



Pedro's Challenge

A 2012 ZEBRA TOUR EVENT

NATIONAL REFEREE CERTIFICATION TESTING EVENT

Presented by: **Zebra Mats & Pedro's Judo Center** Sanctioned by: **US JUDO SANCTION # (At Event)**

WHEN: **Competition:** Saturday, February 25th, 2012

WHERE: **Competition:** Wakefield Memorial High School, 60 Farm Street, Wakefield, MA 01880

Hotel: Sheraton Colonial Hotel, One Audubon Road Wakefield, MA 01880

WHO IS ELIGIBLE: **US Competitors:** Must be a current member of USJI, USJA, or USJF.

Foreign Competitors: Must provide a written approval from their National Federation or present a current Federation Card of their own country.

Membership cards must be shown at weigh-in time, or a copy of the card should be included with pre-registration. Application forms to USJI/USJF/USJA will be available at registration.

WHAT RULES: Modified IJF rules, True Double Elimination. No chokes in Yonen divisions.

No armbars in Yonen, Shonen and Senior Novice divisions.

MATCH TIME: All junior, senior men novice and masters divisions - 3 minutes

Senior Elite divisions (men black belt and senior women) - 5 minutes

In case of a tie at the end of regulation, Golden Score (Jr.2 min/Sr. 3 min) will be used.

**\$3,500
in Prize
Money**

REGISTRATION AND WEIGH IN:

- Junior, Senior, & Masters 1:00pm - 6:00pm, Friday, February 24th at the tournament hotel.
- Senior and Masters Divisions: 11:00am -12:00pm, Saturday, February 25th at the tournament site.

**NOTE: ALL JUNIOR COMPETITORS MUST WEIGH-IN ON FRIDAY!!
(THERE WILL BE NO WEIGH-INS FOR JRS ON SATURDAY)**

COMPETITION SCHEDULE:

- Juniors 12 and under: Will start at 9:00am sharp
- Juniors 13-16, 17 - 20 Will not start before 10:30am
- Senior & Masters Will not start before 12:00pm

**REGISTER ONLINE at
www.JimmyPedro.com**

HOW MUCH (NO REFUNDS):

ON-LINE Registration:

- Competitor Registration for first weight division is \$60 up until 11:59 PM, Wednesday, February 22nd
- Competitor Registration for second division is \$20 up until 11:59 PM, Wednesday, February 22nd

MAIL-IN Registration:

- \$70 for one division if postmarked by February 18th and check is included. Late entry fee \$80.
- \$25 for a second division if postmarked by February 18th. Late second division fee \$30.

Spectator Fee:-Adult: \$5.00, Children 13 & over: \$3.00, Children 12 & under: free.

- Each athlete who pre-registers by mail or on-line will receive 2 free tickets.

DIVISIONS (weight in Kilograms, multiply by 2.2 for weight in pounds):

Co-ed 5-6 years old:	Light, Medium, Heavy	All ranks
Boys 7-8 years old:	20, 23, 27, 32, 37, 37+	All ranks
Boys 9-10 years old:	27, 32, 37, 42, 47, 47+	All ranks
Boys 11-12 years old:	32, 37, 42, 47, 52, 58, 58+	All ranks
Boys 13-14 years old:	42, 47, 52, 58, 65, 65+	All ranks
Boys 15-16 years old:	55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 90+	All ranks
Boys 17 – 20 years old:	55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 90+	All ranks
Girls 7-8 years old:	23, 27, 32, 32+	All ranks
Girls 9-10 years old:	27, 32, 37, 42, 42+	All ranks
Girls 11-12 years old:	32, 37, 42, 47, 52, 52+	All ranks
Girls 13-16 years old:	44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 70+	All ranks
Senior Novice Men:	60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, 100+	White - Green Belt
Senior Men Elite	55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, 100+	Brown and Black Belt
Senior Novice Women:	Light & Heavy	White - Green Belt
Senior Women Elite	44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, 78+	All ranks
Master Men	Age 30-39 -70kg -81kg -94kg +94kg	
	Age 40-49 -70kg -81kg -94kg +94kg	
	Age 50+ -70kg -81kg -94kg +94kg	
Master Women	Age 30+ Light & Heavy	

**\$250 Prize Money
for Winners of
Senior Elite
Divisions!**

The Tournament Directors reserve the right to make any changes they deem necessary to insure the safety and fairness to all competitors.

AWARDS:

- Medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- **\$250 Cash prize money provided by ZEBRA for winners of the men and women elite divisions.** A division must have at least 5 competitors to qualify for prize money. Competitors who desire to win money and who do not have enough competitors in their division may move up to the next weight class.
- A competitor who places 1st in all 2012 Zebra Tour events will win a GRAND SLAM prize of \$1,000.00.

ZEBRA TOUR - THE ZEBRA TOUR CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

STARRETT CUP (Jan. 19, 2012)

OCEAN STATE INTERNATIONAL (March 17, 2012)

PEDRO'S CHALLENGE (Feb 25, 2012)

MORRIS CUP (June 2, 2012)

MAT AREA: The tournaments will be held on Tatami mats provided by *Zebra Mats*. Six Tatami mat areas with electronic scoreboards will be used. **Anyone interested in purchasing Zebra Tatami mats who mentions the Pedro's Challenge Judo tournament will receive a BIG discount on mats purchased from this event.** For more information or to place an order, call 1-800-989-8085

Mel Appelbaum - Former chairman of USA Judo Referee Commission

HEAD REFEREE: Dr. Mel Appelbaum, IJF-A referee, Head of USA Judo Referee commission.

ATTENTION REFEREES:

This competition will serve as a National Referee Certification testing event for USA Judo. For more information, check out page 4 of this document. Testing for Regional referee level will also be offered.

At least one A or B level referee will oversee all mats.

All A Level referees who attend will be provided with accommodations for 2 nights (2 per room). All referees will be compensated/reimbursed for attending as follows: A Level referee - \$100, B level - \$75, C level - \$50, D Level - \$25. Additionally, all referees will be given a complimentary polo shirt to be worn during the competition as the official referee uniform.

REFEREE CLINIC: Referee registration will be held from 7:30-8:00am on Saturday, February 25th at the competition venue. A referee clinic hosted by Dr. Mel Appelbaum will take place from 8:00-9:00am that morning in the hospitality room. Coffee, snacks, and refreshments will be provided.

FOOD: Will be available and sold on site.

TOURNAMENT HOTEL:**Sheraton Colonial Hotel and Golf Club (Boston North)**

One Audubon Road Wakefield, Massachusetts 01880

Phone (781) 245-9300. Reservations: 1-888-627-7205

Or on-line: www.jimmypedro.com

The hotel features fitness center with in-door pool, restaurants and other services.

Rooms will be available for the nights of February 24th and 25th. Reservation should be done by February 18th to guarantee a group price of \$99.00/night, per room (up to 4 guests in the room for this price). When you make your reservation please mention the "Pedro's Judo."

OTHER AREA HOTELS:**Best Western Lord Wakefield Hotel**, 595 North Avenue, Wakefield, MA 01880

Phone: 781-245-6100. Reservations: 1-800-western or 1-800-528-1234

HAVE A QUESTION? E-mail or Call **Jimmy Pedro**, tournament director, at jimmypedro@zebramats.com or 978-973-6238. More info about the event can be found at www.jimmypedro.com

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO TOURNAMENT SITE:

From the South:

From I-93 N: Go on highway I-93 N. Take exit 37A to I-95 N (also MA-128 N) towards PEABODY. Merge onto I-95 N. Continue as ■

From I-95 N: Continue as ■

From the North:

From I-93 S: Take exit 37A to I-95 N (128 N) towards PEABODY. Merge onto I-95 N. Continue as ■

From I-95 S: Continue as ■

From the West:

Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90 E) to Highway 95 N (Exit 14) towards NH / MAINE / POINTS NORTH. Continue as ■

- Take the NORTH AVE exit- EXIT 39- toward WAKEFIELD / MELROSE. At the end of the ramp take the right onto NORTH AVE. Go straight 1.6 miles. NORTH AVE becomes NAHANT ST. Go on NAHANT ST. for 0.9 miles. Turn LEFT onto FARM STREET towards Wakefield Memorial HS. The Judo event will be held in the Field house.

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- Take Exit 42 (Salem Street). Turn left off of the ramp, then turn left again at Sunoco gas station. The hotel is 200 feet on the right.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO PEDRO'S JUDO CENTER:

FROM I-95 NORTH:

Take I-95 N / MA-128 N toward PEABODY/PORTSMOUTH NH.
Take the NORTH AVE exit number 39 to WAKEFIELD/MELROSE. 0.2 miles
Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto NORTH AVE. 1.2 miles
Turn LEFT onto W WATER ST. 0.4 miles
Turn LEFT onto VERNON ST. 0.2 miles
Turn RIGHT onto NEW SALEM ST. 0.1 miles

PEDRO'S JUDO CENTER will be on your RIGHT

FROM I-95 SOUTH:

Take Route 128 South toward WALTHAM/BOSTON
Take the AUDUBON RD exit - exit number 42 toward SALEM ST./MONTROSE
Turn SLIGHT LEFT to take the ramp toward SALEM ST./MONTROSE 0.02 miles
Turn LEFT onto AUDUBON RD 0.05 miles
AUDUBON RD becomes PLEASURE ISLAND RD 0.1 miles
Turn RIGHT onto SALEM ST. 0.8 miles
Turn SLIGHT LEFT onto NEW SALEM ST. 0.7 miles

PEDRO's JUDO CENTER will be on your LEFT

Seeding:

For the Elite categories, the top 4 nationally ranked senior athletes will be seeded if they compete in the weight division in which they are ranked. #1 and #4 shall be placed on one side of the bracket; #2 and #3 shall be placed on the other side. The seeding order shall be in the order of the byes, i.e., if there is 1 bye, #1 shall get it; if there are 2 byes, #'s 1 and 2 shall get them, etc. If any of the top 4 nationally ranked athletes are not in attendance, athletes ranked #5 and below SHALL NOT be seeded, i.e., "moved up" to the next higher seed position.

USA JUDO NATIONAL REFEREE CERTIFICATION TEST INFORMATION

The 2012 Pedro's Judo Challenge will be a National Referee Certification Testing Event for USA Judo. The referee staff will include Mel Appelbaum, Rick Celotto, and Roy Englert.

All candidates must:

1. Attend clinic Saturday morning and register for the test at that time. Registration: 7:30 – 8:00am. Clinic: 8:00 – 9:00am.
2. Have proof of the following – US citizen or have legal resident alien status, age (18 and over), rank (shodan or higher), current USJI member, certificate of regional referee (minimum of one year)
3. Pay \$20.00 examination fee and \$20.00 certification fee if passed
4. Records of last three years officiating and referee clinics attended
5. Two passport size photos taken in referee attire

All referees must wear official referee attire, or Pedro's Challenge Polo shirt.

Candidates will have to pass the written examination (multiple choice) and will have to referee at the event to the satisfaction of the examiners.

Questions should be directed to Dr. Mel Appelbaum at MiddieMD@aol.com or Roy Englert at RoyEnglert@aol.com

Pedro's Challenge – Entry Form Open Judo Tournament

Saturday, February 25th, 2012

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Rank: _____
Club: _____ Male Female
Street: _____ City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Country: _____
Membership Card: USJI USJA USJF Other: _____ Card #: _____

Division (check division/s):

Girls: 5-6 7 - 8 9 - 10 11 - 12 13 - 16
Boys: 5-6 7 - 8 9 - 10 11 - 12 13 - 14 15 - 16 17 - 20
Senior Men: White-Green Belt Brown-Black Belt
Senior Women: White-Green Belt Brown-Black Belt
Masters Men: All ranks
Masters Women: All ranks
Approximate Weight: _____ kgs. E-mail address: _____

It is mandatory that all non-black belts competing in Brown/Black Belt Divisions, Masters, and Sr. Female division's complete certification below:

I, _____, a Judo Instructor, who has been awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, under the auspices of United States Judo Inc, United States Judo Association, and/or United States Judo Federation, hereby certify that the above contestant, although not having been awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in Judo to compete in the Pedro's Challenge Tournament.

A copy of my rank certificate, or my USJI membership card having the verification symbol "V" printed following my rank, is attached.

Signature of Judo Instructor

Rank

Registration packet to include:

- Entry form with Signed waiver and non-Black belt approval (if applicable)
- Copy of USA Judo/USJF/USJA or foreign membership card
- Check (no cash, please) payable to Jimmy Pedro, Inc.

Send Registration Packet to:

Jimmy Pedro
12 Cameron Way
Methuen, MA 01844

WARNING! WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE (TOURNAMENT)

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the Pedro's Challenge Judo Championship, and related events and activities of the Pedro's Challenge,

I hereby:

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree 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. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due to not only 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, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue USA Judo, USJA, USJF, Massachusetts Judo Association, Inc., Pedro's Judo Center, Wakefield High School, Wakefield School Department and the town of Wakefield, MA, Jimmy Pedro, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used to conduct the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "releasee", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death and damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee, or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND, KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISK 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/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant's Printed Name

Participant's Signature

Date

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

This is to certify that I, as parent/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 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/Guardian's Printed Name

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date