



Judo Referee Pathway

The referees are the guards of the physical, cultural, and philosophical expression of Judo. The role of the referee is to keep the match fair and safe by awarding the correct score or applying the correct sanction.

For more information about refereeing in Alberta, evaluation dates, and registration deadlines, speak with a sensei or member of the Judo Alberta Referee Committee.

Before You Begin:

Minimum rank: sankyu
Attend Introductory Referee Clinic
Officiate at club, zone, or regional tournaments
Minimum referee uniform: white shirt, black or dark tie, grey pants, black socks.



Provincial A

Officiate regularly for all age categories at provincial tournaments such as Provincial Championships.

Read current judo rules on the IJF website in the SOR.



Provincial B

Attend referee seminars in Alberta.

Officiate regularly at Junior events and begin U16 and U18 events.



Provincial C

Officiate junior events such as Katsuta Kup or Senda Juniors

Full Referee uniform:
Minimum uniform
+ black blazer



National C

Referee Interprovincially

Sask Open
Manitoba Open



National B

Attend Event Referee Clinics

Edmonton International
Symposium



National A

Referee
National Tournaments

Quebec Open
Pacific International
Edmonton International
Ontario Open



International

Referee International
Tournaments

Pan Am Events



Continental

Referee Major Tournaments

Canadian Nationals
Elite Nationals
US Open



Referee IJF Major
Tournaments

Grand Slams
World Championships
The Olympics

