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# NANKA SPRING 2024 JUDO DEVELOPMENT TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Nanka Judo Yudanshakai

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**Sunday, March 3, 2024. Tournament starts at 09:00 AM**

<b>Venue:</b>	Westminster High School 14325 Goldenwest Street Westminster, CA 92683
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**Tournament is being sanctioned by USA Judo**

Unfortunately, effective 2024, USA Judo changed their policy to only permit USA Judo members to participate in a USA Judo Sanctioned event.

It is Nanka's intent to support our traditional USJF Yudanshakai members by providing a \$15 reimbursement to any USJF competitor who joins USAJudo with **an Event Only membership** to enter this tournament.

This offer applies only to current USJF members who have declared Nanka as their Yudanshakai and will be joining USA Judo for the first time. This credit must be requested within the registration form on Smoothcomp.

**USAJudo has the following membership options.**

(For your information only, Nanka is not responsible for this information)

Full Judo Membership: \$100  
Youth Membership- first Year: \$60  
45 day- one time- Membership: \$40  
Event Only- one time- Membership: \$15

The Event Only Membership must be purchased online at: <https://usajudo.sport80.com/public/wizard/a/1218/home>

The \$15 reimbursement will be made to those qualified via Smoothcomp within 3 days after the conclusion of the Spring tournament.

To qualify for this reimbursement, proof of membership in both USAJudo and USJF must be uploaded during registration.



This document provides all the relevant information necessary to participate and attend this tournament. Email [events@nankajudo.com](mailto:events@nankajudo.com) for any additional information.

## **Tournament Overview**

It is Nanka's intention to provide a competitive event that is a fair, safe, and fun environment for our members. This document outlines the rules and guidelines to support this goal. This tournament is a Nanka Development Event.

**Nanka Development Tournaments:** Introduce judo tournaments with a goal of giving competitors the opportunity to gain an understanding of tournament rules and protocols in a competitive situation. Please note that the maximum number of individual registrations for this event has been set at **600**. **In all cases the Tournament Director has the final decision.**

## **Participation**

**All competitors must have a Valid USA Judo Membership. A copy of the membership card must be uploaded on Smoothcomp to complete registration.**

## **Registration Timeline:**

Registration and payment for this tournament is via Smoothcomp. Use the link below or go to the Nanka Judo Yudanshakai website and use the URL link or QR Code provided there. These links will take you directly to the Smoothcomp portal where you can create an account, sign in and register for this Nanka Tournament.

Registration Links: [www.nankajudo.com](http://www.nankajudo.com)  
<https://smoothcomp.com/en/event/14325>



The following dates are the timeline for this tournament:

- Early Bird Fee Registration Opens: February 1, 2024
- Normal Fee Registration: February 8, 2024
- Late Fee Registration: February 24, 2024, Midnight
- Registration Closes: Midnight, Wednesday, February 28, 2024
- Preliminary Brackets Published: Morning, Friday, March 1, 2024
- Final Brackets published: 8 pm Saturday, March 2, 2024

**ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE ABOVE INDICATED DATE. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE REGISTRATION CLOSE DATE (Midnight, Wednesday, February 28, 2024) WILL BE DENIED.**

All athletes must provide proof of valid and current membership in USA Judo to compete in this event. Please upload an image of your USA Judo membership card when prompted during the online registration process. Registrations without proof of membership will be denied.

For the purposes of this tournament the AGE of the competitor is their age on the day of the event.



## FEES

### Shiai Fees

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| • Early Bird Fee (before February 8)    | \$50.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Division, | \$35.00 for second division |
| • Normal Registration:                  | \$60.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Division, | \$40.00 for second division |
| • Late Registration (After February 24) | \$70.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Division, | \$50.00 for second division |

**Competitors may register for two Shiai divisions with the first division being the true age and rank.**

### Kata Fees

Kata fee (per person)

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| • Early Bird Fee (before February 8)    | \$25.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Kata, | \$17.50 for each additional Kata |
| • Normal Registration:                  | \$30.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Kata, | \$20.00 for each additional Kata |
| • Late Registration (After February 24) | \$35.00 1 <sup>st</sup> Kata, | \$25.00 for each additional Kata |

## Refund Policy

All refund requests/ withdrawal must be submitted in writing.

Cancellations during the Registration Period will receive a refund, minus a 5% credit card transaction fee.

No refunds will be given after registration closes unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Please email withdrawal and refund requests to [events@nankajudo.com](mailto:events@nankajudo.com)

Messages sent via phone, text or via social media platforms will not be accepted.

## Shiai Divisions

Nanka endeavors to ensure that all athletes participate in our tournaments do so in a fair and safe manner.

### In this Tournament:

- Competitors will declare age, belt color and weight (kg) when registering, determined by the day of the event.
- The Competitor's weight will be checked for accuracy mat side, before competing.
- **After registration closes on Wednesday, February 28, Midnight, Competitors will be grouped in brackets based on declared weight.**

## Youth Divisions Male/ Female



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### **Age Categories : 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12**

- Belt Categories: White/Yellow, Orange/ Green, Blue/ Purple
- 2 ½ minutes
- No Shime-waza (choking techniques)
- No Kansetsu-waza (arm lock techniques)

### **Age Division: 13-14,15-16**

- **Belt Categories: White/Yellow, Orange/ Green, Blue/ Purple/Brown/Black**
- **If a competitor is 12 years old choosing to fight up into the 13-14 Age Group, they are voluntarily competing in a division that allows shime-waza (choking techniques).**
- 3 minutes
- No Kansetsu-waza (arm lock techniques)

## **Adult Divisions Male/ Female**

### **17 years and older White/Yellow/Orange belts & Green/Blue/Purple belts**

- 3 minutes
- No Kansetsu-waza (arm lock techniques)

### **17 Years and older. Brown and Black Belt divisions**

- 4 minutes
- Full IJF rules

### **(Veterans) 35 years and older, White/Yellow/Orange belts, Green/Blue/Purple belts & Brown/ Black Belt divisions**

- 3 minutes
- Full IJF rules. Except for no Kansetsu-waza in Novice Division.

**Nanka Tournament Committee reserves the right to make any necessary changes in the best interest of the sport and the competitors. Divisions may be modified at the discretion of the tournament committee.**



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## **Uncontested Divisions**

A division is uncontested if it contains only a single competitor.

During the registration process the competitor will indicate their preference on how they wish to be moved if their division is uncontested.

The preference choices are:

- 1, Tournament Admin. Decides
2. Age: I would like to compete in an older age category
3. Belt: I would like to compete in a higher belt category.
4. Weight: I would like to compete against higher weights.
5. Withdraw: If my division is uncontested, I want to withdraw from the tournament.

## **Competitor No-shows**

An Athlete will be considered a No-Show if they fail to check in at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled first match. A Check in No-Show will be considered as a division withdrawal with no refund.

An Athlete will also be considered a No-Show, if they fail to appear for a match after two calls, each thirty-seconds apart. For those competing in more than one division the one-minute time limit shall also apply.

A match No-Show will be considered as a loss for the No-Show.

## **Method of Shiai Competition**

Brackets will be published on the Friday before the tournament. **Registrants have until Saturday, 3pm to contact Nanka Tournament Team ([events@nankajudo.com](mailto:events@nankajudo.com)) to request for a modification.**

- A Division with only two (2) competitors will be a “Best out of Three” division.
- Competition Method/ Format for all Brackets with three (3) or four (4) competitors, will be a Round Robin Pool.
- Competition Method/ Format for all Brackets with five (5) or more competitors will be the Modified Double Elimination with a single bronze medal System.
- No awards will be given for an Uncontested Division.



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## **Kata Divisions**

Kata participants are registered individually in Smoothcomp, but are required to be allocated to a team, consisting of two persons. The name of the team is up to the first person to register, we recommend that you use the first Initial and last names as the team's name. For Example, "JSmith&TJones".

Kata teams consist of two people.

**Teams can be single or mixed gender.**

### **Junior Kata Division (12 years and under)**

The following three Katas are to be contested (teams can be of single or mixed gender)

- Nage-No-Kata (First three sets, te-waza, koshi-waza and ashi-waza)
- Katame-No-Kata (osaekomi waza only)
- Ju-No Kata ( First two sets)

### **Youth Kata Division (13 years to 16)**

The following three Katas are to be contested (teams can be of single or mixed gender)

- Nage-No-Kata (All five sets)
- Katame-No-Kata (osaekomi waza and shime waza)
- Ju-No Kata (All three sets)

### **Adult Kata Divisions (17 years and older)**

The following three Katas are to be contested (teams can be of single or mixed gender)

- Nage-No-Kata (All five sets)
- Katame-No-Kata (All three sets)
- Ju-No Kata (All three sets)

## **Method of Kata Competition**

The Competition will use modified IJF Kata rules and scoring.

## **Awards**

Awards will be presented as divisions are completed.

Gold, silver, and bronze (one bronze) medals will be awarded for first, second and third places for all divisions with matches. Uncontested divisions will not be awarded.

## **Dojo Points**

Dojo points are awarded as follows; five (5) points for division first place, three (3) points for division second place, and one (1) point for division third place. Points will not be awarded for uncontested divisions. Awards of first, second and third place will be given to the three highest scoring dojos.



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## **Tournament Weigh-In**

- Athletes shall enter their actual weight **in kilograms** during the registration process. It is important that this entry be correct and accurate as it is used for determining the competitive division.
- Once registration is closed Athletes will not be permitted to change their weight.
- **Confirming weights are the responsibility of every Dojo/Club.**
- A person authorized by the Head Instructor may submit a list of competitors with their verified weights to [events@nankajudo.com](mailto:events@nankajudo.com) by the close of registration on **February 28, midnight**.
- **If an Athlete fails to have their weight verified by their Dojo/Club, their declared weight will stand as submitted during registration.**
- Weights will be verified on the day of the tournament mat side, prior to the competitors first match. **Any competitor who is more than 1kg over the bracket weight range will not be permitted to compete (with No refund). Nor will the athlete be permitted to move to a higher weight bracket.**
- Scales will be available for athletes to check their own weight up until their division is called to the mat.
- Athletes competing exclusively in kata divisions do not have to enter their weights at registration, nor weigh in.

## **Tournament Check-In**

### **Competitors must check in when your division is called.**

**Please report to your assigned mat at least 30 minutes prior to your first match.**

Athletes should be in the building and be dressed to compete at least 60 minutes before their match start time.

Match Time Schedule will be available to review on Smoothcomp once the Final brackets are published and throughout the tournament.

**It is every competitor's responsibility** to review their brackets and times throughout the day as they may change. Match times in Smoothcomp are dynamic and change as the tournament progresses. **Be aware that the time changes may be significant. Divisions will not be re-fought due to competitor no shows. Competitors will not be refunded if they miss their division.**

Use the QR Code to take you to the Smoothcomp Event.

## **Withdrawing**

Registrants who wish to withdraw from the tournament can do so directly from within their Smoothcomp account up until Brackets are Finalized (6 pm Saturday).

Withdraw request made up to Registration Closure date and time will be issued a full refund.

Withdrawing after Registration has closed but before the Bracket finalization date and time will be issued a 50% refund.

No refunds will be issued for withdrawals, no shows occurring after the Bracket Finalization date and time or failure to meet a division weight limit.



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## **Coaches**

Only coaches with a coach's wristband will be allowed at the mat side and in coaching seats; wristbands and official coach badge must always be visible. Wristbands are issued to specific individuals and may not be shared.

All coaches are required to register online via Smoothcomp to request a Coaches Wristband. Please use the following URL link <https://smoothcomp.com/en/event/xxxx>

The cut-off for Coach registration is 5pm on Saturday March 2, 2024 .

Only coaches certified by USJF, USA Judo or USJA or are allowed on the mat side for coaching.

- Proof of organization membership, valid Coach credential and Safesport Certificate must be uploaded during the registration process. Anybody not able to provide all three requirements will not be issued a coach wristband.
- Coaches are required to read, follow, and adhere to the [Nanka Coaches Code of Conduct](#).
- Wristbands will be issued by the Tournament Director to **registered and approved coaches**.

Coaches are expected to be attired appropriately. (No T-shirts, shorts, hats, sandals, or flip-flops), with **official coach badge and wristband**.

## **Coaches and Referee Meeting: 8:00 - 8:45 am**

Coaches are encouraged to attend the Referee/Coaches meeting to receive a review of rules, rule changes and rule clarifications. Questions about rules interpretation for situations from previous tournaments are appreciated.

## **Spectator Code of Conduct and Safety Perimeter Statement:**

The Nanka Spectator Code of Conduct will be displayed at the front entrance of the venue. By entering the premises spectators are indicating that they have read and will abide by the code of conduct.

Purposes of participant, spectator and official safety, the space adjacent to the mats can only be accessed by in progress competitors and their registered coach. All other competitors and spectators must remain in the bleachers.

## **Medical Guidelines for Judo Tournament Participants, Coaches, Referee's, and Support Staff**

Please note, for the interest of competitor safety and wellbeing, the tournament medical staff shall determine whether an athlete can continue to compete.

**Please No Smoking on School Grounds**





## Tournament Rules

This tournament is open to all contestants at least five (5) years of age on the day of competition and who are registered members in good standing with the USA Judo. All contestants must present a current and valid USA Judo membership registration card during registration.

All matches will be conducted using the current IJF Contest Rules with the following modifications:

1. The contest area shall be 3-5x5 meter mats (# 3-4-5) & 2-6x6 meter mats (#1 & 2) with 4-meter safety area between competition areas and 3-meter outside border. Mats #1 & 2 will be used for contestants ages 13+ and Mats 1-3 will be dedicated to ages 12 and under.
2. The CARE system may be in use, if not three referees will be on the mat.
3. Any competitor who suffers a concussion (as determined by the medical staff) and /or who loses consciousness from head impact will not be allowed to continue competing in the tournament that day in any division. If a competitor suffers such an injury, they are strongly advised to obtain a medical release from their personal physician before returning to train and compete in Judo.
4. Players who are choked out are NOT allowed to continue to compete in the tournament.
5. Modified Pre-2003 IJF medical rules. See below.

**All competitors MUST wear Judogi that comply with current IJF Judogi specifications regarding size.  
White judogi is mandatory. A blue Judogi is optional for blue side only.**

**Contestants must bring their own blue and white belts.**



# Nanka Code of Conduct for Spectators

## Applicability

This Code applies to spectators who enter the tournament venue, for local and regional nonpoint tournaments that are sanctioned by USJF or USJA (herein called local tournaments). It will be clearly displayed in view of all entrances to the tournament venue, as a large sign, poster, or banner.

## Code of Conduct

By entering this venue, I agree to conform to the following code of conduct. I understand that if I violate this code, that I may forfeit my right to attend this tournament as a spectator, and may be ejected from the venue, depending on the severity of the violation(s).

- I will treat referees, tournament officials, other coaches, players, parents and spectators with respect and courtesy (Minor Violation).
- I will not vocally criticize, berate, or argue with the referees, judges, jury Chief Referee, Tournament Directors, or other tournament officials (Minor Violation).
- I will not use foul or obscene language or gestures, ethnic or racial slurs under any circumstances within the tournament venue (Major Violation).
- I will not attempt to physically or verbally intimidate or assault any referee, tournament official, coach, player, parent, or spectator (Major Violation).
- I will abide by the final decision of the tournament director concerning violation(s) of this code and resulting disciplinary action(s) imposed at this tournament.

## **Disciplinary Action for Spectator Violations:**

### **Major Violations:**

- Ejection from the tournament venue. Depending on the severity of the violation, potential suspension from attending future tournaments, to a permanent ban from all local and regional tournaments, based on subsequent Nanka board hearing(s) and vote(s).

### **Minor Violations:**

- Verbal warning from the Tournament Director, Chief Referee, Referee, Judges, jury, or other tournament official. Repeated violations may result in ejection from the venue.

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## Modified Pre-2003 IJF medical rules (March 2023)

The Pre-2003 IJF Medical rules for purposes of this tournament have been modified to be relevant with the current rules of Judo. References to Hiki-wake (Drawing) have been eliminated.

### **Article 31 – Injury, Illness or Accident**

Should an injury to a contestant(s) be of a nature as serious as to require treatment away from the competition area or should an injury to a contestant(s) require more than two examinations by the accredited team doctor, (refer to Sporting Code definition of "accredited team doctor"), the referee after consultation with the judges, shall end the contest and indicate the result in accordance with the other provisions of this article.

If the accredited team doctor after an examination of an injured contestant(s), advises the referees that the contestant(s) cannot continue the contest, the referee after consultation with the judges, shall end the contest and indicate the result in accordance with the other provisions of this article.

Should the nature of an injury to a contestant(s) be such that it requires treatment by the accredited team doctor on the competition area, the referee after consultation with the judges, shall end the contest and indicate the result in accordance with the other provisions of this article.

If after an injury to one or both contestants, the referee and judges are of the opinion that the contest should not continue, the referee shall end the contest and indicate the result in accordance with the other provisions of this article.

The decision of kachi (win) or make (loss) where one contestant is unable to continue because of injury, illness or accident during the contest shall be given by the referee after consultation with the judges according to the following clauses:

#### a) Injury

- i. Where the cause of the injury is attributed to the injured contestant, he shall lose the contest.
- ii. Where the cause of the injury is attributed to the uninjured contestant, the uninjured contestant shall lose the contest.

#### b) Sickness

Generally, where one contestant is taken sick during a contest and is unable to continue, he shall lose the contest.

Generally, only one doctor for each contestant is allowed in the competition area. Should a doctor require assistance the referee must first be informed.

### **Injury treatment – exceptions**

The referee may allow the doctor to treat an injured contestant on the mat if the injury has been caused by the opponent.

Should a minor incident, (nosebleed, broken nail, pain of short duration, disarranged bandage, etc.), require medical treatment, it must be carried out as quickly as possible.

### **Article 32 – Situations not Covered by the Rules**

Where any situation arises which is not covered by these rules, it shall be dealt with, and a decision given by the referee after consultation with the judges.



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### WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, 2024 Nanka Spring Judo Tournament, and related events and activities (“Activity”) of the **USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., Nanka Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., Westminster High School, Huntington Beach Union High School District , Local Organizing Committee, Tournament Directors, Tournament Organizers** I agree:

1. I understand the nature of Judo activities and believe I am qualified to participate in such Activity. I also understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. I further acknowledge that prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions, and elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. I acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, illness or disease, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, illness, disease, permanent disability, or death.
5. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the **USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., Nanka Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., Westminster High School, Huntington Beach Union High School District , Local Organizing Committee, Tournament Directors, Tournament Organizers**, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, officers, agents, coaches, and other employees, or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, legal guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as “Releasees”, from any and all litigation expenses, attorney damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.
6. **MAAAP Policy:** The Center for SafeSport has developed the Minor Athlete Prevention Policies (MAAPP) which USA Judo has adapted to our own sport. The MAAPP is a collection of proactive and training policies comprised of two parts; Education & Training Policy that requires training for certain Adult Participants and the Required Prevention Policies, focused on limiting one-on-one interactions between Adult Participants and Minor Athletes to prevent abuse. The full MAAPP policy and the reporting mechanism for SafeSport infractions can be found at <https://www.usajudo.com/safe-sport>.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR IF I AM A UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW. I INTEND THIS TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THAT THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

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Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**FOR PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as a parent/legal guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child’s involvement or participation including litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs which may incur as the result of the minor child’s participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

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Parent/Legal Guardian

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Parent/Legal