

TSHWANE JUDO ASSOCIATION

EVENT ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS 2025



EVENTS SUMMARY

The following sets out events hosted by TJA (or another district) and indicates whether the event is compulsory to attend or not:

EVENT	EVENT	DATE	ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT	APPLICABLE TO	FEE
National Table Official Course	#1	Saturday, 25 January 2025	Optional	TJA Members, Parents and Guardians	TBC
National Referee Course	#2	Saturday, 25 January 2025	Optional – Recommended for Coaches and Referees	TJA Members, Parents and Guardians	TBC
Family Referee Day – TJA & EJA	#3	Saturday, 01 February 2025	Optional – Recommended for Family and Judokas	TJA Members and Family - Per person - Per family	R100 R200
TJAcademy Day	#4	Friday, 14 February 2025	TJAcademy Qualification 2025 (1 out of 2)	TJA Judokas – 13 Years & Older	R200
TJAcademy Day Information Session	#5	Friday, 14 February 2025	Optional – strongly recommended for parents and guardians	TJA Members, Parents and Guardians	FREE
TJAcademy Day	#6	Saturday, 01 March 2025	TJAcademy Qualification 2025 (2 out of 2) Masakhane Team Qualification Event (Mandatory)	TJA Judokas	R200
TJA Squad Training	#7	Thursday, 13 March 2025	Mandatory	TJA Judokas – Qualified for TJA Masakhane Teams	FREE
Masakhane Team Event	#8	Saturday, 15 March 2025	Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	FREE

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TJA First Aid Course	#9	Saturday, 12 April 2025	Optional – Recommended for all TJA coaches	TJA Members	TBC
TJAcademy Day TJA Trials: SA Open & National Schools	#10	Saturday, 24 May 2025	Mandatory – Qualifying Event for SA Open and National Schools 2025 Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	TJA Judokas Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	R275
TJA Schools Grand Slam	#11	Saturday, 26 June 2025	Optional Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	TJA Judokas – 12 Years & Younger Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	R275 FREE
TJA Squad Training	#12	Thursday, 29 May 2025	Mandatory – Distribution of SA Open and National Schools Letters	TJA Judokas – Qualified for SA Open and National Schools	FREE
TJA Squad Training	#13	Thursday, 05 June 2025	Optional	TJA Judokas – Qualified for SA Open and National Schools	FREE
TJA Squad Training	#14	Thursday, 12 June 2025	Optional	TJA Judokas – Qualified for SA Open and National Schools	FREE
TJA Squad Training	#15	Saturday, 21 June 2025	Mandatory	TJA Judokas – Qualified for SA Open and National Schools	FREE

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TJA Schools Grand Slam	#16	Saturday, 26 June 2025	Optional	TJA Judokas – 12 Years & Younger	R275
			Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	FREE
TJA Referee and Table Official Seminar	#17	Saturday, 09 August 2025	Optional – Recommended for coaches, referees and table officials	TJA Members	R250
TJAcademy Day	#18	Saturday, 23 August 2025	TJAcademy Qualification 2026 (1 out of 4) Masakhane Team Qualification Event (Mandatory)	TJA Judokas	R200
TJA Schools Grand Slam	#19	Saturday, 23 August 2025	Optional	TJA Judokas – 12 Years & Younger	R275
			Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	FREE
Family Referee Day	#20	Saturday, 30 August 2025	Optional – Recommended for Families and Judokas	TJA Members and Family - Per person - Per family	R100 R200
			Mandatory - All Provincial Referee Upgrading Applicants	Provincial Referee Upgrading Applicants	
TJA Squad Training	#21	Thursday, 11 September 2025	Mandatory	TJA Judokas – Qualified for TJA Masakhane Teams	FREE

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Masakhane Team Event	#22	Saturday, 13 September 2025	Brown Belt Grading – Volunteer Hours Event	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	FREE
TJAcademy Day	#23	Saturday, 04 October 2025	TJAcademy Qualification 2026 (2 out of 4) Mandatory – Brown Belt Grading Applicants	TJA Judokas Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	R200
TJA Squad Training	#24	Thursday, 16 October 2025	Mandatory – Brown Belt Grading Applicants	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	FREE
TJA Brown Belt Grading	#25	Saturday, 25 October 2025	Mandatory – Brown Belt Grading Applicants	Brown Belt Grading 2025 Applicants	R450
Tshwane Judo Awards	#FINAL	Saturday, 15 November 2025	Optional – Recommended to all TJA Family	TJA Members and Family	TBC

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TJA APPROVED PARTICIPATION EXEMPTIONS

Tshwane Judo acknowledges that judokas and members may have other commitments due to work, school activities or sometimes family emergencies or illness may occur. Consequently, Tshwane Judo will implement a minimum attendance of certain events as to qualify for participation in for example the TJA Trials or South African Open.

Exemptions should be applied for by members through their respective clubs and shall be considered by the TJA Executive Members on a case-by-case basis, i.e., exemption is not automatically granted. Clubs should direct the request for participation exemption to the TJA Technical Chairperson, with the TJA Secretary and TJA Chairperson copied in the mail.

Accordingly, the TJA Executive Members shall also consider granting exemption of participation in the following cases:

- Due to injury or illness, as supported by a medical certificate.
- Due to compulsory school or university activities, as supported by a letter from the respective governing body.
- Due to school or university examinations, as supported by an official exam table issued by the respective governing body.

Attendance or participation in other sporting activities (e.g., wrestling, rugby etc) will not be considered by the TJA Executive Members unless it represents a compulsory school or university activity.

Attendance or participation in other sporting activities on the day of the TJA event, when participation exemptions were granted due to injury, illness or school/ university examinations shall be considered a breach of the conditions under which the exemption is granted.

Note, should the TJA Executive Committee be made aware of or become aware of any dishonesty from a member of whom received participation exemption and breached the conditions under which the participation exemption has been granted, shall be subject to disciplinary action.

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TJACADEMY QUALIFICATION 2025 RULE

Tshwane Judo will host a series of TJAcademy Days during the course of 1 January 2025 till 30 June 2025. The TJAcademy Days will serve as qualification to participate in the TJA SA Open and National Schools Trials.

For this period, Tshwane Judo will provide two (2) qualification events, being event #4 and #6. Accordingly, TJA Judokas who wish to participate in the TJA Trials (Event #11) **must attend a minimum of one (1) of the two (2) qualification events.**

Failure to attend a minimum of one (1) qualification event will result in the TJA Judoka **not being allowed to participate in the TJA Trials (Event #10)** and accordingly not qualify to participate in the Judo South Africa Open Championships and National Schools 2025.

All TJA Judokas who have qualified for participation in the Judo South Africa Open Championships and National Schools **must attend a minimum of three (3) out of four (4)** of the following TJA Squad Trainings:

- TJA Squad Training **(Event #12) - Mandatory**
- TJA Squad Training **(Event #13) – Optional**
- TJA Squad Training **(Event #14) – Optional**
- TJA Squad Training **(Event #15) - Mandatory**

TJACADEMY QUALIFICATION 2026 RULE

Tshwane Judo will host a series of TJAcademy Days during the course of 1 July 2025 till 30 June 2026. The TJAcademy Days will serve as qualification to participate in the TJA SA Open and National Schools Trials.

For this period, Tshwane Judo will provide four (4) qualification events being event #18 and #23 as well as two (2) events in the 2026 calendar year. Accordingly, TJA Judokas who wish to participate in the TJA Trials 2026 **must attend a minimum of three (3) of the four (4) qualification events.**

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Failure to attend a minimum of three (3) qualification events will result in the TJA Judoka **not being allowed to participate in the TJA Trials 2026** and accordingly not qualify to participate in the Judo South Africa Open Championships and National Schools 2026.

MASAKHANE TEAMS QUALIFICATION 2025 RULE

Tshwane Judo will host two (2) of TJAcademy Days that will serve as qualification to represent TJA in the Masakhane Team Events (Gauteng Tournaments) in 2025.

TJA Judokas who wish to participate in the Masakhane Team Events must attend the following TJAcademy Days respectively:

- TJAcademy Day **(Event #6)** for Masakhane Team Event – Saturday, 15 March 2025
- TJAcademy Day **(Event #18)** for Masakhane Team Event – Saturday, 13 September 2025

All TJA Judokas who have qualified must attend the following TJA Squad Trainings for the respective event:

- TJA Squad Training **(Event #8)** for Masakhane Team Event – Saturday, 15 March 2025
- TJA Squad Training **(Event #21)** for Masakhane Team Event – Saturday, 13 September 2025

BROWN BELT GRADING – VOLUNTEER HOURS

Tshwane Judo will host several tournaments, whether district or provincial, which will provide all Brown Belt 2025 Applicants to accumulate hours by volunteering as a referee or table official at these events.

The qualifying events are as follows:

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| • TJA Schools Grand Slam (Event #7) | District Open Hours |
| • Masakhane Team Event (Event #9) | Provincial Hours |
| • TJA Trials: SA Open & National Schools (Event #11) | District Closed Hours |

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- TJA Schools Grand Slam (**Event #16**)
- TJA Schools Grand Slam (**Event #19**)
- Masakhane Team Event (**Event #22**)

District Open Hours

District Open Hours

Provincial Hours

*Please refer to the **TJA BROWN BELT GRADING 2025 Information** for detailed information regarding the requirements for volunteer hours.*

All Brown Belt 2025 Applicants must attend the following two events to be considered for the TJA Brown Belt Grading (**Event #25**):

- TJAcademy Day (**Event #23**)
- TJA Squad Training (**Event #24**)