



# 87th Annual San Fernando Valley Judo Club Invitational Kohaku Tournament and Scrimmage

## Information Sheet

Date	Sunday, January 31, 2016: Tournament: 9:00 am (White Belts up to 16 years old)		
Location	San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center 12953 Branford Street, Pacoima, California 91331		
Special Announcements	THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE (1) MAT FOR KOHAKU COMPETITION and one (1) mat for SCRIMMAGE. All divisions will compete in Kohaku on mat #1, then be moved to mat #2 for second round scrimmage.		
Registration, Weigh Ins, Divisions & Match Times	Sunday, January 31, 2016		
	White Belts up to 16 years old:	8:00 am	2.5 minute matches
	Yellow Belts up to 16 years old:	10:30 am	2.5 minute matches
	Orange Belts up to 16 years old:	11:30 am	2.5 minute matches
	Green, Blue, Purple & Brown Belts up to 16 years old:	12:30 pm	2.5 minute matches
	Special Needs - All Ages	1:00 pm	2.5 minutes matches
	Seinen Black Belts:	2:00 pm	3 minute matches
	Masters (35-44, 45-54, 55+):	3:00 pm	2 minute matches
	Seinen Novice & Brown Belts:	4:00 pm	3 minute matches
	NO COMPLETE DISROBING WILL BE PERMITTED DURING WEIGH INS. Tshirt & shorts please.		
Pooling	Individuals:	Kohaku:	Pooling will be determined by Age Group, Rank, then Lightest weight to Heaviest. Divisions with 5 or less will be Round Robin method.
		Male Categories:	Yonen: White, Yellow, Orange, Green, Blue/Purple Shonen: White&Yellow, Orange&Green, Blue&Purple&Jr.Brown Seinen: Novice, Brown, Black Masters: 35-44, 45-54, 55+ (Brown/Black)
		Female Categories:	Yonen: White, Yellow, Orange, Green, Blue/Purple Shonen: White&Yellow, Orange&Green, Blue&Purple&Jr.Brown Seinen: Novice, Brown, Black Masters: 35-44, 45-54, 55+ (Brown/Black)
		Special Needs Categories:	To be Determined on site.
Eligibility	All entrants must be current paid-up members of one of the following: US Judo Federation, US Judo Association, USA Judo, Inc. You must present a current membership card.		
Awards	Trophies will be presented to the first, second & third places in each individual division.		
Entry Fee	\$25.00 fee (non-refundable) to all contestants; \$15 for each additional immediate family member, \$15.00 for each additional division. There will be no entry fee for Women (17+) and Masters divisions.		
Sanction	USJF Sanction #16-01-19		
Officiated by	Nanka Yudanshakai		
Tournament Directors	Kenji Couey & Moises Barrera		
Host & Sponsor	San Fernando Valley Judo Club		

The Tournament Director(s) reserves the right to make any necessary changes in the best interest of the sport and the contestants. Coaches, Instructors and Parents will have an opportunity to review the categories and confirm their child's/athlete's suitability for participation. A tournament T-shirt and Hot Dog lunch will be provided for each contestant.



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## RULES

Current IJF Contest Rules will be used with the following modifications:

- a. Pre-2003 Injury Rules for all divisions.
- b. The CARE system will not be used and there will be 3 referees on the mat.
- c. No Shime-waza (chokes) allowed for ages 12 and under. If a 12 years old or younger contestant is pooled with 13 years old or older contestants, choking techniques will not be allowed in any matches with an 12 years old or younger participant.
- d. No Kansetsu-waza (arm locks) will be allowed for ages 17 and under and for any novice.
- e. No double knee drop techniques allowed for ages 12 and under.
- f. Juniors competing in senior divisions are subject to senior rules.
- g. White Judo Gis ONLY!!! No blue gis please.
- h. Golden Score: Yonen and Shonen 2:00 minutes; Seinen 3:00 minutes; Masters 1:00 minute  
If winner is not determined after golden score, hiki wake will be awarded.
- i. No rank below Sankyu will be permitted in the Brown belt, Black belt & Masters divisions.
- j. Pre-2009 rules for judogi control will be used in all divisions.
- k. Contest area will be 6 x 6 meters.
- l. Safety areas for the tournament will be 3 meters. Safety areas for the Scrimmage will be 2 meters, therefore, therefore we will use article 9 rulings of the 2003 IJF rules regarding the valid areas of competition.
- m. **ARTICLE 9 - Location (Valid Areas)** The contest shall be fought in the contest area. Any technique applied when one or both contestants are outside the contest area shall not be recognized. For example if one contestant has at least one of his feet, hands or knees outside the contest area while standing or more than half of his body outside the contest area while doing Sutemi-waza, he shall be considered as being outside the contest area. Exceptions: a) When one contestant throws his opponent outside the contest area, but he himself stays within the contest area long enough for the effectiveness of the technique to be clearly apparent the technique shall be recognized. When a throw is started with both contestants inside the contest area, but during the action, the contestant being thrown moves outside the contest area the action may be considered for point scoring purposes if the throwing action continues uninterrupted and the contestant executing the throw stays within the contest area long enough for the effectiveness of the action to be clearly apparent. b) In Newaza the action is valid and may continue so long as either contestant has some part of his body touching the contest area. c) If during the course of an attack such as Ouchi-gari or Kouchi-gari the foot or leg of the thrower leaves the contest area and moves over the tatami in the safety area, the action shall be considered valid for scoring purposes so long as the thrower does not place any weight upon the foot or leg while it is outside the contest area.  
**APPENDIX Article 9 - Location (Valid Areas)** In the case of Osaekomi on the edge if the one part of the contestant still touching the contest area becomes airborne (i.e. it is raised up and loses contact with the Tatami) the Referee must announce Mate. As the red danger zone is part of the contest area, any contestant whose feet are still touching the red danger zone in the standing position shall be considered as being within the contest area. When performing Sutemi-waza, a throw is considered valid if the thrower has one half or more of his body within the contest area. (Therefore, neither foot of the thrower shall leave the contest area before his back or hips touch the Tatami.) Once the contest has started, the contestants may only leave the competition area if given permission to do so by the Referee. Permission will only be given in very exceptional circumstances, such as the necessity to change a Judogi which does not comply with Article 3 or which has become damaged or soiled.
- n. To ensure safety for the scrimmage matches due to the reduced safety area size, "mate" calls may occur much earlier than normal to prevent the athletes from going off the competition area. Referees must not hesitate to interrupt the action to protect the athletes.



### OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT T-SHIRT

**\$20 each**

**or 2 for \$30**

(1 FREE T-shirt to each competitor of this tournament)



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## Application for Kohaku Tournament

USJF Sanction # 16-01-19

SEX	OFFICIAL WT	AGE	RANK	OFFICIAL SIG	REG STAMP

Please print or type. Do not use initials.

Name of Competitor:

FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_

Male     Female    Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank/Belt Color: \_\_\_\_\_  
DAY    MONTH    YEAR

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND STREET

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

FAX \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

USJF# \_\_\_\_\_ USJA# \_\_\_\_\_ USA Judo # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Judo club \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Head Instructor \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE & E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND STREET

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**IF ASSISTANCE/ACCOMMODATION IS NEEDED (Check appropriate box):**

- Vision Loss / Blindness                       Hearing Loss / Deafness

Type of assistance/accommodation requested or name of person assisting: \_\_\_\_\_

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For Official Use Only:

- \$25 for 1 division     plus \$15 for Second division     \$15 for Immediate Family Member

Total Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Immediate Family Member Competing

- Cash     Check; Check # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Immediate Family Member Competing



**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, in any Judo tournament, practice, clinic, and related events and activities ("Activity") of the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Nanka Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., San Fernando Valley Judo Club, and the San Fernando Valley Japanese-American Community Center**, I agree:

1. I understand the nature of Judo activities and believe I am qualified to participate in such Activity. I also understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.

2. I further acknowledge 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. I acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, illness or disease, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to 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, illness, disease, permanent disability, or death.

5. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Nanka Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., San Fernando Valley Judo Club, and the San Fernando Valley Japanese-American Community Center**, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, officers, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, legal guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "Releasees", from any and all litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs on account of injury, illness, disease, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS 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/LEGAL GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW. I INTEND THIS TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THAT THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.**

Participant

Participant's Signature

Date

**FOR PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE  
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/legal 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 including litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs which may incur as the result of the minor child's 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/Legal Guardian

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date