

2026 RMC Open

Saturday, February 28, 2026



Tournament Venue

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Kingston Military Community Sports Centre

SAM Gym
11 Navy Way
Kingston, Ontario
K7K 7B4

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Tournament Format

This tournament will have staggered weigh-ins where each age category will have their weigh-in times set throughout the day. These times will be posted on the hayajudo.com website on February 27, 2026 at www.hayajudo.com/2026RMCOpen.

This format is designed specially so that athletes may weigh-in, compete and get their awards within an estimated couple of hours and to avoid the typical long-day wait to fight.

Registration

This is an online registration event **ONLY**:

<https://www.hayajudo.com/2026-rmc-open-athlete-registration/>.

Registration opens: January 21, 2026 [UPDATED]

Early Registration closes: February 1, 2026 [UPDATED]

Normal Registration closes: February 25, 2026

Late Registration closes: February 26, 2026

A late fee will be added to those registrations received after February 25, 2026 at 11:59pm. NO registrations will be accepted after February 26, 2026 at 11:59pm.

Age groups will be split up by weight according to the weight divisions set out below; however, belt rank groupings will ultimately be decided by the Tournament Director based on registrations.

Entry Fees

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY	Registration received by 11:59pm			
	1-Feb-26	25-Feb-26	26-Mar-26	
1st division	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00	+ HST
Second division	\$ 35.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 60.00	
Ne-Waza 3 rd division*	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	
Spectators	FREE			

* 3rd division can only be Ne-waza division.

Awards

Shiai

1st, 2nd and two 3rd place medals will be awarded as per Judo Canada guidelines.

Medals will be awarded as each division finishes.

Weigh-ins

Weigh-ins will be on the day of the competition at the tournament site. Weigh-ins will begin one hour prior to the scheduled start time and continue until 1 hour prior to the last division scheduled start time. Competitors must have completed their weigh-in by 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of their division.

Note: All participants must come to the official weigh in with their 2022-23 Judo Canada membership card or Hayabusa Judo League online registration receipt. Foreign competitors must bring a current membership card of their association.

All athletes must weigh-in wearing their judo gi pants and a t-shirt **with no exceptions. No stripping of clothing will be allowed.**

Allowances are as follows:

U14: 600 grams

U16-U21: 800 grams

Senior & Veterans: 1 kg

Referees

Referee's planning to officiate should present themselves to the Chief Referee for roll call at 8:00 am on Saturday morning. For more information about registering for referee, please go to the referee registration found at:

<https://www.hayajudo.com/2026-rmc-open-referee-registration/> .

Referee Eligibility: Referees must be paid up members of Judo Ontario with minimum Provincial C certification, or other Provincial/Territorial associations, or IJF recognized Association with similar certification.

Rules and Eligibility

- All paid up members of Provincial Associations.
- Judo Canada and IJF recognized associations of other countries.
- White judo gi's are mandatory for all ages.
- Current IJF Rules Modified by NSO & PSO Regulations apply.
- True double elimination.
- Round robin for 5 or less.
- The Tournament Director, with the approval of the Chief Official, reserves the right to delete, combine, or alter any category or division if necessary, for the successful running of this tournament.
- Any division changes affecting minors must have parental written consent of all competitors in NEW/RECEIVING DIVISION.

- Any division changes affecting adult competitors must have the written consent of all competitors in the receiving division.
- If there are insufficient entries in the ne-waza, the divisions will be combined within the required weight allowances.
- U16 green belt and above divisions require a white and blue judo gi.

Competition Schedule

Friday, February 27, 2026 (online at www.hayajudo.com/2026RMCOpen)

8:00 am – weigh-in times for respective divisions posted

Saturday, February 28, 2026 (at Kingston Military Community Sports Centre)

7:30 am – weigh-ins commence (starting with Veterans and Ne-Waza)

9:00 am – shiai commences with Veterans and Ne-Waza divisions

Shiai will have staggered weigh-ins through-out the day until 3:00 pm

Shiai to finish last categories of this day at 5:00 pm

Order of Divisions

Saturday, February 28, 2026
Veterans & Ne-Waza
U10/U12
U14
U16 & U21
U18
Senior

Divisions

<p>U10 Born: 2017-2018 Minimum Yellow Belt No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3 minute matches. No Golden Score</p>
<p>Weight Divisions to be decided by Tournament Director – made into pools of 5 or less. Attempts will be made to separate boys and girls divisions; however, there may still be some co-ed divisions made or the smooth running of the tournament.</p>

<p>U12 Born: 2015-2016 Minimum Yellow Belt No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3 minute matches. No Golden Score</p>
<p>Weight Divisions to be decided by Tournament Director – made into pools of 5 or less. Attempts will be made to separate boys and girls divisions; however, there may still be some co-ed divisions made or the smooth running of the tournament.</p>

U14 Born: 2013-2014 U14 Advanced Ranks: Green and up U14 Beginner Ranks: Yellow and Orange No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3 minute matches. No Golden Score	
U14 Male Weight Divisions: -32kg, -35kg, -38kg, -42kg, -46kg, -50kg, 55kg, -60kg, -66kg, +66kg	U14 Female Weight Divisions: -30kg, 33kg, -36kg, -40kg, -44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, +63kg

U16 Born: 2011-2012 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> U16 Advanced Ranks: Green and up U16 Beginner Ranks: Yellow and Orange No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Below Duration: 3 minute matches. Golden Score is applied.	
U16 Male Weight Divisions: -38kg, -42kg, 46kg, -50kg, 55kg, -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, +73kg	U16 Female Weight Divisions: -36kg, -40kg, 44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg

Note - Modified Medical Rules: All U14, U16 and U18 contestants will be allowed two one-minute free medical examinations per competitor per match (does not include treatments for bleeding) without penalty. A third examination for the same injury to the same competitor in the same match will result in their opponent being awarded the win by "Kikengachi". All incidents of bleeding in these two age categories will be dealt with in accordance with current IJF Competition Rules, Article 29 (Bleeding Injuries).

U18 Born: 2009, 2010, 2011 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> U18 Advanced Ranks: Green and up U18 Beginner Ranks: Yellow and Orange No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Above Duration: 4 minute matches. Golden Score is applied.	
U18 Male Weight Divisions: -50kg, 55kg, -60kg, - 66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, +90kg	U18 Female Weight Divisions: -40kg, 44kg, -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, +70kg

U21 Born: 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 <i>and as per Judo Canada's Early Bloomer Clause</i> U21 Advanced Ranks: Green and up U21 Intermediate Ranks: Yellow and Orange	
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No chokes or armlocks. Modified Medical Rules. See Above Duration: 4 minute matches. Golden Score is applied.	
U21 Male Weight Divisions: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg	U 21 Female Weight Divisions: -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, +78kg

Seniors Born: 2011 and earlier Senior Advanced Ranks: Brown and up Senior Intermediate Ranks: Green and Blue Senior Novice Ranks: Yellow and Orange No chokes or armlocks for Novice Ranks. Modified Medical Rules. See Above Duration: 4 minute matches. Golden Score is applied for all ranks except for Novice.	
U21 Male Weight Divisions: -60kg, -66kg, -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg	U 21 Female Weight Divisions: -48kg, -52kg, -57kg, -63kg, -70kg, -78kg, +78kg

Ne-Waza Ranks: Green and up Chokes and armlocks permitted Duration: 4 minute matches. Golden Score is applied.	
Senior Born 2011 and Earlier	
Senior Male Weight Divisions: -66kg, -81kg, -100kg, +100kg	Senior Female Weight Divisions: -52kg, -70kg, +70kg
Veterans Born 1996 and Earlier	
Men -66kg, -81kg, -100kg, +100kg	Women -52kg, -70kg, +70kg

Veterans Born: 1993 and earlier Ranks: Blue and up Chokes and armlocks permitted Duration: Up to M7/F7 3 minute matches. Golden Score is applied (M7/F7 2min match, 1 minute Golden Score)	
Veterans Male Weight Divisions: -73kg, -81kg, -90kg, -100kg, +100kg	Veterans Female Weight Divisions: -52kg, -63kg, -78kg, +78kg

Volunteers

All volunteers must register at:

<https://www.hayajudo.com/2026-rmc-open-volunteer-registration/>.

Accommodations

Delta Hotels by Marriott Kingston Waterfront

1 Johnson St.
Kingston, Ontario
K7L 5H7

Book your room at:

<https://www.hayajudo.com/2026-rmc-open-delta>.

Special room rate:

2 queens - \$150+HST/night (Friday and Saturday nights only)

Rooms must be booked by February 15, 2023 to get the group rate.