



KATA COMMISSION REPORT

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KATA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021

Lisbon, Portugal, October 26/27 2021

The World Kata Championships took place in Lisbon, Portugal after a year-long hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

For this edition, a U-23 division has been added in Nage-no-kata and Katame-no-kata. In U23, the pairs had the opportunity to participate in the 2 kata offered.

Total participation:

Nage-no-kata: 7 pairs, 6 nations

Katame-no-kata: 4 pairs, 4 nations

Remarks: 3 pairs from 3 nations took part in the 2 katas.

Number of participating nations: 24 – 98 pairs

EJU = 17 nations (75 pairs) - PJC = 4 nations (14 pairs)

JUA = 3 nations (9 pairs) - AJU = 0 nation - OJU = 0 nation

JUDO KATA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Lisbon, Portugal October 26-27, 2021

Position	Country	Medals	Final	Participation	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	FRA	5	8	12	3	2		1	1	1
2	JPN	3	3	3	3					
3	NED	1	2	5	1			1		
4	ITA	1	3	9		1		1	1	
5	RJF	2	3	4		1	1	1		
6	POR	2	3	8		1	1			1
7	COL	1	2	2		1		1		
8	GER	1	1	5		1				
9	ESP	2	5	11			2		2	1
10	POL	1	2	7			1	1		
11	BEL	1	1	3			1			
12	ROU	1	1	2			1			
13	UKR		1	3				1		
14	KSA		1	2					1	
15	CAN		1	6						1
15	USA		1	4						1
16	AUT			4						
16	BRA			2						
16	CRO			1						
16	GBR			2						
16	HKG			4						
16	SLO			1						
16	SUI			1						
16	SVK			1						

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KATA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022

Krakow, Poland, September 13/14 2022

The World Kata Championships took place in Krakow, Poland. We noticed a 19% increase in participation compared to the previous edition (Lisbon: 98 pairs – Krakow: 117 pairs).

This year in the U-23 division we had a 100% increase in Nage-no-kata (Lisbon: Nage-no-kata 7 pairs – Katame-no-kata 4 pairs. Krakow: Nage-no-kata 14 pairs – Katame-no-kata 4 pairs).

Total participation:

Nage-no-kata: 14 pairs , 8 nations

Katame-no-kata: 4 pairs , 4 nations

Remarks: 1 pair took part in the 2 events.

In 2023, we will add Ju-no-kata in the U23 division.

Number of participating nations: 27 – 117 pairs

AJU = 1 nation (2 pairs) - EJU= 18 nations (84 pairs) - OJU = 1 nation (5 pairs)

JUA = 3 nations (8 pairs) - PJC = 4 nations (18 pairs)

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2	JPN	3	3	3	2	1					
3	NED	1	4	9	1				2	1	
4	COL	1	2	4	1			1			
5	ROU	1	1	2	1						
6	ESP	3	5	7		1	2	1	1		
7	GER	3	4	11		1	2		1		
8	SLO	1	1	4		1					
9	SUI	1	1	3		1					
10	ITA	1	4	11			1	1	1	1	
11	CAN	1	2	5			1			1	
12	AUS	1	1	5			1				
13	POL		2	12				2			
14	BEL		1	2							1
15	AUT			2							
15	BRA			2							
15	CRO			2							
15	CZE			1							
15	GBR			2							
15	HKG			4							
15	HUN			2							
15	KSA			1							
15	POR			1							
15	SVK			1							
15	SWE			1							
15	RSA			2							
15	USA			7							

Judges:

During these last 2 editions, in Lisbon in 2021 and in Krakow in 2022, an examination of kata judges was organized:

In 2021: 16 candidates were promoted to the rank of IJF kata judge.

In 2022: 17 candidates were promoted to the rank of IJF kata judge.



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Competition:

- The rules for evaluating katas in competition have been reviewed and corrected. Publication in English, French and Portuguese in January 2022.
- The results of the world championships since their creation in 2008 are published on the IJF website.
- A handbook for the organization of competitions and training is being developed.
- In 2021, use by the judges of electronic tablets to enter the score by technique.

Pedagogy:

- Publication on the IJF website of reference documents edited by the Kodokan on the teaching of the 5 katas in English and French. Project in Spanish.
- Kata Educative Project - Kata for all. Publication on the IJF website in October 2021 of an educational project, with the help of the kata commissions of the 5 continents, aiming at teaching Nage-no-kata in a more playful and progressive approach for young judokas and beginners.
- Updating of the list of IJF and continental kata judges.

Participation at the request of Poland, Greece and the United States of an IJF kata expert, Michel Kozlowski.

For your information:

The 2023 KATA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS will be held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates on November 2 and 3.

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