

# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Houston Open Judo Tournament

## A 2008 Texas Judo, Inc. All-Star Event

**SPONSOR:** Diamondback Judo Club **HOSTS:** Friends of Houston Judo, Inc. & Clear Lake City Judo Club

**SANCTION:** Texas Judo, Inc. # 081101

Tournament website: [www.houstonopenjudo.com](http://www.houstonopenjudo.com)

Venue website: [www.thelonestar.org](http://www.thelonestar.org)

Sponsor's website: [www.teamtooke.com/judo.html](http://www.teamtooke.com/judo.html)

### COMPETITION: Saturday, November 1, 2008

**LOCATION:** Lone Star Convention Center  
9055 FM 1484 (Airport Road)  
Conroe, TX 77303

**Host Hotel:** Comfort Inn  
1115 League Line Rd.  
Conroe, TX 77303  
(888) 700-7118 (See page 4 for details.)

**ELIGIBILITY:** Must be current member of USJI, USJA, or USJF.  
Proof of current membership **must be** presented at registration or copy of current card should be sent with pre-registration.  
USA Judo (USJI) and USJA membership applications will be available at Registration.

**RULES:** Current IJF rules (modified).  
Modified mats.  
No Armlocks (Kansetsu-Waza) allowed in any Junior or Novice competition.  
No Chokes (Shime-Waza) allowed in junior competition for athletes under 13 years of age.  
Golden Score will be in effect in case of a tie at the end of regulation match time.

**ENTRY FEE:** **\$30.00** per division (**\$35.00** for registration received after 10/17/08)  
**\$15.00** for additional divisions (**\$20.00** for registration received after 10/17/08)  
**\$25.00** per person (**\$50.00** per team) for Kata competition (**\$30.00** and **\$60.00** after 10/17/08)

For families with two (2) or more competitors from the same family (same household), first player pays full amount. Each additional family member pays **\$20.00** early (**\$25.00** after 10/17/08).  
Please mail all entries together.

Entry fee will be waived for any officiating Referee (or member of Referee's family) who elects to compete.

**Mail pre-registration with payment payable to:**

Friends of Houston Judo, Inc. ■ 15814 Champion Forest Dr. PMB 154 ■ Spring, TX 77379

**SCORING:** 2 Competitors: Best 2 out of 3  
3 - 4 Competitors: Round Robin  
5 or more Competitors: Modified Double Elimination

**MATCH TIMES:** 3 minutes - Junior 1, Junior 2, Senior Novice, Master and Master Novice divisions  
5 minutes - Youth and Senior divisions

**SPECTATOR FEE:** **\$2.00** for Adults and Teens (16+).  
**Free Admission** for children 15 and under, Coaches and members of Friends of Houston Judo, Inc.

## REGISTRATION/WEIGH-IN:

### Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at the Comfort Inn

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. All Divisions

### Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at the Lone Star Convention Center

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Kata, Master and Master Novice Divisions

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Junior Divisions: Junior 1 (ages 5 to 12), Junior 2 (ages 13 to 16) and Youth (ages 17 to 19)

7:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon Senior Novice and Senior Divisions

## COMPETITION SCHEDULE:

### Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at the Lone Star Convention Center

TBA	Referees / Coaches Meeting
8:30 a.m.	Kata Competition
9:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies & Junior Roll Call
10:00 a.m.	Junior, Youth, Master and Master Novice Competitions
1:00 p.m.	Senior Novice and Senior Competitions (will not start before 1:00 p.m.)

## CATEGORIES / DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION

A sole contestant in a division will have the following options: 1) remain in his/her division as winner, 2) move up to next heavier weight in same age division or 3) move up to same weight in next (higher) age division. Juniors must have written permission from parent. All parents are asked to complete the "Uncontested Competitor Options" form on page 7.

A competitor who ***voluntarily*** enters an age or weight division that is higher than his/her normal division ***must abide by the rules of the higher division.***

Competitors may enter **1 division per Category or 2 divisions if the second division is in a different Category.** The competitor must also meet the qualifications of the additional division (age, weight, rank, etc.). Example: Junior and Senior; Senior and Masters.

### **CATEGORY: KATA (Junior and Senior)**

Nage-no-kata and Katame-no-kata (Male, Female or Mixed Teams): A team may include a junior member for the senior division, but a senior member may not enter the junior division.

### **CATEGORY: JUNIOR (All Weights Will be in Pounds)**

**Junior 1. All Ranks. No Armlocks. No Chokes. 3-Minute match.**

**Boys and Girls: 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, (Light, Middle, Heavy in each age group)**

**Junior 2. All Ranks. No Armlocks. Chokes allowed. 3-Minute match.**

**Boys and Girls: 13-14, 15-16, (Light, Middle, Heavy in each age group)**

**Must complete the "Certificate Regarding Non-Black Belt Contestants" (see page 7)**

**Junior Youth. All Ranks. Armlocks and Chokes allowed. 5-Minute match.**

**Female (17 – 19): 120, 140, 160, +160 lbs.**

**Male (17 – 19): 120, 140, 160, 180, 200, +200 lbs.**

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## CATEGORY: SENIOR

**Senior Novice: White to Green Ranks Only. No Armlocks. Chokes allowed. 3-Minute match.**

**Sr. Novice Female:** 52kg, 63kg, 70kg, +70kg

**Sr. Novice Male:** 55kg, 66kg, 73kg, 81kg, 90kg, +90kg

Competitors must be at least 15 years old.

Ranks allowed: Below senior and junior Sankyu: white, Rokyū (yellow), Gokyu (orange) and Yonkyū (green).

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**Senior: Brown and Black Belt Ranks only. Armlocks & Chokes allowed regardless of competitor's age. 5-Minute match.**

**Sr. Female:** 44kg, 48kg, 52kg, 57kg, 63kg, 70kg, 78kg, +78kg

**Sr. Male:** 55kg, 60kg, 66kg, 73kg, 81kg, 90kg, 100kg, +100kg

Competitors must be at least 15 years old.

Ranks allowed: senior Brown and Black and junior equivalents of Sankyu (blue), Nikyu (purple) and USJA Ikkyū (brown).

**All Sr. competitors under Shodan rank must complete the "Certificate Regarding Non-black Belt Contestants" (see page 7).**

## CATEGORY: MASTERS

**Masters Novice: White to Green Ranks Only. No Armlocks. Chokes allowed. 3-Minute match.**

**Masters Novice Women (30+ years):** Divisions to be determined at registration.

**Masters Novice Men (30+ years):** 30 to 39, 40 to 49, 50 to 59, 60+. Light, Medium, and Heavy.

Ranks allowed: Below senior Sankyu: white, Rokyū (yellow), Gokyu (orange) and Yonkyū (green).

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**Masters: Brown and Black Belt ranks only. Armlocks & Chokes allowed. 3-Minute match.**

**Masters Women (30+ years):** Divisions determined at registration.

**Masters Men (30+ years):** 30 to 39, 40 to 49, 50+. Light, Medium, and Heavy.

**All Masters competitors under Shodan rank Must complete the "Certificate Regarding Non-Black Belt Contestants" (see page 7)**

**AWARDS:** Medals for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each division. Medals will be awarded as divisions are completed. Junior and Senior Club trophies awarded to clubs with the most points: 5 points (1<sup>st</sup>), 3 points (2<sup>nd</sup>) and 1 point (3<sup>rd</sup>). In case of a tie, the club with the most 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes wins.

**SPECIAL AWARDS:** Junior and Senior Male and Female Best Technique Awards  
Junior and Senior Male and Female Sportsmanship Awards

**EVENT PROGRAM:** Every competitor will receive a tournament program; additional programs available for \$3.00 each.

**CONCESSIONS:** Spectrum Catering will sell food on-site. **Personal coolers are not allowed inside Convention Center.**

**MATS:** 3 Tatami Mats; 8 X 8 modified.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Please email or call Sheila or Raymond to volunteer. Referees and Volunteers will receive a lunch voucher and a tournament T-shirt.

**REFEREE MEETING: (TBA)** A Referees' meeting, with the opportunity to test for "local/regional" referee, will be held prior to the start of the tournament. For details please contact Meredith Commender at [mscjudo@yahoo.com](mailto:mscjudo@yahoo.com) or Jeff Miller at [jefmlrjudo@yahoo.com](mailto:jefmlrjudo@yahoo.com) if you are from Louisiana.

**SUPPORT:** Advertising and sponsorship opportunities are available in support of the tournament. Visit the tournament website or contact Sheila or Raymond for more information.

**LOST & FOUND:** If you happen to lose or find something at the tournament, please contact Raymond or Sheila.

**Tournament Director:** Raymond Williams (713) 248-0089 (cell) [rawilliams@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rawilliams@sbcglobal.net)  
**Assistant Tournament Director:** Sheila White Godbold (713) 826-5874 (cell) [swgodbold@earthlink.net](mailto:swgodbold@earthlink.net)  
**Tournament Website:** [www.houstonopenjudo.com](http://www.houstonopenjudo.com)

**The Tournament Directors reserve the right to make any changes they deem necessary to insure the safety of and fairness to all competitors. The decisions of the tournament directors are final.**

**ENTRY FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT SIGNED WAIVER AND PROOF OF CURRENT MEMBERSHIP.**

### HOTEL INFORMATION

**Host Hotel:** - **Comfort Inn - 1115 League Line Rd** ■ Conroe, TX 77303 ■ (888) 700-7118 ■ I-45 Exit 91  
20 rooms at discounted rate of \$79.00 + tax per night for 2 - 4 Adults / 2 Queen beds; non-smoking. **Deadline: October 1, 2008.** After deadline, hotel will honor \$79 rate if space is available. **Mention code: JUDO TOURNAMENT**

### OVERFLOW HOTELS:

**La Quinta Inn & Suites - 4006 Sprayberry Lane** ■ Conroe, TX 77303 ■ (936) 228-0790 ■ I-45 Exit 91. 15 rooms at discounted rate of \$89.00 + tax per night for 2 - 4 Adults / 2 Queen beds; non-smoking. **Deadline: October 16, 2008.**  
**Mention Code: JUDO TOURNAMENT.**

If you call the national La Quinta number (800.531.5900) or book on-line ([www.LQ.com](http://www.LQ.com)), you will receive the USA Judo rate of \$84.00 + tax for 2 - 4 Adults / 2 Queen beds. Use the code **USAJUD**.

**Supreme Inn & Suites - 4001 Sprayberry Lane** ■ Conroe, TX 77303 ■ (936) 890-2600 ■ I-45 Exit 91  
Rate: \$59.95 + tax per night for 1 - 4 Adults / 2 Queen beds or 1 King bed.

### DIRECTIONS

#### To Lone Star Convention Center:

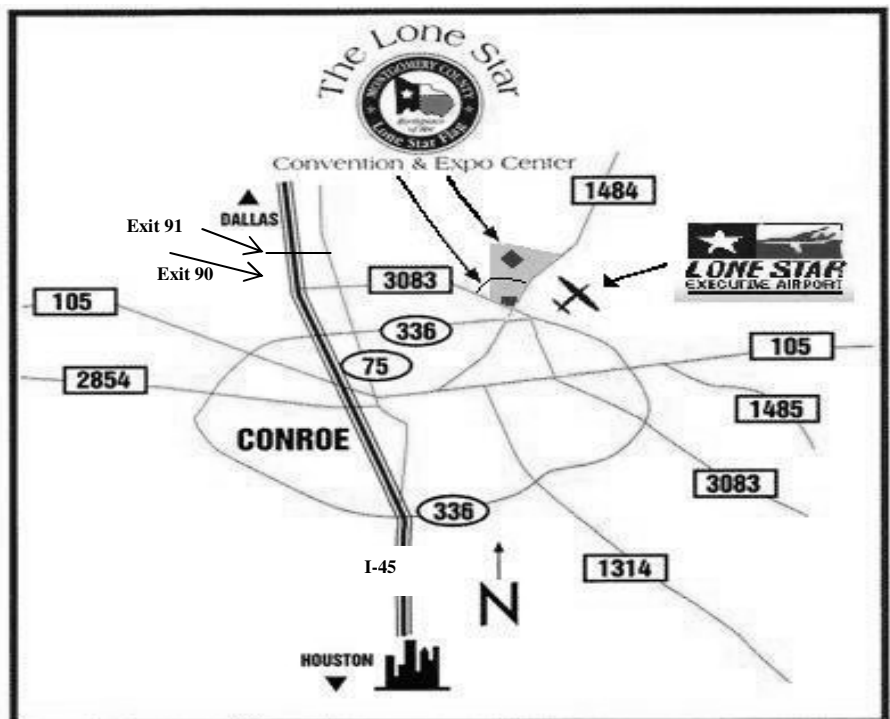
Take I-45.  
Take Exit 90 (FM 3083 / Teas Nursery).  
Go east 3.5 miles to FM 1484 Road (Airport Road).  
Turn left (north). Convention Center is first building on the left.

#### To Conroe Comfort Inn:

Take I-45.  
Take Exit 91 (League Line Rd).  
Hotel is on the right, across from the Kettle restaurant.

#### To Convention Center from Hotel:

Turn right on League Line Rd.  
Turn right (south) at N. Frazier/ TX-75  
Turn left (east) onto FM 3083.  
Go 3 miles to FM 1484  
Turn left (north.)  
Convention Center is first building on the left.



# ENTRY FORM

## 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOUSTON OPEN JUDO TOURNAMENT

A 2008 Texas Judo, Inc. All-Star Event  
Saturday, November 1, 2008

**For Tournament Staff use only**

Verified: JI/JA/JF Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Verified: Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Waiver:  Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple Fees on 1 check:

**OFFICIAL WEIGHT:** \_\_\_\_\_ lbs./kg.

**DIVISION:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Male  Female  Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ USJI/USJA/USJF Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle the Appropriate Division - (One Entry Form per Category, please.)**

CATEGORY	DIVISIONS									
<b>KATA</b>	Nage No Kata	Jr. or Sr. _____		Partner's Name & Role: _____ / _____						
	Katame No Kata	Jr. or Sr. _____		Partner's Name & Role: _____ / _____						
<b>JUNIOR</b>	Junior 1 Girls	5 – 6	7 – 8	9 – 10	11 – 12					
	Junior 1 Boys	5 – 6	7 – 8	9 – 10	11 – 12	Approximate weight: _____ (lbs.) (For planning purposes only.)				
	Junior 2 Girls	13 – 14	15 - 16							
	Junior 2 Boys	13 – 14	15 - 16							
	Jr. Youth Female	120 lbs	140 lbs	160 lbs	+160 lbs					
	Jr. Youth Male	120 lbs	140 lbs	160 lbs	180 lbs	200 lbs	+200 lbs			
<b>SENIOR</b>	Sr. Novice Women	52kg	63kg	70kg	+70kg					
	Sr. Novice Men	55kg	66kg	73kg	81kg	90kg	+90kg			
	Sr. Women	44kg	48kg	52kg	57kg	63kg	70kg	78kg	+78kg	
	Sr. Men	55kg	60kg	66kg	73kg	81kg	90kg	100kg	+100kg	
<b>MASTERS</b>	Novice Women	Age: _____		Approximate weight: _____ (lbs.) (For planning purposes only.)						
	Novice Men	Age: _____								
	Women	Age: _____								
	Men	Age: _____								

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Please mail registration to:</b></p> <p>Friends of Houston Judo, Inc. 15814 Champion Forest Dr. PMB 154 Spring, TX 77379</p> <p><b>Make check/money order payable to Friends of Houston Judo, Inc.</b></p>	<p>\$30 Pre-Registration Postmarked on or before 10/17/08 \$35 Late Registration Postmarked on or after 10/18/08</p> <p>For more information: <a href="http://www.houstonopenjudo.com">www.houstonopenjudo.com</a> <a href="mailto:swgodbold@earthlink.net">swgodbold@earthlink.net</a> <a href="mailto:rawilliams@sbcglobal.net">rawilliams@sbcglobal.net</a></p>
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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 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Houston Open Judo Tournament, and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, Texas Judo, Inc., Friends of Houston Judo, Inc., Diamondback Judo Club, Clear Lake City Judo Club, the Lone Star Convention Center, County of Montgomery and Conroe La Quinta Inn and Suites, Comfort Inn and Supreme Inn & Suites, 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. United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, Texas Judo, Inc., Friends of Houston Judo, Inc., Diamondback Judo Club, Clear Lake City Judo Club, the Lone Star Convention Center, County of Montgomery and Conroe La Quinta Inn and Suites, Comfort Inn and Supreme Inn & Suites, 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 (please print 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 (please print name)                      Parent/Guardian's Signature                      Date

## CERTIFICATE REGARDING NON-BLACK BELT CONTESTANTS

(Required for ALL competitors under the rank of Shodan in ALL divisions)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Judo Instructor who has been awarded the  
(Name of Instructor)

Judo rank of Shodan or higher, recognized by United States Judo, Inc., hereby certify that

\_\_\_\_\_, although not having been awarded the  
(Name of Competitor)

Judo rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in Judo to compete in this competition.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Judo Instructor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judo Instructor's Rank

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*A copy of my proof of rank (rank certificate, USA JUDO membership card having the verification symbol "(V)" printed following the rank, or rank card issued by USJA or USJF National offices) is attached.*

## UNCONTESTED COMPETITOR OPTIONS

(Required for Junior Divisions)

In the event that I am uncontested in my weight division, I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of Competitor)

choose one of the following options:

- Remain uncontested.
- Move up to next heavier weight in same age division.
- Move up same weight in next (higher) age division.

**Contestant and Parent/Guardian (if contestant is under 18 years old), must sign below:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

If contestant is under the age of 18 years, the contestant's parents or legal guardian must complete this document if the parent or legal guardian is not attending the Championship.

**I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor.**  
I will not be in attendance at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Houston Open Judo Tournament 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