

2008 Senior National Judo Championships & Kata & International Masters

Held under the Sanction of USA Judo (United States Judo, Inc.); Number 2008-1

April 11 – April 12, 2008



Sponsored and Hosted by:	USA Judo and Virginia Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau
Nearest Airport:	Norfolk, VA
Tournament Headquarters:	Doubletree Hotel, 1-800-222-TREE ASK FOR THE JUDO RATE Book On Line: www.virginiabeach.doubletree.com . Enter Group Code: JSN
Overflow Hotel:	Quality Inn Pavilion: 716 21st St., Virginia Beach, VA, US, 23451 Rooms are \$99 and can be reserved by calling 757.422.3617. Request USA Judo rate.
Competition Site:	The Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19 th St., Virginia Beach
Check-in and Registration:	Thursday, April 10, 2008 - 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel: ALL SENIOR SHIAI ATHLETES & KATA COMPETITORS Friday, April 11, 2008 Noon – 4:00 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Convention Center: MASTERS ONLY
Weigh-in:	SENIOR SHIAI For those competing that day: Friday, April 11, 2008 from 6:00 – 7:00 a.m. SENIOR SHIAI For those competing that day: Saturday, April 12, 2008 from 6:00 – 7:00 a.m. ALL MASTERS: Friday, April 11, 2008 from Noon – 4:00 pm at the Virginia Beach Convention Center At weigh in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND a photo ID.
Competition Date:	Friday, April 11, 2008 Senior Shiai at 9:00 a.m. Female: 63kg., 70kg., 78kg., +78kg. Male: 81kg., 90kg., 100kg., +100kg. Kata – begins at conclusion of Shiai, but no sooner than 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 12, 2008 Senior Shiai at 9:00 am Female: 44kg., 48kg., 52kg., 57kg., Open. Male: 55kg., 60kg., 66kg., 73kg., Open. Masters – begins at conclusion of Shiai, but no sooner than 1:00 p.m.
Tournament Director:	Sherrie Phillips, 719.491.9682; sportsconsult@aol.com
Venue Director:	Corrine Shigemoto; 281-493-1955; Corrinshig@aol.com
Kata Coordinator	Dr. Kuniko Takeuchi, 916-283-5583; takeuchi29@mac.com
Referees Clinic:	Thursday, April 10, 2008 6:00 –7:00 pm at the Doubletree Hotel
Coaches Meeting	Thursday, April 10, 2008 6:00 –7:00 pm at the Doubletree Hotel
Technical Officials Meeting	Thursday, April 10, 2008 7:00 –8:00 pm at the Doubletree Hotel

A copy of this entry package can be found on USA JUDO's website: www.usjudo.org

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 9, 2008 – Organizational Meetings

9:00 am – 9:00 pm **USA Judo Board of Directors Meeting, USJF & USJA Meetings**
All Activities at the Doubletree Hotel
(Exact times and rooms will be posted)

Thursday, April 10, 2008 – Organizational Meetings, Athlete Registration

10:00 am – 6:00 pm USA Judo Subcommittee Meetings and National Assembly Meeting
Tournament Check-In
All Activities at the Doubletree Hotel
Athletes: All Athletes must check-in with tournament officials, in person, in order to confirm participation and competition. Categories (Senior Shiai, International Exhibition, and Kata). Senior Shiai must also make a final declaration of weight division.
ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 6:00 PM
NOTE: At weigh in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND a photo ID.

Coaches and Officials: Coaches and Officials must check-in, in person, to receive credentials. All coaches and officials must show proof of current coach certification with either USA Judo, USJF, or USJA. Please refer to Coach Credentials/Floor Pass Application form for details.

Draw Time and Locations Will Be Posted at Hotel

The schedule and location for the annual *National Kata Clinic* and Associated Activities will be announced as soon as plans are finalized.

Friday, April 11, 2008 – Weigh-in and Competition

6:00 - 7:00 am **Weigh-In (Senior Shiai)** Official weigh-in for those competing that day. Location: **Doubletree Hotel**. **NOTE: At weigh in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND a photo ID.**
Female: 63kg., 70kg., 78kg., +78kg.
Male: 81kg., 90kg., 100kg., +100kg.

All competition will be at the Virginia Beach Convention Center Center The competition schedule follows. Start time for opening ceremonies and medal matches may be adjusted.

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- 9:00 a.m. **Shiai Eliminations:** continues until completion; all matches except medal matches.
Female: 63kg., 70kg., 78kg., +78kg.
Male: 81kg., 90kg., 100kg., +100kg.
- Noon – 4:00 p.m. **Masters Registration and Weigh In (All Divisions) at the Virginia Beach Convention Center (Location to be announced)**
- 1:00 p.m. or after Shiai **Kata Competition:** Begins at the conclusion of Shiai , but not sooner than 1:00 pm and continues until completion. **Kata awards** will be presented once tabulation has concluded.
- 5:00 p.m. **Opening Ceremonies**
Medal Matches: Two Bronze medal matches and one gold/silver medal match per category. Order of matches will be determined after preliminary rounds.

Saturday, April 12, 2008 – Weigh In & Competition

- 6:00 – 7:00 a.m. **Weigh-In (Senior Shiai)** Official weigh-in for those competing that day. Location: **Doubletree Hotel**. **NOTE: At weigh in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND a photo ID.** **ALSO:** Contestants in the Open Category do **NOT** need to attend weigh-in.
Female: 44kg., 48kg., 52kg., 57kg., Open
Male: 55kg., 60kg., 66kg., 73kg., Open
- The competition schedule follows. Start time for opening ceremonies and medal matches may be adjusted. The Tournament Director reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding this event.**
- 9:00 a.m. **Shiai Eliminations:** continues until completion; all matches except Medal matches.
Female: 44kg., 48kg., 52kg., 57kg., Int'l Exh.*
Male: 55kg., 60kg., 66kg., 73kg., Int'l. Exh.*
- After 1:00 p.m. **Masters Competition:** Begins at the conclusion of Senior Shiai eliminations but no sooner than 1:00 pm and continues until completion. **Masters Open divisions** will be contested **after the COMPLETION** of the weight class competition. **Masters Awards** will be presented periodically through the competition as divisions are completed.
- 5:00 p.m. **Medal Matches:** Two bronze medal matches and one gold/silver match per category. Order of matches will be determined after preliminary rounds.

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SPECTATOR ADMISSION FEES

\$10.00 - per person per day.

\$18.00 - two day pass

Children under 10 Free.

- All US Olympians & World Medalist will receive free admission and floor passes.
- USA Judo Life Members will receive free admission (spectator seating only.)

ELIGIBILITY

Contestants may compete in Senior Shiai, International Exhibition, Masters and Kata Categories, if they meet the eligibility requirements for those events, submit the required documentation, pay the required entry fees and there is no conflict regarding weigh-in and competition schedules.

Senior Shiai Category: Participants in the Senior Shiai competition must be United States citizens, current members in good standing of United States Judo, Inc., and at least 15 years of age as of the day of competition.

In addition, the following eligibility requirements have been approved by the Board of Directors:

1. Athletes must be currently or formerly on the elite Senior roster, or IJF Junior roster, or Juvenile B roster, or have competed in their most recent Group B State Championships. If an athlete was unable to compete in his or her State Championship, a letter from the Group B President, granting a waiver of this requirement, will be accepted (approved April 22, 1998).
2. Athletes must hold the minimum rank of Senior Sankyu (approved October 21, 1999).

Age Waiver Procedures: Athletes under the age of 15 who wish to secure a Waiver of the Minimum Age Requirement to participate in this event should visit www.usjudo.org, Athletes page and click on the link to the Age Waiver program. An explanation of the program, criteria and application forms are located there.

The Open Category: Participants in this Category must be current members in good standing of United States Judo, Inc. and at least 15 years of age as of the day of competition. Competition is open to any U.S. Citizen, permanent resident of the USA (green card, white card, etc.), full time student residing in the USA or person holding a long-term work visa in the USA.

NOTE: Participants may enter into, or withdraw from, the Open Category as late as the morning of competition (Saturday). The time and location of this final registration will be posted and reminder announcements will be made during the first day of the tournament.

Masters Category: All athletes must be 30 years of age or older on the day of the event. In addition, the following eligibility rules apply:

- A. Athletes who are citizens of the United States:
Citizens of the United States must be current members in good standing of USA Judo (United States Judo, Inc).
- B. Athletes who are not citizens of the United States may participate by meeting one of the following conditions:
 1. If a non-U.S. citizen is a permanent, legal, resident of the United States (green card, etc.), then that person may compete either:
 - a. For the Country of which he/she is a citizen with proof of membership in that country's Judo Federation and the Country's permission to compete, **(or)**
 - b. As a member of USA Judo, affiliated with the appropriate State Governing Body.
 2. If a person is not a permanent resident of the United States, then that person can only compete under criteria 1a., above.

Proof of citizenship or permanent residency must be presented by all competitors at Tournament Check-In.

Passports are mandatory for all citizens of countries other than the United States.

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Kata Category: Athletes must be at least 15 years of age on the day of competition. United States citizens must be current members in good standing of United States Judo, Inc. Athletes who are not United States citizens must compete for the country of which they are a citizen, and must present a letter from their country's federation stating that they are a member in good standing and have the Federation's permission to compete.

This letter must be included with your application or presented at Registration/Check-in.

For teams composed of non-U.S. citizens, both Uke and Tori must be citizens of the same country. **Passports are mandatory for all citizens of countries other than the United States.**

There will be three Kata **categories:** Same Gender Male (both partners must be male); Same Gender Female (both partners must be female); and Mixed Gender (one partner must be male, the other must be female.) For further details, please refer to the kata section under Rules, elsewhere in this package.

CHAMPIONSHIP HEADQUARTERS AND TOURNAMENT SITE

Headquarters: **The Doubletree Hotel**
1900 Pavilion Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

For Reservations Call: 1-800-222- TREE, **ASK FOR THE JUDO GROUP RATE**

Book On Line: www.virginiabeach.doubletree.com enter the group code: **JSN**

Rates: \$129.00 plus tax per night for a Single/Double/Triple/Quadruple.

You must ask for the "**Judo Rate**" to receive the discounted rate. The special group rate is available from April 7 – April 13, 2008.

Reservations must be made by March 8, 2008 in order to get the discounted rate.

Hotel Features:

Restaurant & Lounge, Health Club, and Pool.
Walking distance to venue

Tournament Site: **The Virginia Beach Convention Center**
1000 19th Street
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

The tournament site is within walking distance of the venue.

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL

Orange Peel Transportation: (757) 463-7500

The Web site for the airport shuttle is: <http://careyvip.net/careyvip/airportconnection/>

OVERFLOW HOTEL

Quality Inn Pavilion: 716 21st St., Virginia Beach, VA, US, 23451

Rooms are \$99 and can be reserved by calling 757.422.3617. Request USA Judo rate.

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RULES

Injury Rule: The following rule was approved by the Board of Directors of USA Judo on October 22, 1998: Decisions as to whether an athlete may continue if injured while on the mat, are to be resolved in accordance with IJF rules; such decisions occurring off the mat or not covered by the IJF rules, are to be made by the coach, the athlete, and the Team Doctor. If there is not a unanimous opinion among these three individuals, the athlete **may not** continue.

Medical Examination Rule: Current IJF rules will be in effect.

Golden Score: The Golden Score (sudden victory) overtime rule will be in effect at these championships.

Draw: The draw will be conducted using USA Judo approved software. The draw will be random, with the restriction that players having the same State (Group B) affiliation will be placed as far apart in the bracket as possible. In addition, athletes in the Senior Shiai category will be seeded as described below.

Match Scheduling: The Texas Match Scheduling system will be used. Contestants will receive a card specifying their contest area number and match number. All contestants are expected to report to their assigned contest area 3 matches prior to their assigned match number.

Judogis: Blue and White Judogi are required for the Senior Shiai and Masters events. White Judogis only are required for the Kata event.

Senior Shiai Rules:

General: The Senior Shiai Championships will be conducted in accordance with the Contest Rules, Organization Code and Sporting Code of the International Judo Federation. These rules include, but are not limited to draw, weigh-in, length of contests, and competition procedures.

Seeding of Athletes: Senior Shiai only: Athletes will be seeded in accordance with their listing on the National Roster maintained by USA Judo as follows: A (or B) side: #1 and #8 in one half, #5 and #4 in the other half. B (or A) side: #2 and #7 in one half; and #6 and #3 in the other half. Seeded athletes will be separated as far as possible in their sections of the draw and will receive byes if available. A higher seeded athlete will always receive a bye before a lower seeded athlete. Seeded athletes lose their State/Club affiliation for purposes of the draw, i.e. two athletes from the same state or club may meet in the first round if one is a seeded athlete.

Match Lengths: 5 minutes for men and women.

Masters Championships:

General: The Masters Championships will be conducted in accordance with the Contest Rules, Organization Code and Sporting Code of the International Judo Federation with the following modifications: Match lengths will be 3 minutes for both men and women. Weigh-in will be on the day of check-in, Friday, April 11, 2008, from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the competition venue

Match Lengths: 3 minutes for men and women.

Masters may compete in only one weight division and the Open division.

Method of resolving uncontested Masters divisions: In the event that a Masters competitor is uncontested in his or her division, the following options are available, beginning with the oldest uncontested competitor and progressing to the youngest. **A mandatory meeting will be held Friday evening at the hotel for all Masters competitors. At this time uncontested divisions may be combined with others. All competitors must be present for a division to be combined.**

1. Remain uncontested.
2. Move down in age group, same weight until competition is found, **OR**
3. If an uncontested competitor must move down more than one age group in order to find competition, he or she may choose to move up in weight within their proper age group.

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An Open Category (no weight limits) will be contested for each age group **after the completion** of the weight class competition. Entrants must submit an additional entry form and fee to enter the Open Category.

Kata Championships:

The Kata Championships will be conducted in accordance with the current procedures of United States Judo, Inc. Entry rules are as follows:

1. There will be three Kata **categories**: Same Gender Male (both partners must be male); Same Gender Female (both partners must be female); and Mixed Gender (one partner must be male, the other must be female.)
2. There are four **events** in each category: Nage-no-kata, Katame-no-kata, Ju-no-kata, and Goshin-jutsu.
3. A contestant may enter only one Kata event once, i.e. cannot enter the same Kata Event with a different partner.
4. To qualify for the All-Around award in each Category, the same Kata team contestants must enter and compete in Nage-, Katame-, and Ju-no-kata **within the same Category**. The role of Uke and Tori may vary but the contestants must be the same.

A separate application and entry fee must be included for each Kata event entered. Discounts for those entering more than two (2) kata events are listed elsewhere.

METHOD OF COMPETITION

Senior Shiai and Masters

1. Categories having five (5) Competitors or less: Round Robin Pool (every competitor competes against every other competitor). The order of finish is determined by number of wins, then, if tied, by total points. If tied in wins and points, the winner of the head-to-head competition between the two who are still tied determines the winner. If three or more are still tied in wins and points for any place (first, second, or third), those contestants involved must contest again to determine the order of finish. Points are given to the winner only and shall be based on the highest single score of the winner, after factoring out scores that cancel out each other. Point values are: Ippon=10, Waza-ari=7, Yuko=5, Koka=3, Decision=1. If a contestant withdraws from a division prior to beginning his or her final match, the results of all that person's previous matches shall be discarded.
2. Categories having six (6) competitors or greater: Knockout System with Double Repechage (sometimes referred to as Crossover Repechage). Players are divided into two pools, A and B which are further subdivided into A1, A2, B1, B2. Determination of 1st and 2nd place: The "Knockout" (single elimination) system is then used to produce two finalists, one from pool A, the other from pool B, who will compete for 1st and 2nd place.

Determination of 3rd – 5th place: All contestants who were defeated by the winners of pools A1, A2, B1, and B2 (semi-finalists) will take part in the repechage of their respective pools in the order in which they were defeated. For example, for pool A1, the loser from Round 1 will meet the loser from Round 2; the winner of that match will meet the loser from Round 3, etc. The winner of repechage pool A1 will meet the winner of repechage pool A2; similarly for B1 and B2. The winner of the repechage pool A will meet the loser of the semi-final of knockout pool B. The winner of repechage pool B will meet the loser of the semi-final of knockout pool A. The winners (2) are placed 3rd, the losers (2) are placed 5th.

NOTICE OF POSSIBLE TESTING FOR BANNED SUBSTANCES

Senior Shiai only: Testing, in accordance with the Anti-Doping Rules and Procedures of the International Judo Federation, U.S. Olympic Committee, and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), may be conducted to determine whether an athlete is utilizing a substance forbidden by the International Olympic Committee. As an athlete, before taking any medication or supplement, it is your responsibility to find out if any substance in the product is prohibited or restricted. You may call the Drug Reference Hotline at 1-800-223-0393. If you prefer, you can send your correspondence and inquiries to: United States Anti-Doping

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Agency; 1265 Lake Plaza Dr.; Colorado Springs, CO 80906. Other useful information can be found by visiting USADA's website: <http://www.usantidoping.org/>

REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEES, TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN, WEIGH-IN

Early-Registration: The official entry form and all other required forms must be fully completed, properly signed, appropriate fees enclosed, and mailed to the address stated on the entry form, **postmarked no later than March 10, 2008**. All others will be considered late entries.

Entry Fees:

Entry fee is waived for defending Champion in Senior Shiai if competing in same weight in which won.

Early Registration: Entry fee for entries postmarked no later than **March 10, 2008** is **\$85.00**. Money orders or checks should be made payable to 2008 USA JUDO National Championships. If paying by credit card, include Credit Card Charge Request form. **DO NOT MAIL CASH.**

Late Registration: Official entry forms **postmarked after March 10, 2008** will be considered late entries. Late entries must pay an entry fee of **\$100.00**.

DO NOT MAIL ENTRIES AFTER March 25, 2008. After this date, entries should be hand carried to the tournament for Thursday, April 10, 2008 check-in, and will be considered **walk-up registrations with an entry fee of \$115.00**. See below for acceptable methods of payment.

Walk-Up Registration: Contestants may also register during Tournament Check-in. All forms must be properly completed and signed at that time and the **walk-up registration fee of \$125.00** will be expected. **Cash, Money Orders, Cashier's Checks, Certified Checks are the only accepted forms of payment for walk-up registration. Credit Cards, Personal or Business Checks will not be accepted for walk-up registration.**

Kata athletes: See next page for fees if entering more than two (2) katas.

ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE WITHOUT EXCEPTION!

Incomplete Entry Materials: Entries with incomplete or missing information will be considered late unless the required material is received before Tournament Check-In.

If you wish to receive confirmation of entry and/or have an opportunity to submit missing materials, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your application.

Tournament Check-In: All athletes must check-in with tournament officials, in person, at the tournament headquarters during one of the time periods listed in the next section in order to confirm participation and competition categories

During Tournament Check-In, late, incomplete, and walk-up registrations will be required to properly complete all forms and pay the appropriate fees.

All required forms must be properly completed and signed and the appropriate entry fees paid regardless of when the player registers. Refer to the checklist of required items listed elsewhere in this flyer.

Coaches and Officials: Coaches and Officials must check-in, **in person at the coaches meeting**, to receive credentials. All officials and coaches must show proof of current membership in USA JUDO; coaches must show proof of national certification with USA Judo. USA Judo will be the only recognized and accepted coaching certification.

ALL SENIOR SHIA WEIGH-INS WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

A calibrated practice scale will be available prior to, and during, the weigh-in periods. However, in no case will contestants be allowed on the Official Scale during Official Weigh-in for the purpose of checking weight. Contestants may check weight as many times as desired prior to the official weigh-in. A contestant is given

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only one chance on the official scale during official weigh-in. At weigh in, athletes must present their tournament-issued identification card AND a photo ID.

KATA COMPETITORS

It is technically possible for a kata athlete to enter as many as 8 different kata events (4 different katas in both same gender and mixed gender categories). It's common for athletes to enter 4 kata events.

USA Judo offers the following discounts for athletes who enter more than two (2) Kata events:

Number of Kata Events	Early Fee (postmarked by March 10, 2008)	Late Fee (postmarked by March 25, 2008)	Walk-up Fee (at event)
1, 2 (standard fees)	\$85.00	\$100.00	\$125.00
3, 4, 5	\$45.00	\$55.00	\$65.00
6, 7, 8	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$45.00

Fees listed above are for EACH event entered.

Example: If an athlete enters four (4) kata events and entries are postmarked by March 10, 2008, the entry fees would be $\$85 + \$85 + \$45 + \$45 = \$260.00$

Do not mail anything after March 25, 2008. After that date, bring all entry materials and fees to the tournament and register as a "Walk-up."

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ATHLETE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

To assure that the requirements for participation in the Championships have been fulfilled, the following forms must be completed, postmarked by April 10, 2008 and sent to the address printed at the bottom of this page.

All Athletes:

- Official Entry Form and \$85.00 Entry Fee (\$100.00 if postmarked after March 10, 2008.) DO NOT MAIL ENTRIES AFTER MARCH 10, 2008. After March 25, 2008, you must bring all entry forms and fees to Check-in and register as a "walk up" (\$125.00 entry fee must be paid).**

Kata athletes: See previous page for fees if entering more than two (2) katas.

A separate application and entry fee must be included for each category/event entered.

- Warning, Waiver, Release of Liability and Agreement to Participate.** The waiver must be signed.
- Proof of Age:** Copy of birth certificate, passport, or USA JUDO membership card having the verification symbol "(V)" printed following the birthdate. **A driver's license is not proof of age or citizenship!**
- Proof of Black Belt Rank:**
Copy of rank certificate, **OR,**
Certificate Regarding Non-Black Belt Contestants
NOTE: A copy of your current USA JUDO membership card having the rank verification symbol "(V)" printed following the rank will serve as proof. . In addition, rank cards issued by the USJF or USJA National Offices will serve as proof.
- Power of Attorney:** Required for participants under the age of 18 years whose parent/guardian will not be attending the championships.

United States Citizens ONLY:

- Certificate of United States Citizenship and age.**

All 1) United States Citizens AND 2) Masters or International Exhibition athletes who are permanent residents but not US citizens:

- Copy of current USA JUDO (USJI) membership card.** Cards may be purchased on line at www.usajudo.org. Cards may also be purchased on site at event.

Senior Shiai Athletes ONLY:

Non-US citizens competing in Masters or Kata and representing the country of which they are citizens:

- Letter from your National Judo Federation stating that you are a member in good standing and have their permission to compete in this event.**

Don't forget to include your check, money order, cashier's check, or Credit Card Charge Request form in the amount of **\$85.00, per event**, made payable to: **2008 USA Judo National Championships, postmarked by March 10, 2008 (\$100.00 per event if postmarked after March 10, 2008).** U.S. Currency Only. **DO NOT mail entries after March 25, 2008. Bring entry materials to tournament check-in and register as a "walk-up".**

NOTE: A self-addressed, stamped envelope must be included to receive confirmation of entry form received.

Forward all forms and fees to:
2008 USA Judo National Championships One Olympic Plaza, Suite 505, Colorado Springs, CO 80909
For Questions Contact: Tournament Director: Sherrie Phillips 719.491.9682 or via email at sportsconsult@aol.com

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SENIOR SHIAI OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Mail Entry Forms and \$85.00 entry fee (\$100.00 if postmarked after March 10, 2008) to:
2008 USA Judo National Championships, One Olympic Plaza, Suite 505, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

DO NOT MAIL ENTRIES AFTER March 25, 2008. After March 25, 2008, you must bring all entry fees to check-in and register as a "walk up" and pay the **\$125.00** walk up entry fee.

Entry fee is waived for defending Champion if competing in same weight.

Participant's Name:

Last Name (Family Name, Surname)

First Name

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Street Address:

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City:

State:

Zip Code:

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Telephone (Voice):

Fax:

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USA JUDO (USJI) Membership Number:

Date of Birth (month/day/year)

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Judo Rank:

Name of Coach:

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Judo Club Name:

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E-Mail Address (optional - if available)

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Circle the category in which you wish to compete. If competing in the Open Category a second entry form must be completed. If the open category is the second division contested in, there will only be a charge of \$65.00.

Female:	44 Kg	48 Kg	52 Kg	57 Kg	63 Kg	70 Kg	78 Kg	+78 Kg	Open
Male:	55 Kg	60 Kg	66 Kg	73 Kg	81 Kg	90 Kg	100 Kg	+100 Kg	Open

All athletes except those entering the International Exhibition Category must certify that they meet at least one of the following Board-approved eligibility criteria:

I am a current or former elite Senior, IJF Junior, or Juvenile B Athlete.

I have competed in the most recent Group B State Championship in my state.

I was unable to compete in the most recent Group B State Championship in my state of residence for the following reason (examples: Injury, no Championship was held, etc.): _____

A waiver letter from your State president must be attached.

Participant's Signature	Date

I request entry fee waiver. I am the defending champion in this weight: _____

A COMPLETE CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS IS PRINTED IN THIS PACKET. PLEASE REFER TO IT.

IMPORTANT! Do not forget to include proof of age (birth certificate or passport; a driver's license is **NOT** acceptable), proof of rank, signature of parent/guardian if under 18 years of age, and all other documents, fully completed and signed. These items can be very difficult to obtain, once you arrive at the event.

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SAME GENDER - KATA OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - SAME GENDER

Mail Entry Forms and \$85.00 entry fee (\$100.00 if postmarked after March 10, 2008) to:
2008 USA Judo National Championships, One Olympic Plaza, Suite 505, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

DO NOT MAIL ENTRIES AFTER March 25, 2008. After March 25, 2008, you must bring all entry fees to check-in and register as a "walk up" and pay the **\$125.00** walk up entry fee. **SEE BELOW FOR SPECIAL FEES**

Participant's Name:

Last Name (Family Name, Surname)

First Name

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Street Address:

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City:

State:

Zip Code:

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Telephone (Voice)

Fax:

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USA JUDO (USJI) Membership Number:

Date of Birth (month/day/year)

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Judo Rank:

Name of Coach

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Judo Club Name:

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E-Mail Address (optional – if available):

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Circle the category in which you wish to compete. **Tori and Uke must submit separate forms.**
If competing in more than one category, a separate application and entry fee must be included for each Kata category entered.

Nage-no-kata	Katame-no-kata	Ju-no-kata	Goshin-jutsu
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Both partners must be of the **Same Gender** - Please circle one: **M** **F**

TORI'S NAME (LAST, FIRST)	UKE'S NAME (LAST, FIRST)

IMPORTANT! Do not forget to include proof of age (birth certificate or passport; a driver's license is **NOT** acceptable), proof of rank, signature of parent/guardian if under 18 years of age, and all other documents, fully completed and signed. These items can be very difficult to obtain, once you arrive at the event.

A complete checklist of required documents is printed in this packet. Please use it.

Fees for entering Multiple Katas:

First two (2) Katas: Standard Fees as listed above for EACH Kata.
 Katas 3, 4, 5: Early \$45; Late (after March 20): \$55; Walk-up (after April 10): \$65 for EACH Kata
 Katas 6, 7, 8: Early \$25; Late (after March 20): \$35; Walk-up (after April 10): \$45 for EACH Kata

SAME GENDER KATA SAME GENDER KATA SAME GENDER

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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 2008 USA Judo (USJI) Senior National Judo Championships and Masters and Kata National Championships and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc. (USA Judo), the Virginia Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Virginia Beach Convention Center, the City of Virginia Beach, The Doubletree Hotel, and all judo organizations and local organizations supporting the event **I hereby:**

1. 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., the United States Olympic Committee, United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, the Virginia Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Virginia Beach Convention Center, the City of Virginia Beach, The Doubletree Hotel, and all judo organizations and local organizations supporting the event 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 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

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CERTIFICATE REGARDING NON-BLACK BELT CONTESTANTS

I, _____, a Judo Instructor, who has been
.....(Name of Instructor)
awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, recognized by United States Judo, Inc., hereby certify that,
_____, although not
having been awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in
Judo to compete in these Championships.

Signature of Judo Instructor

A copy of my proof of rank (rank certificate or my USA JUDO membership card having the verification symbol “(V)” printed following my rank) is attached. MUST BE INCLUDED WITH ENTRY FORM

CERTIFICATE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND AGE

I certify that I am a citizen of the United States of America and _____ years of age as of April 20, 2008.

A copy of my birth certificate, military identification, passport, voter registration card, or my USA JUDO membership card having the verification symbol “(V)” printed following my date of birth is attached. MUST BE INCLUDED WITH ENTRY FORM

Signature of parent or guardian if contestant is under 18 years of age.

Signature of Contestant

POWER OF ATTORNEY

If contestant is under the age of 18 years on the day of competition, this document must be completed by the contestant’s parent or legal guardian if the parent or legal guardian is not attending the Championships.

I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of _____
a minor. I will not be in attendance at the Championships and do hereby designate _____

_____, who is over 21 years of age, to be my true and lawful attorney, to act in my name, place, and stead, to do any and every act and exercise any power that I might or could do or exercise through any other person and that he/she shall deem proper or advisable, intending hereby to vest in the person acting for me full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing.

Signature of parent or legal guardian

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Coach Event Credentials/Floor Pass Application Form

Competition Floor Pass Credentials will be provided to USA Judo nationally certified coaches ONLY. Coaching credentials will be issued at the coaching meeting. For information on coaching certification programs, please contact Patrick Burris at burris7276@sbcglobal.net.

Coaches admitted to the floor of the event are expected to dress appropriately for a National Championship: i.e. no tank tops, cut-off jeans, and the like.

For each Club, School or State, coach credentials will be distributed based on the following board-approved allocation:

1. If # of players are less than # of contest areas, then Max # of coaches = Max # of players. **Otherwise**
2. Max # of coaches = # of contest areas.
3. Coaches must provide a list of athletes which they will be coaching.

Printed Name:	
E-mail Address:	

Coach Certification Level:	A	B	C	D	E
Certified by	USA Judo			Number:	

Coaching for (Fill in one or more):

Club:	
State:	

Student's Names (fill in one or more):

2008 USA JUDO Senior National Championships Tournament Program Advertisement Agreement

Help sponsor the 2008 USA JUDO Senior National Judo Championships & Masters & Kata National Championships by purchasing advertisement space in our Tournament Program. The Program will serve as a commemorative collector's item in the years to come. This is an opportunity to reach over 800 competitors and their families. **The deadline for advertisements is March 10, 2008. Please make checks payable to USA Judo National Championship.**

Yes! I would like to purchase the following ad space in the Tournament Program:

<input type="checkbox"/> Patron Listing - \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Full page - \$450.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/8 page - \$75.00 (business card size)	<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Back Cover - \$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 page - \$200.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Front Cover - \$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/2 page - \$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Back Cover - \$600.00

Name:		
Organization:		
Address:		
Phone: ()	Fax: ()	Email:

Send in your **CAMERA-READY ARTWORK** as noted above, or supply us with a message in the space below and let us design it for you. Advertise a company or business, or your Judo Club or an upcoming tournament or event. Send a special Good Luck! Message to someone you know who will be competing!

Mail this form and check or Credit Card Charge Request form to:

2008 USA Judo Senior National Judo Championships
One Olympic Plaza, Suite 505
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

For questions contact: Nicole Jomantas
Tel: 719:866.4730
Nicole.Jomantas@usajudo.us

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Merchandise Sales Booth Reservation

This contract will stipulate the points of agreement between USA Judo and _____ on the handling, distribution and sales of merchandise at the 2008 USA Judo Senior National Judo Championships & Masters & Kata National Championships on April 11 – April 12, 2008 in Virginia Beach, VA.

1. All merchandise or items for sale must be “Judo” oriented. All items must not have political statements, racial or ethnic slurs, lewd or indecent pictures or representations and must be in keeping with the aims of Judo, USJI interests, and/or the goals of the Olympic Sport movement.
2. No items may be sold that contain the marks or logos of USA Judo, or the event name: 2008 USA Judo Senior National Judo Championships & Masters & Kata National Championships or any derivatives of this name without express, written permission from USA Judo.
3. A vendor fee of \$250.00 must be included with this agreement.
4. Vendor space location is determined by random draw; time and location to be posted at Hotel Headquarters.

Organization Representing

Signature

Date

Send Form & Check or Credit Card Charge Request form, postmarked by March 10, 2008 to:
2008 USA Judo Senior National Judo Championships
One Olympic Plaza, Suite 505
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

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Credit Card Charge Request

If you wish to use your Credit Card for Entry Fee, Advertisement in the Program Booklet, or for Merchandise Sales Booth, please complete the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Credit Card (circle one):	MasterCard	VISA	Discover	American Express
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Credit Card #:					-					-					-				
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Credit Card Expiration Date:		
-----	(month)	(year)

Name as it appears on Credit Card (please print): _____

Amount authorized to charge: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail To:
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