

Proposals to the JJIF Technical Congress

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1. TC Agenda point 4 - Weight categories

In view of the IOC requirements to ensure an equal number of weight categories for men and women, an adjustment must be made in the existing weight categories used by the JJIF for the events organized under its authority (World and Continental Championships, JJIF Ranking list events, Multi-sport events where the JJIF participates).

For the Seniors and Juniors age categories, we currently have 7 weight categories for men and 5 weight categories for women. We propose to reduce the number of male categories by one and to increase the number of female categories by one, such as to have 6 male and 6 female categories.

For Aspirants, we currently have 8 male and 8 female categories. No changes are necessary.

For Cadets, we currently have 9 male and 9 female categories. No changes are necessary.

Old weight categories	
Men	Women
-56 kg	-49 kg
-62 kg	-55 kg
-69 kg	-62 kg
-77 kg	-70 kg
-85 kg	+70 kg
-94 kg	
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Proposal 1	
Men	Women
-60 kg	-48 kg
-69 kg	-55 kg
-77 kg	-62 kg
-85 kg	-70 kg
-94 kg	-80 kg
+94 kg	+80 kg

Proposal 2	
-60 kg	-48 kg
-68 kg	-54 kg
-76 kg	-61 kg
-85 kg	-67 kg
-95 kg	-75 kg
+95 kg	+75 kg

2. TC Agenda point 5 - Age categories

In order to ensure that the female categories will have sufficient participants, of a high enough quality as to be displayed in the Multi-sport events, we believe that the age of the seniors must be lowered by one year. The participation of women in the Senior category is quite low and the organization of the World Championship for Seniors, Juniors and Aspirants at the same time will decrease this number even more, as, usually, the Junior women also compete in Seniors and this will no longer be possible (being organized in one event).

I would like to refer to the previous proposal of the German Ju-Jitsu Federation to adjust the age categories for a 2-year gap (U20, U18, U16, U14, U12), instead of the current 3-year gap (U21, U18, U15, U12).

Old age categories		
Seniors		21 years and older
Juniors	U21	18/19/20 years old
Aspirants	U18	15/16/17 years old
Cadets	U15	12/13/14 years old
Children	U12	10-11 years old
Children	U10	8-9 years old

Proposed age categories		
Seniors		20 years and older
Juniors	U20	18/19 years old
Aspirants	U18	16/17 years old
Cadets I	U16	14/15 years old
Cadets II	U14	12/13 years old
Children I	U12	10/11 years old
Children II	U10	8/9 years old

This is not a proposal of the JJIF Fighting Committee, as a body, due to the fact that the members have not yet been appointed. It is, however, a proposal that I discussed unofficially with different persons involved in our competitions (athletes, coaches and referees).

Thank you for your attention.

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