



جوجيتسو
THE PRESIDENT'S CUP
JIU JITSU

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

UAE JIU-JITSU FEDERATION

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SEASON 2026 COMPETITION REGULATIONS

The Jiu-Jitsu President's Cup is organized as a Men Individual open belt Competition System consisting of:

Chapter 1

Right to Participate

Article (1) : Each participating player should be registered and recognized by the UAEJJF.

Article (2): In order to participate in the JJPC, the players must be registered members of the club, as per the UAEJJF official portal and UAEJJF official website, during the current season before the Nominal Entry deadline.

Chapter 2

Registration

Article (1): All approved players have to register the athletes at www.events.uaejjf.org

Article (2): Athletes must be registered at the UAEJJF Portal under the club they wish to represent. The athletes' data and documents must be up to date.

Article (3): Registrations of Emirati players and son of Emirati mothers are unlimited.

Article (4): There will be two ages divisions (+18 and U21). Players cannot participate on both division at the same round.

Article (5): Expats / Borne in UAE quota is (2) per age division, and they can't be at the same weight category.

2.1 Athlete Eligibility

Article (1): Athletes registered under the Expats / Borne in UAE quota, must reside in the UAE, and present a valid emirates ID, and the one from past year (2025), and birth certificate.

Article (2): Athletes must be registered within the limits of their weight division. They can compete on their weight division, or if overweight only one division above. In this case clubs can have more than four players at the division.

Chapter 3

Weigh-in and Accreditation

Article (1): Time and place for check-in and accreditation are specified at the UAEJF website. Competitors must arrive and check-in within the time limits.

Article (2): Athletes must present their UAEJF accreditation and Emirates ID or PASSPORT at the official weigh-in.

Article (3): Athletes can present themselves multiple times on the scales during the official weigh-ins.

Article (4): Athletes will be moved to a higher weight division if overweight.

Article (5): Athletes must abide by the current UAEJF weigh-in uniform regulations published at events.uaejff.org

Chapter 4

Competition Format

Article (1): The competition will have three rounds.

Article (2): Players will compete for points for their rank and counting points for their club's rank.

Article (3): After the final of the third final round, the best three players of the rank will be the podium winners of the President's Cup.

Article (4): Each round has a percentage value for the final cash prize winners.

- First Round: 25%
- Second Round: 25%
- Third Round: 50%

Article (5): If the player missed any of the rounds, the percentage of the round will be deducted from his cash prize total amount.

Brackets Format

- Best of Three Matches (divisions with 2 players)
- Round-Robin qualification (divisions with 3 - 5 players)
- Combined Pool - Round Robin + Final Bracket (divisions with 6 players)

- Double-Elimination Brackets, repechage from quarterfinals (divisions with 7 to 8 players)
- Single-Elimination Brackets (divisions with 9 players and above)

Tiebreakers are listed as follows:

1. Direct confrontation.
2. Number of submissions.
3. Sum of score in winning matches
4. Fastest submission.
5. Sum of advantages in winning matches.

Sum of penalties in all the matches (lower is better).

Chapter 5

Rank Format

Article (1): In case of a draw in points, the following criteria will be applied.

1. Winner of final round
2. Number of first places
3. Number of submissions
4. Sum of score in winning matches
5. Fastest submission
6. Sum of advantages in winning matches
7. Sum of penalties (lower is better)

Article (2): The duration of individual contests will be as following:

- Adults (+18): 6 minutes
- Adults (-21): 6 minutes
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Article (3): The rank will count points as below:

1st Place: 400 Points

4th Place: 50 Points

2nd Place: 200 Points

5th – 8th Place: 30 Points

3rd Place: 100 Points

Participation Points: 10 Points

Article (4): The final round event, the rank points will be double for players and clubs.

Chapter 5

Awarding

Article (1): The UAEJJF shall provide medals for the podium of the final day only.

Article (2): One cup for the best club overall on both ages together.

Chapter 6

Rules of Uniform

Article (1): All athletes must compete in UAEJJF Approved GI. GIs will be checked prior the fight. It is mandatory for all competitor to have a white kimono and a blue kimono.

Article (2): Each competitor must have the official logo of the club sewn on the back of his GI.

- UAEJJF flag on the right arm exactly as the picture
- UAEJJF logo on the left chest



Article (3): All competitors must have one red belt, and one blue belt with the measurements according to the UAEJJF's uniform regulations.

Article (4): On all advertising spaces, it is strictly prohibited to promote tobacco, alcohol, any substances listed in the doping code, or any product or service contrary to public morals.

- Detailed information is available at www.uaejff.org

Article (5): If one or more athletes fail to follow any of the Gi rules above, they will be penalized for 1 penalty on the current team contest. If the offense persists for the next contest, the athlete shall be penalized again. All competitors must strictly follow the image above.

Chapter 7

VAR Regulations

Article (1): When employing video refereeing, the procedure will be as follows: the mat referee has the option at any point to pause the match and signal for a video review to be displayed to give an additional point of reference in outstanding of previously made decisions.

Article (2): When using the video system, the two VAR referees will be situated in the video replay area. If both referees agree that a decision should be overturned, they will contact the mat referee with their decision, and the mat referee will assign the points accordingly.

7.1 Coach Challenge Procedure

Article (3): If the coach spots a refereeing doubt, he must stand up immediately. The referee shall announce the stoppage of the fight when both competitors are in a stable position. The coach must clearly describe what he wants to challenge. The referee will then check the situation through the Video Referees.

Article (4): If the challenge is positive, the referee decision must be overturned accordingly, and the coach shall keep his right to further request new challenges.

Article (5): If the challenge is negative, the coach shall lose the right to request a new challenge on the current match.

Article (6): The challenge is a tool reserved strictly for the coach. In case a competitor challenges a referee's decision, the athlete shall be penalized.

Chapter 8

Coaching

Code of behavior of coaches as defined in the UAEJFF Regulations will be strictly observed, including the dress code.

Article (1): Coaches are not allowed to speak with the referees during the fights.

Article (2): Coaches are not allowed to speak with the opposing coach during the fights.

Article (3): Coaches are not allowed to use offensive language against their athletes, any other competitor, referees, and staff members.

Article (4): If coaches persist with such behavior, their UAEJF Accreditation will be taken away for the day, and he/she will be taken outside of the competition area, they shall be penalized further.

Chapter 9

Right to Change

Article (1): The UAEJF has the right to implement any modification to the format of the competitions, or to adapt any regulations as it seems suitable. Any changes to the rules/regulations must be informed prior to its applications.