

REFEREE'S CLINIC: Friday Night at **Ramada Inn Hotel**
6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. **CANDIDATES MUST ATTEND**
Saturday at **Hinkston Park Field House**
9:00 a.m. – 1:30 a.m.

REGISTRATION & WEIGH IN: **Hinkston Park Field House (Venue)**
Late Registration & Weigh in **Friday Evening: 6:30 to 10:00 pm**
Weigh in: **Saturday Morning: 8:00 to 10:00 Seniors Only**
10:00 to 12:00 Juniors Only

There will be no late registration on Saturday March 3.

COMPETITION STARTS: **Saturday: 2:00 pm Senior Novice & Masters**
4:30 pm Senior Elite Divisions
Finals: 7:00 pm Senior Elite Divisions
Sunday: Junior Divisions
9:00am until finished

ENTREE FEE (per player): **\$55.00** Pre Registration postmarked on or before February 24
\$80.00 Postmarked after February 24 and at late registration

SEND REGISTRATION TO: **Cohen's Judo Club**
1011 Campus Drive
Mundelein, Illinois 60060

Please Make All Checks or Money Orders Payable to Midwestern Judo Championships.

AWARDS: **1st, 2nd and 3rd place Trophies**

ELIGIBILITY: **USJI, USJA, USJF Card Holders, and any member of an NGB in any country, which are members of (The International Judo Federation) and have proof of insurance. Competitors must present their Judo Documentation. Proof of age is required.**

RULES: **IJF Modified Contest Rules**
No choking under 13 yrs, No Kansetsu-waza in junior divisions, No Kansetsu-waza in novice divisions

SCORING SYSTEM: **True Double Elimination**

MATCH TIME: **Jr. Sr. Novice and Masters 3 minutes**
Sr. Elite Men & Women 5 minutes

Senior E and Junior D level event:

Elite Point procedures:

This event is a USA Judo Senior-E and Junior-D level event. The **ONLY** divisions in which points can be earned are the highest SENIOR belt rank divisions. No points are awarded in JUNIOR-AGE divisions; ALL players who place 1st or 2nd will receive Senior E-level points. Junior-age athletes (born 1988 and later) who place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in the highest SENIOR belt divisions will receive Junior, D-level points in addition to Senior points.

Restrictions: Players must win at least 1 match and be a citizen of the USA in order to receive points. In addition, after earning points, in order to be listed on USA Judo's national roster, a player must join USA Judo (if not already a member).

Seeding:

For the Senior E-level categories, the top 4 nationally ranked senior athletes will be seeded if they compete in the weight division in which they are ranked. #1 and #4 shall be placed on one side of the bracket; #2 and #3 shall be placed on the other side. The seeding order shall be in the order of the byes, i.e., if there is 1 bye, #1 shall get it; if there are 2 byes, #'s 1 and 2 shall get them, etc. If any of the top 4 nationally ranked athletes are not in attendance, athletes ranked #5 and below SHALL NOT be seeded, i.e., "moved up" to the next higher seed position.

Rules for senior E-/Junior D-level divisions:

1. IJF contest rules shall be used, including "Golden Score" overtime.
2. Players may compete in only 1 division.
3. Players must compete in the weight category that conforms to their measured weight at weigh-in. Example: A player competing in the 81 kg division must weigh over 73 kg and less than or equal to 81 kg. **EXCEPTION:** The Male 55 kg and Female 44 kg divisions are Pan American Judo Union (PJU) weights and not "Olympic" weights. Competitors whose measured weight would place them in a PJU weight division may choose to compete in the next higher weight division (Male 60 kg and Female 48 kg).

Junior Age Weight Divisions

<i>DIVISION</i>	<i>AGE</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>
Jr. Boys	6 & under	- 42 lb.	-51 lb.	- 62 lb.	+ 62 lb.	
Jr. Boys	7 & 8	-55 lb.	- 68 lb.	-77 lb.	+77 lb.	
Jr. Boys	9 & 10	-66 lb.	- 75 lb.	-84 lb.	- 95 lb.	+ 95 lb.
Jr. Boys	11 & 12	- 75 lb.	- 90 lb.	-105 lb.	-120 lb.	+120 lb.
Teen Boys	13 & 14	- 94 lb.	-110 lb.	-128 lb.	-150 lb.	+150 lb.
Teen Boys	15 & 16	-121 lb.	-143 lb.	-156 lb.	-176 lb.	+176 lb.
Jr. Girls	6 & under	- 51 lb.	- 62 lb.	- 77 lb.	+ 77 lb.	
Jr. Girls	7 & 8	- 60 lb.	-68 lb.	-77 lb.	- 84 lb.	+ 84 lb.
Jr. Girls	9 & 10	- 66 lb.	- 75 lb.	- 84 lb.	- 95 lb.	+95 lb.
Jr. Girls	11, 12 & 13	- 75 lb.	- 84 lb.	- 97 lb.	- 108 lb.	+ 108 lb.
Teen Girls	14, 15 & 16	- 99 lb.	- 110 lb.	- 121 lb.	- 132 lb.	+ 132 lb.

Senior Weight Divisions MEN

Sr. Novice	60kg	66kg	73kg	81kg	90kg	100kg	+100kg	
Brown & Black	55kg	60kg	66kg	73kg	81kg	90kg	100kg	+100kg

WOMEN

Sr. Novice	44kg	48kg	52kg	57kg	63kg	70kg	78kg	+78kg
Brown & Black	44kg	48kg	52kg	57kg	63kg	70kg	78kg	+78kg

MASTERS DIVISIONS 30 - 39
40 & up

LIGHT, MIDDLE and HEAVY

THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE ANY CHANGES NECESSARY IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CONTESTANT, OR TO REJECT ANY FORMS THAT CONTAIN ANY FALSE INFORMATION AND ARE NOT PROPERLY AND FULLY COMPLETED.

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Sex	Age	Weight	Div. Jr. ____ Sr. ____ Sr. Novice ____ Masters ____	Status of Application	Fee Rec'd
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**Official Entry Form
Midwestern Championships
Hinkston Park Field House**

PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND COPY OF USJI, USJF OR USJA MEMBERSHIP CARD. IF BIRTH DATE IS VALIDATED ON USJI CARD, A COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE IS NOT REQUIRED.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

PHONE: _____ **BIRTH DATE:** _____

CLUB: _____ **RANK:** _____

AGE: _____ **SEX:** _____ **USJI, USJF, USJA (circle one) #** _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Please circle Jr. Sr. Novice Masters

Certificate Regarding Non-Black Belt Contestants

I, _____ a Judo instructor, who has been awarded the Judo rank
(Print name of Instructor)

Of Shodan or higher by, (Name of Organization) _____, hereby certify
that, _____ although not having been awarded the Judo
(Print name of Contestant)

Rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in Judo to compete in these
Championships.

Judo Instructor (print) _____ Date _____

Signature of Instructor _____ Rank _____

WARNING!
WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the 2007 Midwestern Judo Championships and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc. (USA Judo), USJA, USJF, Hingston Park Field House, Waukegan Park District, or Cohen's Judo Club.

1. I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due to not only my own actions, inactions, or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo, Inc. (USA Judo), the United States Olympic Committee, United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, Illinois Judo, Inc., together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used to conduct the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "releasee", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death and damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISK AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant's Printed Name	Participant's Signature	Date

**FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date

Directions

From Southeast

Take the TOLL ROAD / I-90 exit. Merge onto I-90 EXPRESS W / I-94 EXPRESS W / DAN RYAN EXP W via the exit on the LEFT. I-90 EXPRESS W / I-94 EXPRESS W / DAN RYAN EXP W becomes I-94 W. Keep LEFT to take US-41 N via EXIT 29 toward WAUKEGAN. Take the GRAND AVE / IL-132 exit on the LEFT. Turn RIGHT onto GRAND AVE / IL-132. Turn LEFT onto BALDWIN AVE. End at **800 Baldwin Ave** Waukegan, IL 60085, US.

From Southwest

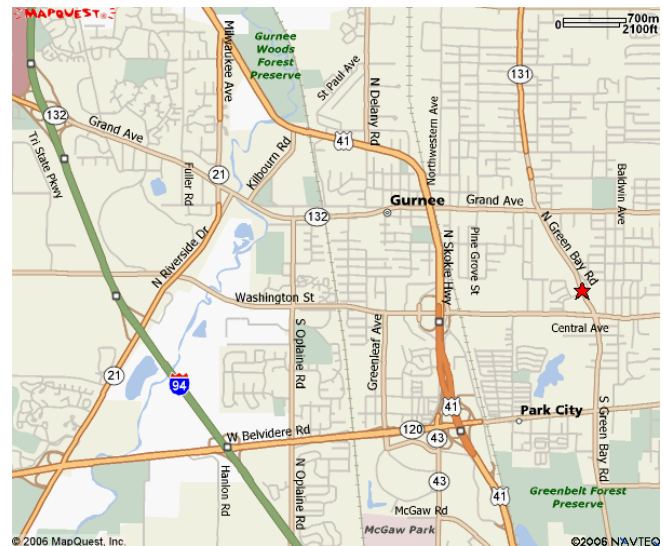
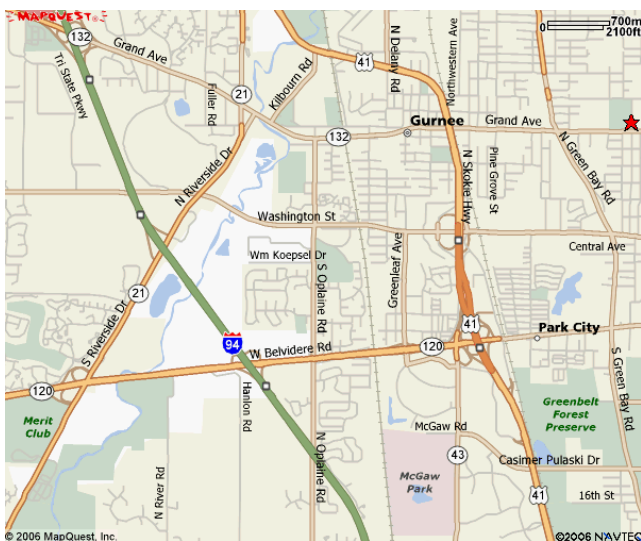
Merge onto I-80 E via EXIT 123A toward I-80 E / CHICAGO (Crossing into ILLINOIS). Merge onto I-294 N toward O'HARE / MILWAUKEE (Portions toll). I-294 N becomes I-94 W (Portions toll). Take the GRAND AVE / IL-132 exit on the LEFT. Turn RIGHT onto GRAND AVE / IL-132. Turn LEFT onto BALDWIN AVE. End at **800 Baldwin Ave** Waukegan, IL 60085, US.

From North

take the I-43 S / I-94 E / US-41 S ramp. Merge onto US-41 S (Crossing into ILLINOIS). Take the GRAND AVE / IL-132 exit on the LEFT. Turn LEFT onto GRAND AVE / IL-132. Turn LEFT onto BALDWIN AVE. End at **800 Baldwin Ave** Waukegan, IL 60085, US

To Ramada Inn

Take Grand Ave (IL-132) east to Green Bay Rd. Turn Right (South) to Ramada Inn.



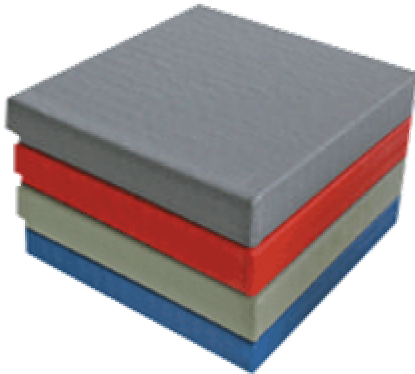
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