

Sanctioned Events **NOT RUN** by USA Judo

Host Club / Clinician Information

1. Must be current USA Judo club and/or member.
2. Clinician should have current USA Judo membership, NCSI Background Screen through USA Judo, U.S. Center for SafeSport Training, and CDC/NAYS/CATT Concussion Training.
3. The Event Director must sign USA Judo's Tournament Sanctioning Acknowledgement form through the Sport:80 platform which requires them to follow USA Judo's policies regarding SafeSport, the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies ("MAAPP"), reporting situations, banned/suspended members, weigh-ins and locker rooms, and signage postings.

Venue and Eligibility Rules

1. All mat areas, age brackets, and basic rules laid out in USA Judo's Standard Operating Procedures must be followed. This document may be found at <https://www.usajudo.com/events/event-sanctioning>. Any questions on this may be directed to Vaughn.Anderson@usajudo.us.
2. Event Directors and all participants must adhere to USA Judo's Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics, and MAAPP policies.

Participant Tracking

1. All participants must be tracked and reported back to USA Judo. This includes, but is not limited to, athletes, coaches, referees, volunteers, table workers, medical, media, weigh-in officials, and event staff.
 - a. The participant names can be supplied to USA Judo in lists or registration information. Event Directors are encouraged to use USA Judo's 'Event Tracking Tool' to ensure participants who are required to have a current SafeSport training on file are in compliance. The tracking tool may be found at <https://www.usajudo.com/events/event-sanctioning>. Participants that are required to take the SafeSport training include coaches, referees, medical personnel, team managers, and adult participants that have regular contact with and/or authority over minor athletes. USA Judo's MAAPP Appendix lists a table breaking down each adult participant role that is required to take the SafeSport training annually.
 - b. **Event Directors must ensure that all participants are in good standing with USA Judo. USA Judo active members may be viewed on this page at all times: <https://usajudo.sport80.com/public/widget/7>. All participants must be checked against USA Judo's Banned and Suspended List to ensure they are compliant. This list may be found at <https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport/disciplinary-actions>.**

- c. Participants that have “regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes” are required to have a current SafeSport CORE/Refresher training on file at all times. This is defined as an adult participant that has ongoing interactions with a minor athlete over a 12-month basis. This includes regular practice/randori between an adult and minor. More information and examples of this may be found in USA Judo’s MAAPP policies: <https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport>. This includes coaches, referees, medical staff, and those that have self-identified as having regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes within their club.
- d. Those on a jurisdictional hold who should be barred from participating will be checked by USA Judo’s Event staff upon receipt of an event’s participant tracking tool and/or registrations. USA Judo will then immediately notify the Center of anyone on a hold that has participated.

Registration

1. Coaches/Referees

- a. Participating coaches and referees must be in good standing with the following certifications in their USA Judo profile: U.S. Center for SafeSport CORE/Refresher training, CDC/NAYS/CATT Concussion training, approved Background Screen conducted by NCSI through USA Judo, and a USA Judo coaching/referee certification. **Those that are listed on USA Judo’s Banned List are not eligible for membership or participation.**
- b. USA Judo recommends that all coaches and referees are “credentialed” to ensure compliance. It is strongly recommended that each event has an online registration process for coaches and referees to ensure compliance beforehand. Additionally, coaches and referees must be checked on site to ensure compliance. Any walk-up registrations must be checked against USA Judo’s active coach and referee lists to ensure certifications are valid. **Please note that physical USA Judo coach badges are not sufficient proof of a valid coach license.** All coaches must be checked against the list of active coaches to ensure all trainings/requirements are met before being able to coach.
- c. Active coaches may be viewed on this page at all times:
<https://usajudo.sport80.com/public/widget/3>.
- d. Active referees may be viewed on this page at all times:
<https://usajudo.sport80.com/public/widget/4>.

2. U.S. Athletes

- a. All participants must be in good standing with USA Judo prior to competition. USA Judo has a real time list of all members that can be found here:
<https://usajudo.sport80.com/public/widget/7>.

3. International Athletes

- a. Foreign athletes that wish to compete in a sanctioned USA Judo event must receive approval from USA Judo's National Office. For more information please contact Austin.Leath@usajudo.us.
4. Others (staff, vendors, media, medical)
 - a. All participants must be checked against USA Judo's Banned and Suspended List. Participants that have "regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes" are required to have a current SafeSport CORE/Refresher training on file at all times. More information and examples of this may be found in USA Judo's MAAPP policies: <https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport>. This would include coaches, referees, event staff, medical staff, and those that have self-identified as having this role within their club.
 - b. Medical personnel and trainers can use the U.S. Center for SafeSport *Health Professionals* course to supplement the CORE/Refresher Trainings if necessary. Event staff and team managers must take the CORE/Refresher Trainings to maintain compliance.

Communication

1. Event Directors **must** send all participants USA Judo's MAAPP policies and reporting information that includes the reporting protocols for each of the alleged types of misconduct, sexual, physical, emotional and MAAPP violations prior to the event for review. **A sample with required verbiage may be found at the end of this document.**
2. All walk-up registrants or day-of volunteers must either be shown/given signage that includes links to USA Judo's MAAPP policies and reporting information. Signage for use may be found at <https://www.usajudo.com/events/event-sanctioning>. Automatic emails upon event registration with this information is also acceptable.
 - a. Reporting information **must** include the verbiage found in the sample communication at the end of this document.

Sanctioned Event Directors must follow the rules laid out in this document, USA Judo's Standard Operating Procedures and USA Judo's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP). Failure to follow the rules and policies may result in denial of future sanction requests by the host club or clinician.

National Events run by USA Judo

Registration

1. Any person that is banned or suspended by USA Judo will be prevented from registering for USA Judo National events and membership through the Sport80 platform.

2. Athletes and coaches who did not register online are still required to register through the online platform and have proper credentials and/or membership in good standing before entry into any USA Judo National Tournament. The aforementioned members will register at a single point within the venue to ensure that everyone is accounted for. Members will be required to show a form of self-identification and a SafeSport certified USA Judo staff member will handle the registration.
3. Coaches/Referees
 - a. Coach and Referee categories have requirements that will ensure those members have all proper qualifications and credentials. Participating coaches and referees must have each of the following certifications be current in order to be in good standing with their USA Judo profile: U.S. Center for SafeSport CORE/Refresher training, CDC/NAYS/CATT Concussion training, approved Background Screen conducted by NCSI through USA Judo, and a USA Judo coaching/referee certification.
 - b. The Sport80 platform will notify each participant if a training/certification is due to expire before the event is held. Coaches and referees will attend meetings where credentials will be handed out and certifications checked again if needed. Coaches will meet with a USA Judo staff member to check all certifications and registration within the event prior to the event starting. The MAAPP policies, reporting information, and any updates from the Center will be discussed and shown during the two meetings for both coaches and referees. Referees will be handled by the Head Referee of each event, however USA Judo staff will verify each referee's certifications prior to the event.
 - c. Though uncommon, referees may be asked to attend sanctioned events as "reserves" in case a replacement or additional referee is needed. Reserve referees, if used, should be reported to the Event Director before the event to ensure all proper certifications and trainings are on file. If the referee does not have all training/screening requirements fulfilled by the time of the event, they will not be allowed to participate.
4. U.S. Athletes
 - a. All athletes must be current USA Judo members to compete in a USA Judo National Event. USA Judo's Sport80 platform will prevent members that are not in good standing from registering. Members that are required to be SafeSport trained will not be allowed to register unless they are current with their training.
5. International Athletes
 - a. Foreign athletes that wish to compete in a USA Judo National event must receive approval from USA Judo's National Office. For more information please contact Austin.Leath@usajudo.us.
6. Others
 - a. Assigned medical personnel and trainers (non-emergency), event staff, and team managers (if the event allows) are required to be SafeSport Trained and

Background Screened before participating in a national event. Medical personnel and trainers can use the Health Professionals course to supplement the CORE/Refresher Trainings if necessary. Event staff and team managers must take the CORE/Refresher Trainings to maintain compliance. For National Events, USA Judo will confirm all medical personnel, event staff, and team managers before the event begins and a staff member(s) will check for compliance. If someone does not have the proper certifications they will not be allowed to participate. If someone would like to sign up for this role last minute or act as a replacement, USA Judo staff will confirm certifications through physical certificates, the Sport80 platform, or the Absorb Platform before they are able to participate.

- b. Volunteers and media personnel are fluid lists that can fluctuate during National Tournaments. Both lists are reviewed before the National Tournament takes place and are compared against USA Judo's Banned and Suspended list by a USA Judo staff member. During the technical official/volunteer meeting, attendance will be taken to ensure no one on the banned list is present. Copies of and/or links to the MAAPP and reporting information will be provided. During the event, all volunteers and media personnel will have labeled shirts or badges that will indicate the job they are assigned to; these shirts and badges are held by USA Judo staff and are handed out after confirmation and a check against the banned lists and the SafeSport trained list if applicable. If a new volunteer shows up, an ID check against the banned lists will be done by USA Judo staff. If a volunteer is required to have SafeSport training, the check will be done at the same time with the Sport80 platform or by viewing a copy of the SafeSport certificate provided by the individual. Media and medical personnel will be checked against the banned lists prior to the event. If a new individual shows up, they will be checked against the lists before participating.

Communication

1. USA Judo will send all online registrants links to USA Judo's MAAPP, Safe Sport policies, and reporting information that includes the reporting protocols for each of the alleged types of misconduct, sexual, physical, emotional and MAAPP violations, before the event begins. Any participant that is not included in this email will be given handouts with this information or directed to signage upon check-in.

Regular checks of the membership database for suspended members occur monthly and directly before any USA Judo National Event by USA Judo staff. The Suspended and Banned Members List can be found here (<https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport/disciplinary-actions>) or by clicking the 'Disciplinary Actions' icon within the Safe Sport page at [usajudo.com](https://www.usajudo.com). Any member that appears on USA Judo's Suspended and Banned Members List is prohibited from participating in any capacity at a USA Judo sanctioned event. This list should be referenced if there are any questions or concerns.

The Sport80 platform requires each member over the age of 18 to self-identify whether or not they have regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes. If an adult member selects “Yes” as to having regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes, the system will require them to complete the SafeSport Core Training/Refresher courses. If the membership is active and they do not have the training requirement fulfilled, their membership will be placed in an “Action Required” status which will notify the member and prohibit them from registering for any event held on the Sport80 platform.

Participants that have a trial membership are eligible to only compete in local/regional USA Judo sanctioned events provided their membership is current for the duration of the event at which they compete. Membership may be checked through the online registration in Sport80 or the online public list of all current USA Judo members. Any person who has not had a previous USA Judo membership is eligible to purchase a short-term or trial membership. Short-term memberships are available online and the participant is asked their age and their status of “regular contact and/or authority over minor athletes” as is with other USA Judo membership types. All participation and communication protocols outlined in this document must be followed for these participants.

Participants that have an “Event-Only” membership are eligible to only compete in non-point USA Judo sanctioned events provided their membership is approved. Membership may be checked through the online public list of all current USA Judo members. Participants under the age of 17 may purchase four (4) Event-Only memberships per calendar year. Participants over the age of 17 are restricted to one (1) Event-Only membership per calendar year. These memberships are only valid for the days of the tournament.

Communication Sample

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Dear Participant,

Thank you for registering for or assisting with [EVENT NAME]. Please remember that USA Judo and all USA Judo - sanctioned events must adhere to the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) derived from the U.S. Center for SafeSport; all USA Judo members, spectators, and volunteers / media are also expected to follow these rules and regulations during the entirety of the event. Paper copies and signage will be available on site while the full range of policies can be found here:

<https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport>.

All MAAPP and SafeSport violations can be reported formally or anonymously through an online reporting form or by phone. Please review the details below for types of reportable misconduct and information on how to report allegations:

USA Judo - <https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport/usa-judo-reporting> or 719-866-3621

- 1. Non-sexual Child Abuse*
- 2. Emotional and Physical Misconduct, including Stalking, Bullying Behaviors, Hazing, and Harassment*
- 3. Criminal Charges or Dispositions not involving Child Abuse or Sexual Misconduct*
- 4. Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy or other similar Proactive Policy violations*
- 5. Misconduct Related to Aiding and Abetting, Abuse of Process, or Retaliation, when it relates to the processes of the USOPC, USA Judo, or your organization.*

US Center for SafeSport - <https://safesport.i-sight.com/portal> or 833-587-7233

- 1. Sexual Misconduct, including without limitation child sexual abuse and any misconduct that is reasonably related to an underlying allegation of Sexual Misconduct*
- 2. Criminal Charges or Dispositions involving Child Abuse or Sexual Misconduct*
- 3. Misconduct Related to Reporting, where the underlying allegation involves Child Abuse or Sexual Misconduct*
- 4. Misconduct Related to Aiding and Abetting, Abuse of Process, or Retaliation, when it relates to the Center's process*
- 5. Other Inappropriate Conduct, as defined in the U.S. Center for SafeSport's Code*

