Judo Timeless: Where competition meets education, and young athletes become the next generation of judo leaders.



Excellence. Teamwork. Timeless Judo.

EVENT OUTLINES

International Mixed Team Tournament for Cadets & Juniors

Powered by the USD 150,000 Champions for Life Support Fund



Visp, Switzerland July 18th, 2026















1. Welcome & Event Overview

Dear athletes, coaches, referees, and judo enthusiasts,

Welcome to **Judo Timeless** – where young judoka meet, compete, and grow in the spirit of fair play.

We are delighted to host this unique international mixed team tournament for Cadets (U18) and Juniors (U21), taking place from **July 17–19, 2026** in Visp (competition at Lonza Arena), with arrival and accreditation on **July 17** at Sport Resort Fiesch, followed by the Sergei Judo Camp from **July 20–24, 2026** in Fiesch.

Judo Timeless is open to **all national federations and clubs**, bringing together young athletes from around the world to compete, learn, and share experiences in a safe, respectful, and inspiring environment. The tournament will accept a **maximum of 96 teams**, with priority given on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration opens on 15 January 2026.

Event Highlights

- **Mixed Teams**: Each team consists of 6 athletes (3 boys + 3 girls), combining cadets and juniors.
- **Sergei Judo Camp**: A 5-day program held after the tournament, focused on technique, education, and international exchange.
- **Development-Oriented Awards**: Through the **Champions for Life Support Fund**, prizes are credited toward athlete growth, training opportunities, and judo development.
- **Cultural Exchange**: The programme includes visits and activities designed to foster international friendships and cultural understanding.
- Fair Play & Education: All participants are expected to respect the principles of fair play and the judo code of conduct, while developing their skills and knowledge through competitions, quizzes, and camp activities.

We warmly welcome all federations, clubs, athletes, coaches, and referees to Judo Timeless - a modern, international judo event where competition, learning, and friendship come together.

Join us as we honor the spirit of judo, compete at the highest level, and invest in the future of our sport.





2. LOC Event Contacts

Organiser:

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Join the Telegram channel for all relevant updates.



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3. Timeless Tournament & Sergei Judo Camp Locations

Timeless Tournament

Lonza Arena Torweg 3 3930 Visp

Sergei Judo Camp

Sport Resort Fiesch Feriendorf 1 3984 Fiesch





4. Programme & Key Dates

July 17



Arrival of delegation by 17:00 at Sport Resort Fiesch

12:00 - 20:30 Accreditation at Sport Resort Fiesch

17:00 – 20:30 Weigh-in at Sport Resort Fiesch

21:00 Draw at Sport Resort Fiesch

July 18



6:30 – 7:00 Optional morning weigh-in before the competition, only for delegations that did not complete the weigh-in the day before, held at Sport Resort Fiesch

9:00 Opening of the Timeless Tournament and start of competition at Lonza Arena in Visp

July 19



9:30 Organized departure to Lausanne for a guided visit to the

<u>Olympic Museum</u>

Around **18:00** Transfer back to Sport Resort Fiesch

July 20-24



Sergei Judo Camp at Sport Resort Fiesch

July 25



Departure day (optional morning training session)





5. Competition System & Regulation

5.1. General Information

The tournament will be held according to IJF rules, using the FairReplay system.

Tournament format: Double Repechage (Ensures teams have a second chance even if they lose to a top-ranked team.)

Competition duration per contest: 4 minutes.

The event is open to **clubs** and **national federations**.

Athletes from other clubs may join a team if needed to complete the team composition.

These athletes must be of the same nationality as the requesting club.

All participating athletes must have a valid IJF card and be inscribed in Judobase by their national federation.

Simultaneous tatami areas: 8

Maximum number of teams: 96 (priority given on a first-come, first-served basis).

5.2. Team Composition

Each team consists of 6 athletes:

3 Cadets (U18):

Female: -57 kg

Male: -60 kg, -73 kg

3 Juniors (U21):

Female: -63 kg, +63 kg

Male: -81 kg

Gender-balanced: 3 female + 3 male per team.

Maximum registration: Each team may register up to **8 athletes**, allowing up to **2 reserves**.





5.3. Age Eligibility

Cadets (U18)

Eligible birth years: 2009, 2010, 2011

Flexibility rule: Athletes from the U15 category (born in 2012) may compete in U18

Juniors (U21)

Eligible birth years: 2006, 2007, 2008

Flexibility rule: Athletes in their final year of U18 (born in 2009) may compete in U21

5.4. Team Match Procedure

Victory Condition

A team wins the match by winning the majority of individual contests.

Tie Scenario (3:3)

• If the team match ends in a 3:3 tie, a seventh deciding match will be held to determine the winner.

Seventh Match Procedure

- The seventh match begins with Golden Score rules (the first score wins).
- Determining the weight category for the seventh match:
- 1. The team wearing blue judogi is designated as heads, and the team wearing white judogi is designated as tails for a coin toss.
- 2. Each team's coach selects their preferred weight category for the deciding match.
- 3. The referee performs a coin toss to determine which team's chosen category will be used.

Outcome

• The winner of the seventh match is declared the winner of the team match.





6. Entry & Registrations - Deadlines

Registration opens: 15 January 2026

Maximum number of teams: 96 (priority given on a first-come, first-served basis)

Mandatory information at registration:

- Number of participants per team
- Payment of a deposit of 500 CHF per team, which will be deducted from the final accommodation fee

Detailed list of athletes and coaches must be submitted no later than 15 June 2026.

TOURNAMENT & CAMP REGISTRATION (via <u>timeless@sjcamp.ch</u>)	15 June 2026
TRAVEL DETAILS (via info@sjcamp.ch)	1 July 2026
ACCOMMODATION RESERVATION (via info@sjcamp.ch)	15 June 2026
ACCOMMODATION PAYMENT (via info@sjcamp.ch)	10 July 2026
VISA APPLICATION (via info@sjcamp.ch)	1 June 2026
REFEREE NOMINATION (via timeless@sjcamp.ch)	1 May 2026

7. Referee Nomination

NOMINATION

Each participating delegation is invited to nominate one referee to join the event's official team. Each nominated referee must hold the highest national license.





SELECTION

A total of 32 referees (4 per tatami) will be selected to cover the full duration and supervision of the tournament.

BENEFITS FOR REFEREES

- Accommodation & Board: Free accommodation and full board from 17–20 July 2026 (3 nights).
- Officiating Fee: USD 100 for the competition day

REFEREE NOMINATION DEADLINE

The deadline for referee nominations is **1 May 2026**. Nominations must be submitted via email to **timeless@sjcamp.ch**. Delegations will receive confirmation of selected referees by **20 May 2026**.

8. Technical Information

ACCREDITATION

- At least one team delegate (and not more than two) must attend the accreditation on Friday, 17 July 2026, from 12:00 to 20:30 to confirm the entries of all athletes and officials with their signature on the delegation confirmation list.
- Confirming the delegation list is the full responsibility of the Club or National Federation.
- In case of unforeseen delays, changes, or cancellations, the Club or National Federation must inform the LOC via timeless@sjcamp.ch.
- Passports or photocopies of passports from all competitors must be available on request. National ID cards showing nationality, picture, and date of birth (or a copy) are also accepted.





WEIGH-IN

- The official weigh-in for all teams will be held on 17 July 2026, from 17:00 to 20:30 at Sport Resort Fiesch
- Athletes must present their passport or National ID card showing nationality, photo, and date of birth.
- For athletes who cannot attend the official weigh-in, an additional weigh-in will be available on the competition day (18 July) from 06:30 to 07:00.
- Test weigh-in will be possible on 17 July from 08:00 to 17:00.
- Filming and taking photos are strictly prohibited during all weigh-in sessions.

OFFICIAL JUDOGI AND BACKNUMBER

Athletes must compete wearing an IJF approved judogi (white and blue) with a backnumber displaying their last name and National Olympic Committee (NOC) abbreviation.

JUDOGI CONTROL

- Prior to each contest, judogi will be checked with a Sokuteiki to verify size compliance.
- Each competition garment (jacket, trousers, belt) must feature the IJF "APPROVED JUDOGI" label, which includes an optical code that cannot be forged.
- The label will be verified using a UV / optical lamp, in line with IJF standards.
- The label must be fixed according to IJF specification (e.g., jacket bottom left, trousers front center, belt edge).
- Judogi that do not comply with these requirements may not be accepted.

COACHING

Coaches may wear tracksuits or team clothing throughout the competition, and formal attire is not required. Professional and respectful behavior is expected at all times.

AWARDING CEREMONY

During the medal ceremony, athletes must be barefoot, without any hats or head coverings, and wear their white judogi following competition rules, paying attention to the publicity guidelines. No national flags or similar items are allowed on the podium, and any actions with religious, political, personal, or commercial messages are strictly forbidden.





9. Accommodation, Transport & Payments

There is **no entry fee** for the competition; however, all participants of the Timeless Tournament are **required to stay in the official accommodation** at Sport Resort Fiesch.

ACCOMMODATION

- All delegations will be accommodated at Sport Resort Fiesch (www.sport-resort.ch).
- Accommodation is provided in multi-bed rooms.
- The organizer has arranged a special package including full board (three meals per day).
- Arrival: 17 July 2026
- Departure: 25 July 2026
- Cost: CHF 800 per person for the entire stay, including full board.
- Reservation deadline: 15 June 2026
- Payment deadline: 10 July 2026
- Reservations and payment information must be handled exclusively via email: info@sjcamp.ch

TRANSPORT

- For all delegations arriving by plane (not using their own vehicles), transport to and from the official accommodation is included in the CHF 800 accommodation and meals package.
- Primary airport: Geneva
- Other airports (Zurich and Basel): transport can be arranged upon request via info@sjcamp.ch.

The organizer will provide free transportation for all participants from Sport Resort Fiesch to the Timeless Tournament venue in Visp and back, as well as to the Olympic Museum in Lausanne.





PAYMENTS

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PAYMENT REFERENCE: Timeless + Name of the club or national federation

Once a team submits its registration, the LOC will issue an invoice based on the number of participants indicated at the time of registration. Should any changes occur, the invoice will be corrected accordingly. In order to issue the invoice, each team must provide its full official address as well as the total number of participants.

Payment confirms the registration and must be made in CHF. All bank fees and transfer costs must be covered by the sending Club or National Federation. Teams are required to use the invoice reference number when making the payment and to present proof of payment during accreditation.

For security reasons, please ensure that all bank details are taken directly from the official outlines.





10. Champions for Life Support Fund

A total of **USD 150,000** in prize funding will be distributed as follows:

PLACEMENT	PRIZE AMOUNT (USD)
1st Place Team	60,000
2nd Place Team	30,000
3rd Place Teams (x2)	15,000 each
5th Place Teams (x2)	7,500 each
7th Place Teams (x2)	5,000 each
EDUCATIONAL AWARD	5,000 (prize in the form of sports equipment of equivalent value, awarded through a Judo Knowledge Quiz)

Purpose Beyond the Podium:

To align with judo's educational values, the Champions for Life Fund introduces a development-based prize system:

- No direct cash payouts to individuals or team staff.
- Prize amounts are credited into a controlled system, valid for 18 months.
- Credits can be used exclusively for judo-related development, such as:
 - Training camps
 - Tournament registration fees
 - Travel and accommodation for judo events
- Credits are valid only for official activities recognized by the IJF and continental unions.
- All transactions are managed directly by the Timeless Judo Organizing Team.





Impact

- Ensures athletes directly benefit from their achievements.
- Reinforces long-term investment in athlete education and growth.
- Encourages federations and clubs to nurture sustainable development pathways.

Through this model, the prize fund becomes a catalyst for future opportunities, not just a short-term reward.

11. Sergei Judo Camp

- The Sergei Judo Camp, a long-established IJF-approved Judo Natsu Course, follows
 the Timeless Tournament and is part of the extended event experience for all
 participants.
- The camp will take place at Sport Resort Fiesch from 20 to 24 July 2026.
- The training programme is led by experienced Olympic, World, and Continental medalist coaches, providing **high-level technical sessions and randori**.
- Sergei Judo Camp is a non-profit association, dedicated to youth development and judo education in a supportive, international environment.
- For more details, see the official website: <u>Sergei Judo Camp</u>

12. Cultural & Educational Programme

Cultural Activity

- On 19 July 2026, all participants will visit the Olympic Museum in Lausanne.
- The organizer will provide transport and entrance tickets for all participants.
- This activity is part of the cultural programme, offering athletes an opportunity to explore Olympic history and values.





Educational Activity – Judo Knowledge Quiz

- During the Sergei Judo Camp, all teams can register to participate in a Judo Knowledge Quiz.
- The quiz evaluates both judo knowledge and strategy, adding a fun and educational element to the camp.
- The team with the highest combined score and a bit of luck will be awarded sports equipment worth USD 5,000.
- This prize aligns with the Champions for Life philosophy, supporting judo development and educational growth rather than direct cash payouts.

13. Visa Information

- For Clubs or National Federations whose participants require a visa to enter Switzerland, the organizer can provide a visa support letter upon request, no later than 1 June 2026.
- Please contact <u>info@sjcamp.ch</u> if a visa letter is needed.

14. Insurance & Liability

Competitor Responsibility

- All athletes compete under the full responsibility of their Club or National Federation.
- Each Club or National Federation is responsible for accident, health, and civil liability insurance covering their competitors for the entire period of the event.
- The organizing committee (LOC) and the event organizers decline all responsibility for injury, illness, death, or property damage.





Medical Coverage

- It is the responsibility of each participant to ensure they have sufficient medical and travel insurance, including coverage for repatriation in case of illness or injury.
- The LOC does not cover medical costs related to illness or accidents occurring before or during the event.

Media Consent

- By participating, all athletes and delegates consent to the use of their image, name, results, and related media by the organizers and their media partners for purposes including print, digital media, websites, advertising, social media, and educational purposes.
- Clubs or National Federations must ensure that each participant or their parent/guardian (for minors) has provided consent.
- If a participant does not consent, the Club or National Federation must inform the LOC in writing.

15. Media & Communication

- Media representatives can request accreditation via info@sjcamp.ch.
- Approval is at the discretion of the organisers, and requests submitted after 15 June 2026 may not be accepted.
- Media are responsible for their own travel and accommodation.