

Team Selection Policy and Funding Criteria For National Championships

Purpose:

This Policy is used to develop a provincial team list for national championships. These criteria are in place because the Judo Alberta Coaching Committee wants to be sure that every member of Judo Alberta has the opportunity to participate on the provincial team, as long as they achieve the minimum requirements. The Coaching Committee wants to be sure that Judo Alberta allocated funding is being used for serious athletes at their respective age level, using the LTAD program for competitions.

Minimum requirements:

Yearly Match/Competition Totals:

For U18/U21 athletes to be eligible for the 2019 Open National Championships they need to have competed in a minimum of **20*** matches or compete in **5**** competitions during the selection time from June 29, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

For U16/Senior athletes to be eligible for the 2019 Open National Championships they need to have competed in a minimum of **20*** matches or compete in **4**** competitions during the selection time from June 29, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

*Matches from Canada Winter Games will be used in the accumulation of matches for eligible athletes

** The Canada Winter Games will be counted for the number of competitions counted in the season but there will be no point awarded in the point totals for funding.

Mandatory

U16/U18/U21 division	Participation in Provincial championships, 1 out of province tournament and 3 provincial/national training camp/Inter-provincial
Senior division	Participate in provincial championship and 1 out of province tournament (with minimum 1 win at Edmonton Intern or Out of province tournament against a different province) and 1 provincial training camp.

*Training camp means a full weekend camp (not a training session after a tournament) and athletes must participate all weekend to receive recognition for camp, including physical training and team meetings.

*National training camps do count for minimum requirements (athletes still must complete all sessions to receive points and minimum requirements)

Points System for Funding:

Points are counted over a one season period. Points are zeroed after the selection of the provincial team for the Nationals. (With exemption to receiving points from National championships the season prior).

Minimum Points to have funding for the 2019 National Championships: **30 points**

Point-able tournaments: (June 29, 2018 to March 31, 2019)

Provincial level*: Provincial Championships, Red Deer, and Rocky Mountain

Western province level: Edmonton International, Sask Open, and Pacific International

National level: Nationals: Elite 8 championships, Quebec Open and Ontario Open, Canada Cup (Prior year in same age division; half points for new age division),

International level: Any international competition that Judo Canada recognizes and participates in

- The Eligible Provincial Level competition dates will be published in September 2018

Points Tables:

	1 st place	2 nd place	3 rd place
Provincial level tournaments*	3 points	2 points	1 point

- If you are the only athlete in a weight division you receive 1 point
- If you are the only one in your weight division, but win an exhibition match set up by the tournament coordinators, you will receive 1st place points

* Included in this table Eastern Canadian Championships /USA Judo Competitions/Sportif International

	1 st place	2 nd place	3 rd place	5 th place
Western province level	4 pts	3 pts	2pts	1pt

- If you are the only athlete in the weight division, you receive 1 point
- Must win 1 fight to receive points if there are more than one person in the division
- If you are the only one in your weight division, but win an exhibition match set up by the tournament coordinators, you will receive 1st place points

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	5 th	7 th
National level	5pts	4pts	3pts	2pts	1pt

- If you are the only athlete in your weight division, you receive 1 point
- Must win 1 fight to receive points if there are more than one person in the division

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	5 th	7 th	Selected by Judo Canada
International level	6pts	5pts	4pts	3pts	2pts	1pt

- Must win 1 fight to receive points

Training Camp Points:

Team training sessions after tournaments, Regional Trainings (1 point per session)	1pt
Provincial training camps (2 points per camp)	2pts

Judo Alberta Provincial camp: Summer Camp, Fall Inter-provincial & Winter Camp	3pts
National training Camps & International Camps	3pts
Participation in 4 Judo Alberta Camps bonus points	4pts

- To receive points for Training camps athletes must participate in all sessions including physical training
- If injured at camp athlete may receive points while sitting on the sidelines or doing extra training on side with a prov. Coach

Selection procedure (I):

Judo Clubs must apply for their athletes to the Coaching Committee by March 1st so the coaching staff knows who is interested. All athletes must meet the minimum requirements by March 31, 2019 to be selected for the provincial team.

Exemptions: (Athletes training at National training center in Montreal)

Any athlete training at the NTC under the national coaches will automatically awarded **15 points** for funding, since they will be unable to participate in local tournaments and training camps (**subject to NTC coach report prior to the National Championships**). **Athletes training below 80% attendance of NTC evening training will not receive Judo Alberta funding.** These athletes must also keep in contact with either, their club coach, who reports to the provincial coaching staff, or the provincial coaching staff directly about participation in tournaments locally for them. They must also apply for the provincial team directly to the coaching staff with their training plan, tournament results, and training camps for the year.

The provincial coaching staff will also check in with the NTC coaches to confirm athletes training plans prior to funding.

Exemptions (Athletes training out of province other than NTC)

The athletes that are not training in Alberta due to school, work, etc... must apply to the coaching staff directly for provincial team selection with their training plan, tournament results, and training camps participated in. Funding will be determined on an individual basis, depending on where and how involved the athlete has been in judo while out of the province.

Exemptions: (Injury/ Sickness)

- If an athlete cannot participate in the Provincial Championships due to sickness or injury, the Provincial Coaching staff must receive a doctor's note within 7 days of the competition explaining why.
- Athletes that do not comply will not meet minimum requirements and will not be selected for the provincial team.

Exemptions: (Work for senior athletes)

- If a senior athlete cannot participate in Provincial training camp due to work demands the Prov. Coaching staff will need a written explanation 1 week prior to competition and athlete should make other arrangements to participate in other competition to make up for missing minimum requirements.

Exemptions (Extenuating circumstances)

- If an athlete has to miss provincial championships for any other reason this athlete must write a letter to the prov. Coaching staff 1 week prior to tournament explaining why. The provincial coaching staff will then review and make a decision based on individual circumstance.

Exemptions: (Out of Province/ NTC athletes)

- Are exempt from the Provincial championship qualification as long as they are participating in competitions outside of the province. This is based on individual athletes and the athletes must be in direct contact with provincial coaching staff during their time out of province.

Exemptions: (Athletes asked to participate at an International competition)

- Athletes that have been chosen by Judo Canada to participate in an international event the same weekend or the weekend after provincials can be exempt due to higher tournament level.

*No points will be given to any athletes that are exempt from Provincial Championships. These athletes must participate in additional events, in order to receive funding.

Funding:**U16/U18/U21/Senior:**

To receive funding these athletes must have a minimum of 30 points from the year leading up to nationals. If an athlete has less than 30 points there is no funding but they can participate at nationals as a self-funded athletes if they have met the eligibility standards. The funding will be allocated for the athletes with minimum 30pts and up as follows:

- a) The top 35% ranked athletes will receive 50% of the budgeted money for the event.
 - b) The middle 35% ranked athletes will receive 35% of the budgeted money for the event
 - c) The bottom 30% ranked athletes will receive 15% of the budgeted money for the event.
- If a funded athlete fails to make weight, the athlete will be invoiced for the Judo Alberta funded amount plus any Judo Canada fines.
 - There will be additional funding to help athletes from NTC Montreal attend nationals
 - Funded money will not exceed actual costs.

Selection Procedure (II):

1. A Provincial Team will be selected based on the minimum requirements and funding will be based on the points earned during the year by the Coaches Committee and presented to the Executive for ratification.
2. The approved teams will then be announced to the clubs.

Appeal Procedure

Conflicts with the Provincial Team list or selection to tournaments can be dealt with by the Appeal Procedure. Once an appeal is submitted, an appeal committee will be formed by the President of Judo Alberta. The Appeal Committee will then schedule the Appeal meeting.

1. An appeal must be a written submission to the Judo Alberta office from the chief instructor of the athlete's club.
2. The appeal submission must be received within 7 days of the decision that is being appealed with a nonrefundable deposit for the appeal of \$125.00.
3. The Appeal Committee will consist of three neutral representatives of Judo Alberta who have not been part of the Selection process. They will be chosen by the president of Judo Alberta.

4. The athlete, the personal coach, and a representative of the Executive and Coaches committee may attend the Appeal meeting.
5. The decision of the appeal committee is final and binding.
6. The Appeal Committee must give the Coaching Committee reasons in writing for their decision.