



**EUROPEAN
JUDO
UNION**

EVENT OUTLINES

Riga Veterans European Cup 2024
February 24th – 25th 2024



1. ORGANISER

Latvian Judo Federation

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2. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Before Travelling

Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of arrival.

- Check host country entry requirements and airline requirements (if applicable).
- Check if you need a visa, and if yes, request it from the LOC according to the details in the

ENTERING THE HOST COUNTRY section.

- Send travel information (arrival and departures) to the LOC if book an official hotel.
- Book accommodation either on your own or by the organiser.
- Upload medical certificate to my.ijf.org well in advance

Entering host country

Each individual is responsible to ensure they follow the entry rules (passport validity, visas, entry permission letter, etc.) for the host country. Entry rules may be subject to change, current rules can be found under the link: <https://www.mfa.gov.lv/en/entry-latvia>

Insurance

It is the responsibility of each participant to ensure that in addition to their normal insurance they have sufficient insurance in place to cover any pandemic related costs, including repatriation. The LOC of the event and the EJU accept no liability for any claims relating to cancellation of the event due to any pandemic or medical costs for any illness that may affect them during the event.

3. COMPETITION PLACE

Riga Sports Arena

Address: Kojusalas street 9, Riga; <https://www.ssarkadija.lv>

4. AGE

Athletes will be allocated to the age division based on:

- Meeting the entrance criteria of a minimum of 30 years of age within the year of the event and,
- Their date of birth in line with the following age ranges:

		Age division		Female	Male
Age from	Age to	YOB from	YOB to	Category	Category
30	34	1994	1990	F1	M1
35	39	1989	1985	F2	M2
40	44	1984	1980	F3	M3
45	49	1979	1975	F4	M4
50	54	1974	1970	F5	M5
55	59	1969	1965	F6	M6
60	64	1964	1960	F7	M7 (no shime-waza)
65	69	1959	1955	F8	M8 (no shime-waza)
70+	70+	1954		F9	M9 (no shime-waza)



5. PARTICIPATION

This Veteran European Cup is open for **all EJU/IJF Member Federations**.

To participate in the event each participant is responsible to follow:

- The rules to enter the host country and the local government health measures.

Any participant is eligible to inscribe in the competition provided he/she is:

- Not under a disciplinary suspension.
- Not under suspension for anti-doping rule violation.
- Not carrying any communicable diseases that may risk other delegates' health.

In addition to the above athletes must:

- Not be under medical suspension.
- Be healthy and fit for competition.
- Hold a current and valid licence (membership) issued by a national federation currently affiliated to the IJF.
- Pay the appropriate entry fees in full before the deadline set in the event outlines.
- Check in at accreditation (see schedule of accreditation in the event outlines).
- Meet the weigh-in requirements.
- Provide photographic proof of their identity and date of birth using a valid current passport or a current national identity card.
- All athletes must have obtained the minimum grade of first kyu.
- Have sufficient technical knowledge (know the terminology and can execute all the techniques in the IJF SOR Appendix H) and understand fully the IJF sport and refereeing rules.

IJF nationality rules (IJF SOR, section 1.7) must be respected and athletes must be of the same nationality as the national federation for which they have been entered for the competition. The evidence of nationality shall be the production of a valid passport issued by the represented country.

During the registration, athletes must present their medical certificate to compete, issued by an authorised body of the country they represent.

Certificates must be issued in or translated to English.

The minimum age for participation in the European Judo Cup Veterans is to be 30 years or over in the year of the event. This defines the age at which players first become eligible to compete. Once a player has become eligible, they will be allocated into their appropriate five-year age category i.e. M1/F1 will consist of competitors who have their 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd or 34th birthday and the M2/F2 will consist of players who have their 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th or 39th birthday at any date during the year of the European Cup.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATES

To compete, athletes must have a medical certificate, showing that they are fit and healthy to take part in the competition, issued by an authorised body of the country they represent. It must be valid for the day(s) of participation in the competition and not older than one (1) year.

Certificates must be issued in or translated to English, bilingual documents are also accepted.

The medical certificate must be uploaded to my.ijf.org by the athlete's national judo federation.

Athletes may be asked to present the hard copy of their certificate upon request.

For information about the medical certificate contact headoffice@eju.net.

6. CATEGORIES & DURATION

Women: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg, -63 kg, -70 kg, -78 kg, +78 kg

Men: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73 kg, -81 kg, -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg

M1/F1 to/including 3 minutes and Golden Score without a limit.

M6/F6:

M7/F7 and over: 2,5 minutes and Golden Score of max. 1 minute. *If a tie exists at the end of the one (1) minute golden score time, the referee, in consultation with the table jury will determine the winner without calling hantei.



7. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is 80 Euro per competitor.

This fee will be collected in cash on spot during accreditation by the organiser or can be paid by bank transfer.

8. DEADLINES

Visa form:

Monday, 05th February 2024

Hotel Reservation:

Monday, 05th January 2024

Hotel payment:

Monday, 12th February 2024

JUDOBASE Registration:

Friday, 09th February 2024

Travel details:

Monday, 12th February 2024

9. PROGRAM

Attention: The schedule may be modified according to total number of entries and circumstances of competition. * The start time will be confirmed once the final number of athletes is known

Friday, February 23 rd 2024		
10:00 – 17:00	Accreditation M4 – M9	Riga Sports Arena
18:00 – 18:30	Unofficial weigh-in M4-M9	Riga Sports Arena
18:30 – 19:30	Official weigh-in M4 – M9	Riga Sports Arena
20:00	Technical Draw M4 – M9	Online
Saturday, February 24 th 2024 M4 – M9		
10:00 – 17:00	Accreditation M1, M2, M3; F1 – F9	Riga Sports Arena
TBC	Referee Meeting	Riga Sports Arena
TBC*	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals	Riga Sports Arena
After	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals	Riga Sports Arena
18:00 – 18:30	Unofficial weigh-in M1, M2, M3; F1 – F9	Riga Sports Arena
18:30 – 19:30	Official weigh-in M1, M2, M3 F1 – F9	Riga Sports Arena
20:00	Technical Draw M1, M2, M3; F1 – F9	Online
Sunday, February 25 th 2024 M1, M2, M3. F1 – F9		
TBC*	Eliminations/Repechage/Semi finals	Riga Sports Arena
After	Final Block: Bronze Medal Contests, Finals	Riga Sports Arena

10. EVENT REGISTRATION

Entries will be accepted from a national federation and a national club or individual athlete (with the permission of the national federation). There is no limit to the number of athletes from the same country that can be inscribed in a category. All entry fee's are non-refundable.

All participating delegates must have a valid IJF card. Athletes must have an IJF veteran/kata or IJF international card.

Inscription must be done in judobase by the 09th February 2024, 23:59 CET. For assistance, please contact registration@ijf.org before the end of the deadline.

11. ACCREDITATION & CONTROL OF NATIONALITY

The times and place for check-in and accreditation are specified in the programme. Participants must arrive and check-in within the time limits provided. For each competitor, passport or national



ID card (indicating nationality and date of birth) or a copy of one of these documents must be presented to the EJU official. Name and category, as registered in JUDOBASE, must be confirmed with the EJU official. No inscription will be accepted after the end of the accreditation (see programme).

For participants, booked with the organiser, the organiser checks that all payments for hotel accommodation have been settled. Any pending invoices with the organiser should be settled here. The delegations' departure date, time, number of people and travel details are also confirmed at this stage. A contact name and number for each delegation should be given.

Accreditation cards are handed over after finishing the whole accreditation process. The EJU accreditation cards must be presented at the official weigh-in and before each contest

12. COMPETITION MODE

The type of competitions system to be applied in the competition will depend on the number of entries as follows:

Competition systems according to number of participants:

- 6 and more entries: double repechage
- 3, 4, 5 entries: round robin
- 2 entries: best of 2 contests, if 1-1 the third contest will decide.

In case the number of participants in a category is not sufficient, (age and/or weight) categories will be combined according to IJF SOR. All the contests in any one age division will be held on the same day.

13. DRAW

The technical draw for the individual weight categories will take place at 19.00 hours on the day before the competition.

Information on the exact location of the individual weight category draws will be displayed on the event official notice board. There is no seeding for this event.

A complete list of athletes who have successfully fulfilled the weight requirements will be displayed outside the room where the official draw will take place a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the draw starting.

Participants must check this list to ensure that all they are on the list in the correct age division and weight category. The EJU takes no responsibility for someone who is not included in the draw because they were missing from the list, and no one from the delegation checked.

14. WEIGH-IN

The official weigh-in takes place the day before the competition for the age division concerned. The official scales are available the whole day for unofficial weight control.

Exact times and place for weigh-in can be found in the programme. The weight of the competitors must fall within the category in which they are enrolled. The competitors

- presenting themselves after the closing of the weigh-in, cannot participate at the competition.
- can present themselves only one time on the scales during the official weigh-in.
- must present their EJU Accreditation and Passport (or national ID card indicating nationality and date of birth) at the official weigh-in.
- There is no random weigh-in for veterans.

16. REFEREEING

Each federation may enter 2 referees. The organizing federation may enter as many referees as required for the realization of the tournament but giving priority to their own Continental/International referees first and then their national referees with the highest national license with at least 2 years of experience.

If enough Continental/International referees are inscribed in Judobase, the organizing federation has to limit its number of national referees to 1 per mat.

JUDOBASE registration deadline for referees: Friday, 09th February 2024

The bow:

- The contestants must not shake hands BEFORE the start of the contest.



- When the athletes are leaving the mat they must wear judogi in proper way and are not allowed to take out any part of the judogi or the belt before leaving the field of play.

17. COACHING

Code of behaviour of coaches as defined in the IJF Sports and Organization Rules, Annex 4 will be strictly observed. Any coach not adhering to these rules could be subject to disciplinary action. One coach is allowed within the competition area.

A registered athlete can use their athlete accreditation to coach. An additional coach accreditation is not required. Any athlete that chooses also to coach their colleagues and then doesn't follow Coaches' Code of Conduct risk being removed from the competition (i.e., no longer allowed to compete if applicable).

Dress code during preliminaries and Final Block: track suit or suit & tie.

- Coaches are not allowed to give indications to the competitors while they are fighting.
- Only during the pause time (after matte), will coaches be permitted to give indications to their athletes.
- After the pause is finished, and the fight continues (hajime), coaches must keep silent.
- a coach doesn't follow these rules, she/he can be expelled from the competition area.
- If coaches persist with such behaviour the EJU Accreditation will be taken away for the day. If the coach persists with this behaviour from outside the competition area, she/he could be penalised further tie

18. TRANSPORT

AIRPORT: Riga International airport

The organizer will take care of the transportation from the above-mentioned airport to the official competition hotels, competition venue and other competition facilities during the competition for those participants who booked the official hotel via organiser.

19. ACCOMMODATION

The participants may book accommodation and catering of their choice (no obligation to book official hotels!).

The official hotel offered by organiser is:

Ibis Riga Centre

Address: Marijas iela 5, Riga; <http://ibisrigacentre.lv>

check-in time: 15:00; check-out time: 12:00

Distance to the airport: 8 km; distance to the sports hall: 5,1 km

Prices per person/per night	B&B	Lunch in the venue
Single room	75 €	20 €
Double room	50 €	

If you book the hotel offered by the organiser, please, contact: Ms. Jūlija Ļeščinska; +37128353012; info@judo.org.lv

Hotel reservation deadline: Monday, 05th February 2024

Hotel payment deadline: Monday, 12th February 2024.

Deadlines and cancellation policy:

Cancellations 30 days before arrival: full refund.

Cancellations 29-15 days before arrival: 50% refund

Cancellations less than 15 days before arrival: no refund. 100% of the hotel costs must be paid.



In case of tournament cancellation by the local authorities full payment will be refunded.

Important: Injuries, visa problems or sickness are not valid reasons for cancellation of rooms.

In case of any damage to hotel property or competition venue caused by members of a delegation, their national federation will be charged by the organizing committee.

20. PAYMENT

Kindly complete the payment for accommodation to the following account:

Bank Address	Balasta dambis 15, Riga, LV – 1048, Latvia
Bank Name	AS SWEDBANK
Name of account holder:	Latvian Judo federation
IBAN:	LV56HABA0551047438605
SWIFT:	HABALV22
Payment reference	Veteran Cup_ Name or Federation

After the reservation a document with a number reference will be send to the National Federation, please use this number as reference of payment and for the accreditation.

All bank fees and money transfer costs must be paid by the sender federation. The person attending accreditation must bring proof of the bank transfer.

Please, be careful with the fraudulent emails. Always check the bank details from the outlines.

21. JUDOGI CONTROL

- Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white and blue) from one of the following oficial suppliers found here: www.ijf.org/supplier-list
- For further information on the judogi rules please refer to the IJF SOR.
- The judogi control will be done before each contest.

22. OFFICIAL BACKNUMBER

Each competitor is obliged to have sewn on the back of his judogi a backnumber bearing their last (family) name and National Olympic Committee abbreviation. The last (family) name (and any part of their given (first) name) on the back number must have the same letters as that registered in judobase as this database provides the accreditation cards, athlete name on TV graphics and scoreboard etc. The top of the backnumber must be fixed horizontally and centrally three (3) cm from the bottom of the collar.

The backnumber can only be ordered from www.officialbacknumber.com or www.mybacknumber.com.

The backnumber should comply with the current IJF judogi regulations which can be found in the IJF SOR.

23. GENERAL INFORMATION

The competitors will compete under the full responsibility of their federations. **Insurance:** Each national federation is responsible for insuring its competitors against "injury and third part risk (public liability)" during the period of the event. The European Judo Union and the organiser decline all responsibility.



Consent for Photography/Videos/Filming

Delegates inscribed by their National Federations for EJU events consent to the EJU and its media partners to use content of them, including data, live results, photographs and/or video recordings (hereafter referred to as Media). This media may be obtained from National Federations and EJU. It will also be acquired by the EJU and its media partners from in and around all EJU event venues. Media could be used in print and digital media formats including print publications, websites, e-marketing, posters banners, advertising, film, broadcast, social media, education purposes and other purposes. The National Federation must ensure that they have the permission of each delegate or in the case of a minor the permission of the parent/guardian. If a delegate does not give consent, then the National Federation must inform the European Judo Union by writing to headoffice@eju.net.

24. MEDIA

Journalists can apply for Media accreditation online using the following link:
<https://www.eju.net/media/>.

25. VISA

For nations who need VISA to enter Latvia, please send the enclosed "Visa Application Form" fully filled not later than Monday, 05th February 2024 and submit to Ms. Kristīne Čekstere; info@judo.org.lv. The LOC will assist with visas where possible but having the correct visa is the responsibility of each participant. Visa applications will only be accepted for people who are inscribed in judobase for the event.

26. AWARDS

Each athlete who has won a medal must be present at the ceremony to receive their medal personally. Any who is absent from the awarding ceremony without a good reason may forfeit the medal. Athletes must attend the medal ceremony barefoot, without any hat, cap or any similar head covering and wearing their IJF approved white judogi that conforms to the IJF judogi rules with special attention being paid athlete to the publicity rule. If it is not clean, then they must wear a reserve judogi. It is strictly prohibited for athletes on the podium to have national flags or similar items other than those on their judogi. Any demonstration with religious, political, personal or commercial connotation is prohibited.

Medals will only be awarded to athletes who fought in the category. The number of athletes competing determines the eventual medal allocation.

The medal distribution rule is as follows:

- One athlete - no medal will be awarded (the athlete will receive a participation medal from EJU. There will be no flag, national anthem during this awarding ceremony)
- Two athletes – two medals awarded only if the second placed athlete has won at least one contest. In the case of no contest won there will only be one medal awarded.
- Three athletes – three medals will be awarded only if the third-place athlete has won at least one contest. In the case of no contest won there will only be two medals awarded
- Four athletes – three medals awarded
- Five athletes – three medals awarded
- Six or more athletes – four medals awarded

If a category has been combined the only medals awarded will be the one set of medals for the athletes in that combined category.

Awards for the recognition of exemplary behaviour that promotes the spirit of judo and/or fair play may be awarded at the discretion of the EJU Veterans Commission