

2026 EDMONTON KATA



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Edmonton International Kata Championship | March 6, 2026

Judo Alberta Sanction #2026-06

Judo Canada Sanction - Level B

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Tournament Site – West Edmonton Mall Ice Palace (8882 – 170 Street NW, Edmonton, AB)

Kata Tournament Director – Gord Okamura gyokamura@gmail.com

Registrar – Helen Bienert

Chief Judge – Gerald Poirer

KATA REGISTRATION & FEES

<https://registration.judocanada.org/event/2026-EIKata>

Registration – (January 1, 2026 – February 28, 2026) - \$40/person/kata for 1st form; \$30/person/kata for each additional form.

Register before February 11, 2026 to receive a t-shirt.

Judo Alberta Tournament Surcharge and processing fees will be added at check out

Each kata partner is required to register and pay individually.

NO REFUNDS UNLESS:

*the event is cancelled. No substitutions

*you provide an up-to-date medical note from your physician indicating the type of injury & withdrawal from the tournament. No medical refunds after the late registration date.

KATA DIVISIONS & FORMS

Division		Senior (Born 2011 & earlier)	U21 (Born 2006- 2011)	U16 (Born 2011 - 2014)
Form	Nage no kata	5 set only	3 set only	3 set only
	Katame no kata	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Ju no kata	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Kodokan Goshin Jutsu	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Kime no kata	Yes	Yes	
	Itsutsu no kata	Black belts only		
Minimum	Tori	Brown	Green	Orange
Rank	Uke	Blue	Orange	Yellow

JUDGES - <https://registration.judocanada.org/event/2026-ElKataJudge>

Register by February 11, 2026 (23:59 MST) to receive a t-shirt. Registration deadline is February 28, 2026. All Kata Judges must be certified National or higher in the kata they are judging.

KATA CLINIC & COMPETITION

Kata Clinic - March 5 & 6, 2026

Nage no kata Judges' Certification Clinic

- Thursday, March 5 Thursday - 9 AM-4:30 PM
- Friday, March 6 - 9 AM-12 PM (includes test)

(Separate notice by the National Kata Committee)

[https://judocanada.org/events/national-nage-no-kata-certification-](https://judocanada.org/events/national-nage-no-kata-certification-ab/?https://registration.judocanada.org/register/national-nage-no-kata-certification-ab/1004282/)

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Kata Competition - March 6, 2026

Kata Judges' Meeting- 7:30 PM

Warm up - 7:30 PM

Competition order will be announced at 7:30 PM

Competition Starts- 8:00 PM

Dependent upon registrations, there may be two competition areas. A white strip of tape will be fixed at 6 meters at the center of the competition area.

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES & RULES

- The tournament will follow Judo Canada and 2025 IJF Kata Competition Criteria for Evaluation.
- Open to all members of Judo Provincial/Territorial Associations and IJF Associations.
- White judogi only.
- Couples may be made up of any gender. No separate divisions.
- A U21 may compete in Senior but not the reverse.
- Note: The 2025-2026 Sanctioning Policy now requires both Tori and Uke must meet the age division requirements for the division they are competing in.
- Multiple entries are welcome however an individual can only enter once in a kata in an age division.
- Females must wear a white, short sleeve t-shirt with a circular collar (no "V" necks).

INJURIES

In the case of a minor injury (ie. 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 medical personnel out of the competition area. The competition will continue, and the pair will repeat the entire Kata after the last pair is done. If a new minor injury happens to the same athlete during the second execution of Kata, the pair will be considered out of competition. If a minor injury happens after a forgotten technique or a major mistake, the pair will be considered out of competition.