish the groups and the sort of each group will be done the day before the competition. The draw of the finals will be done in the sports hall after the preliminary rounds.

# **3. JUDGES**

## **3.1 LEVEL OF JUDGES**

The contests will be judged by IJF/JUA or National qualified Kata Judges.

## **3.2 SYSTEM OF JUDGING**

The IJF “2025 Criteria for Kata Evaluation” will be used to judge the kata with reference also to the official Kodokan kata textbooks.

For each performance, the five judges will award points on the official IJF electronic scoring system or scoring sheets. Three scores will be totaled to obtain the score of a technique (the maximum score and the minimum score will be cancelled for each technique). The final score of the whole kata will be the sum of the scores for each technique.

The evaluation of every technique of kata must consider the principle and the opportunity of execution: the evaluation (including the opening and closing ceremony) must be comprehensive. In the nage-no-kata, right and left techniques will be evaluated comprehensively (only one score).

Definition of mistakes:

- Forgotten technique/major mistake - will score zero and in addition the total final score of the kata pair will be halved. If more than one technique is forgotten the score for that technique will also be zero but the total final score for the pair will not be halved again.

- Big mistake - when the execution of the principle is incorrect (5 points are deducted, and the maximum number of crosses is 1).
- Medium mistake - when one or more elements of the principle are not applied in the correct way (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 total score for each technique can be increased or decreased by 0,5 point adding in the column of the "correction value" a "+" or a "-".

The pair who has the better score will win.

In case of equal score between pairs, the following criteria will be applied as a tie breaker:

- Total number of big mistakes of all five (5) judges will be considered - the pair who made the fewer big mistakes wins.
- If still equal, total number of medium mistakes of all five (5) judges will be considered - the pair who made the fewer medium mistakes wins.
- If still equal, total number of small mistakes of all five (5) judges will be considered – the pair who made the fewer small mistakes wins.

If two pairs, both placing 3rd in the eliminations are still equal after all the above-mentioned criteria, both pairs will qualify for the final. If two pairs placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd during the final are still equal after the above-mentioned criteria, the kata will be repeated so that the medals can be assigned.

### **3.3 COMPETITION AREA**

The competition area dimension is 10 m x 10 m and shall be covered by tatami. Two strips of visible coloured adhesive tape, approximately 5 cm wide and 50 cm long, shall be fixed 3 m apart from the centre, to indicate the starting position of tori and uke. The centre of the competition area shall be indicated with a strip of adhesive tape of the same colour.

### **3.4 INJURY, ILLNESS and ACCIDENT**

When Tori or Uke is unable to continue because of injury, illness or accident during the execution

of the Kata, the pair will be considered out of competition.

In case of Minor injury like bloody wound, broken nail or a problem with contact lenses, according

to the decision of the judges, the Kata execution will be stopped and the athlete will be assisted by

a Doctor out of the competition area.

The competition will continue and the pair will repeat entirely the Kata soon after the last called

pair. In case a new Minor injury happens at the same athletes during the second execution of Kata, the pair will be considered out of competition.

In the case that Minor injury happens after a forgotten/major mistake, the pair will be considered out of competition

### **3.5 SITUATIONS NOT COVERED BY THE RULES**

When any situation arises which is not covered by these rules, it shall be dealt with and a decision will be given by the organizer or JUA Sports Commission.

## 4. LOCAL INFORMATION

### 4.1 TRANSPORT

|                       |                                             |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Airport:              | Hong Kong International Airport             |
| Train Station:        | High Speed Rail: Hong Kong West Kowloon     |
| Station Ferry Port:   | Macau Ferry Terminal                        |
| Cross-boundary Coach: | Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Control Point |

The organizer will provide transfers between the Airport / Train Station / Port and official hotel, and from official hotel to where the activities planned for the Asian Kata Tournament HK 2025 take place. Transportation will be offered only to those participants who are hosted in official hotel.

### 4.2 OFFICIAL HOTEL

| Official Hotel            | Single Room (BB) | Twin Room (BB) | Triple Room (BB) |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Harbour Plaza North Point | US\$170          | US\$120        | US\$90           |

Address: 665 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong  
Distance to Venue: 15 minutes by Car

All the prices are per person per night in US dollars.

Check in time: After 3:00 pm

Check out time: Before 11:00 am, any checkout after this time will be charged for one more day.

Hotel reservations are made ONLY through the Organizer on a first come first serve basis. The LOC will do their best to provide your first choice of accommodation but, as rooms might be limited, this cannot be guaranteed. After the accommodation deadline, the LOC cannot promise rooms in the hotels detailed in these outlines and another official may be added.

IMPORTANT: All damages to property of hotels or venues resulting from the stay of a national delegation shall be charged to federation and paid in full.

**Deadline for final hotel reservation and full payment: October 17, 2025**

-Cancellation fees: On and after Oct 17, 2025, any cancellation, reduction of room number or no-show will result in 100% of the charge of the hotel costs that must be paid by the national federations. Cancellation of the rooms cannot be made at the check-in. Injuries, Visa problems or sickness are not valid reasons for the cancellation of rooms.

#### 4.3 PAYMENT DETAILS

All payments should be transferred to the following bank account:

Please input below information correctly and completely on the transfer document, any procedure related to amendment for the bank transfer has to be done by the participation team before arrival to Hong Kong for the Asian Kata Tournament HK 2025.

|                         |                                                                                           |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beneficiary Name:       | The Judo Association of Hong Kong,                                                        |
| China Bank Account No.: | 015 177 68 00055 7                                                                        |
| Bank Name:              | The Bank of East Asia Limited                                                             |
| Bank Branch:            | Shek Tong Tsui Branch                                                                     |
| Bank Address:           | Shop I & J, G/F, Sun On Building,<br>484-496 Queen's Road West, Shek Tong Tsui, Hong Kong |
| SWIFT Code:             | BEASHKHH                                                                                  |
| Tel.:                   | +852 3609 1612                                                                            |
| Fax.:                   | +852 3609 3174                                                                            |
| Purpose of Transfer:    | AJOKata2025 <Invoice #>                                                                   |

All event fees, bank fees and bank transfer costs must be paid by the participant/national federation.

**PAY ATTENTION TO FRAUDULENT EMAILS. USE ONLY THE BANK DETAILS FROM THE OFFICIAL OUTLINES.**

## Schedule & Program

| Time                   | PROGRAM (Provisional Time Schedule)                                                                                                                                                                          | Place                        |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| November 20 (Thursday) |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                              |
|                        | Arrival of Delegations, Referees and Guests                                                                                                                                                                  | Harbour Plaza<br>North Point |
| 19:00 – 20:00          | Registration and Accreditation for Kata Competitions                                                                                                                                                         |                              |
| 20:30                  | Manager Meeting & Draw for Kata Competitions                                                                                                                                                                 |                              |
| November 21 (Friday)   |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                              |
| 10:00                  | <b>Kata Championships (Preliminaries and Finals):</b><br>Nage-No-Kata (Senior & U21)<br>Ju No Kata (Senior & U21)<br>Katame-No-Kata (Senior & U21)<br>Kime-No-Kata (Senior)<br>Kodokan Goshin Jutsu (Senior) | TBD                          |
|                        | Awards Ceremony                                                                                                                                                                                              |                              |
| November 22 (Saturday) |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                              |
| All Day                | Departure of Delegations                                                                                                                                                                                     |                              |

**Attention: The program is provisional. The schedule of the contests may be modified according to the total number of entries**