

Rules for Masters Divisions 2015 Australian Masters Games

The Australian Kodokan Judo Association (AKJA) supports and encourages the involvement of participants in "Masters Age" divisions for contest in both Shiai (full contact judo competition) and Kata (demonstration of forms) tournaments.

Whilst the AKJA Contest rules are utilised at all AKJA and affiliate member governed Shiai tournaments, some rule modifications have been made by the AKJA to be adapted and utilised at tournaments with Masters Age divisions, including the 2015 Australian Masters Games. They are identified in the following sections.

- Certificate of Fitness may be required prior to competition commencement.
- Warning, Waiver & Release will be required to be signed by all participants.

1. Age Divisions & Contest Times:

- Natural birth dates apply as at the day of the contest.
- Because the Masters Divisions are age specific, proof of age is required.
- Photographic identification should be produced at the time of tournament registration or weigh in. Persons unable to provide photographic identification will need to provide two (2) other forms of suitable identification.

AGE DIVISIONS

CONTEST TIMES

30 – 39yrs 40 – 49yrs 50 & Over 3 Minutes – Stop/Start 3 Minutes continuous 2.5 Minutes continuous

Where possible and depending on player numbers, age divisions will be divided into 5 year groupings.

Where contests are governed by *continuous* time, the time clock will run continuously unless directed by the centre referee for it to be stopped. Circumstances may exist where it is necessary to stop the clock and the call to do so is at the discretion of the centre referee and should occur in cases where a long delay may be expected eg; re-tying of the belt or injury/medical treatment.

2. Weight Divisions:

Normal IJF weight groups will be utilised in the age groups up to and including U40 years. In age groups 40 years and over, there will be a maximum of four (4) set weight groups. Application of all Masters Weight groups will be dependent on participant numbers.

Age groups of:	30 – 34yrs
	35 – 39yrs

MALE
U66kg
66-U73kg
73-U81kg
81-U90kg
90-U100kg

100kg & Over

FEMALE U52kg 52-U57kg 57-U63kg 63-U70kg 70-U78kg 78kg & Over

Age groups of:	40 – 44yrs 45 – 49yrs 50 – 54yrs 55 - 59yrs 60yrs & Over

MALE U73kg U81kg U90kg Over 90kg FEMALE U57kg U63kg U70kg Over 70kg

3. Injuries:

Should an injury occur, AKJA contest rules will be followed. However some common-sense modifications have been included and are as follows:

The Medical/First Aid Officer may recommend to the Referee Commission that a competitor be excluded from further tournament participation if they have received or are suffering from concussion or injury deemed by that Medical Officer to be detrimental to the competitor's health. The Referees Commission will deliberate on the findings of the Medical/First Aid Officer and make an informed decision on whether the player is fit to continue or not. The decision of the Referees Commission in consultation with the Medical/First Aid officer shall be final.

Where any player is rendered unconscious, they will not be allowed to continue in the tournament unless given a written clearance by a medical officer (Legally Qualified Medical Practitioner). All players rendered unconscious should be conveyed to a hospital or medical centre ASAP after the incident. *Eg: Player blacks out as a result of a choke/strangle technique.*

The advice of the Medical Officer shall be accepted by the Referee's Commission and the player excluded from further participation until declared fit to resume competition by a Legally Qualified Medical Practitioner.

4. Judo Gi's:

To limit the cost incurred by players only white Judo Gi's will be worn at the tournament. Red and White belts/sashes will be provided for use.

RULES utilised for this tournament will be the AKJA 2015-2016 Contest Rules.

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