

Steveston Shiai 2025: Kata Technical Package

Kata Competition Information

We will be supporting the following categories for the Katas:

- Nage no Kata (U23, Senior 3 Sets, Senior 5 Sets)
- Katame no Kata (U23, Senior)
- Ju no Kata (U23, Senior)
- Kodokan Goshin Jutsu
- Kime no Kata

Performance Times:

- Kata performances will be in the evening (with the exception of Kodomo no Kata, which will be in the morning), generally after the randori competitions.
- Exact times will be posted closer to the event.

FAQ:

- Both tori and uke must register in Trackie.
- White judogi is mandatory. Blue judogi is not allowed. Plain white t-shirts for female competitors only.
- Depending on the Kata, each performance takes between 6-8 minutes.
- Draw sheets will be provided on the day of the competition.
- Entrants must be at a minimum U14 (2012 & 2013, yellow belt) up to Senior.
- Rankings for each kata, along with summarized scores, will be provided after the kata medal presentations.
- Performers should be familiar with the judging criteria listed in the Resources section.

Resources:

- Kodokan Kata Textbooks, along with the Kata Competition judging criteria and guidelines, can be found at the Judo Canada website here: <https://judocanada.org/kata-judging/>.
- Kata Judges handbook: <https://judocanada.org/kata-judges-policy/>.

Kodomo no Kata Information

We are thrilled to announce the following categories for our Kodomo no Kata competition:

- Kodomo no Kata Set 7
- Kodomo no Kata Set 6
- Kodomo no Kata Set 5
- Kodomo no Kata Set 4
- Kodomo no Kata Set 3
- Kodomo no Kata Set 2
- Kodomo no Kata Set 1

FAQ:

- Both tori and uke must register in Trackie.
- White judogi is mandatory. Blue judogi is not allowed. Plain white t-shirts for female competitors only.
- These katas are low impact and easy to learn and perform. Set 7 is the easiest, while Set 1 is the most challenging.
- Each pair can be a mix of U10 (2016 & 2017, white belt), U12, U14, and U16 children. This allows for siblings of any age can compete together as a team.

Performance Times:

- The children's performances will be early morning, approximately 30 minutes before the Opening Ceremony.
- Exact times will be posted closer to the event.
- Most performances last between 2.5 and 3.5 minutes.

Resources:

- **Videos:** Please check out the YouTube Playlist found at <https://bit.ly/kodomo-no-kata> to see what the katas should look like. We also have a QR Code below!
- Read the press release from the IJF here: <https://www.ijf.org/news/show/new-version-kodomo->

QR Codes

Try the QR code below to view the YouTube playlist the BC Kata Committee has put together:



Kodomo no Kata Videos
<https://bit.ly/kodomo-no-kata>

Kata Judges/Evaluators

The Steveston Judo Club and Judo BC are inviting Certified Kata Evaluators from British Columbia and Canada to participate in the Kata Judging. We need evaluators for Kodomo no Kata as well, which do not need a certification.

Some things to note:

- **Meetings:** A Judges Meeting for the Kata Competition will happen after the regular Shiai competition ends. A judges meeting for the Kodomo no Kata will happen offline, prior to the competition, as we gather volunteers for this new event.
- **Scoring:** Judging will be scored using software that was introduced at the 2023 BC Open in Vernon, using Mobile Phones and Tablets, allowing tabulation of scores to happen instantaneously. Training for this software will occur during the Judges Meeting.

If you're interested in helping out for any of the katas, please reach out to kata@judobc.ca.