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European Police Championships

**JUDO**



## 16<sup>th</sup> USPE European Police Championships Judo

13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 in Sofia/Bulgaria

### Invitation to Enter

The Police Sports Association of the Bulgarian Ministry of Interior was entrusted by the Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE) with the organisation of the 16<sup>th</sup> USPE European Police Championships Judo from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 in Sofia/Bulgaria.

The following regulations are issued for the 16<sup>th</sup> USPE EPC Judo 2024.

They have been adopted on the basis of the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Competition Rules and Anti-Doping-Regulations of the USPE.



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## 1. **General organiser**

Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE)

## 2. **Organiser**

Police Sports Association of the Bulgarian Ministry of Interior

Chairman: Chavdar Atanasov

Contact person: Ivo Velchev

E-mail: [office@sa-mvr.com](mailto:office@sa-mvr.com)

## 3. **Date**

Arrival: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Departure: 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## 4. **Venue**

The competition takes place at:

Venue: Hall Sofia

Address: Boris Garden Park, Sofia

## 5. **Accommodation**

All participants, delegates and guests will be accommodated in:

Hotel: Park Hotel

Web: <https://www.parkhotelmoskva.net>

E-mail: [office@sa-mvr.com](mailto:office@sa-mvr.com)

The meals for the teams will start with dinner on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and end with breakfast on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024. The eating schedule will be specified in the information "Welcome" upon arrival.

## 6. **Travel Information / Visa procedure**

### 6.1 **Travel information**

The organiser will provide the shuttle from Sofia airport and railway station Sofia according to the travelling details of the delegations. Teams arriving by their own car/bus are requested to go directly to the hotel.



## 6.2 Shuttle service

The venue is 1 minutes walk from the hotel.

## 6.3 Visa procedure

**Delegations which need a VISA are requested to contact the host in time.**

## 7. **Safety Requirements**

The organiser will ensure that all safety requirements are met according to the rules of the respective sports discipline. The organiser will ensure that a medical first aid will be present at the competitions. The organiser is responsible for a safety and security analysis of the risks during this USPE EPC to determine the necessary precautions and measures.

## 8. **Insurance**

Everyone involved in this EPC is responsible for his/her own insurance cover. The participating member countries are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover (e.g. accident and health insurance) for their whole delegation members at their own expenses for the whole duration of the USPE EPC Judo. Claims for damages against the USPE are expressly excluded.

## 9. **Competition rules**

The USPE Competition Rules, item 4.5 Judo, shall apply.

[https://www.uspe.org/statuten/2023\\_01\\_01\\_USPE\\_Compitions\\_Rules\\_ENG.pdf](https://www.uspe.org/statuten/2023_01_01_USPE_Compitions_Rules_ENG.pdf)

## 10. **Event**

### 10.1 Participants

Each member country may enter:

- one delegate
- up to fourteen sportsmen and fourteen sportswomen (up to two female/male competitors per weight category)
- up to four attendants.

However, the number of attendants must not exceed the number of sportsmen/-women.

## 10.2 Single competition formula

The single competitions shall include the following weight classes:

Male: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73 kg, -81 kg, -90 kg, -100kg, +100 kg  
Female: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg, -63 kg, -70 kg, -78 kg, +78 kg

Each member union may enter up two competitors per weight category.

The USPE Secretary General in agreement with the USPE Technical Delegate for Judo will decide on the implementation of the disciplines after Form 3 has been sent.

The single competition will be hold on double k. o. system with Semi-Finals and Finals on the same day. There will be two Bronze medallists.

In weight categories with up to 5 participants everyone is fighting against everyone.

The duration of each contest will be 5 minutes (female and male). In case of equality, golden score according to the IJF Rules will be apply.

### Draw

The draw will take place after the Technical Meeting.

## 10.3 Team competition formula

The Team Competition takes place at the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the EPC (the Individual Competitions are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> day).

A team is made up of three men and two women.  
The minimum number of weight classes per team is three.  
It's divided into the following weight classes:

male:	-73kg	-90kg	+90kg
female:	-63kg	+63kg	

The order of the fights will be drawn before each encounter.

The competition mode depends on the registered teams (up to 5 teams: group-system, or 6 teams and more: knockout-system). The nomination of the team members takes place on the same day as the competition.

#### 10.4 Weigh-in

Official Weigh-in is on the day before the competition:

- on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 between 21:00 and 22:00
- on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024 between 18:00 and 19:00
- on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024 between 18:00 and 19:00

The fighters, which are not present during the official weigh-in, cannot participate at the competition.

The official times and venues for the weigh-in will be published in time.

#### 10.5 Team sport equipment

All teams are expected to wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblems of their individual member union.

##### Judogi

The competitors shall wear a Judogi as following conditions according to the IJF Rules:

Blue for the first contestant and white or off-white for the second contestant.

##### Back numbers:

The Back numbers will be delivered by the organiser and be put on the Judogi after the accreditation.

##### Dress code

The coaches will wear:

Preliminaries: national official track with trousers reaching down the shoes,

Finals (Semi-Final and Final): jacket suit and tie.

#### 10.5 Official Training

Official training will be arranged on the arrival day with approx. 60 minutes for each delegation in the competition hall depending on the arrival.

## 10.6 Decorations and honours

The winner of each individual competition of an EPC is "European Police Champion".

As to team competitions organised within the framework of an EPC, each competitor of the winning team is "European Police Champion".

### Medals:

Competitors taking first, second and third places in any of the male/female competitions are awarded with prize medals.

As to team events, the competitors of the team placing first, second and third are awarded with prize medals.

### Other awards:

The organiser will hand over special awards.

## **11. Referees**

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 2.4, shall apply.

The organiser is in charge of ensuring a sufficient number of referees/umpires.

The minimum standard for referees/umpires is the highest national level.

Exceptions must be approved by the responsible member of the USPE Technical Commission in charge for the respective sport and the USPE Secretary General.

In agreement with the USPE Secretary General, the responsible member of the USPE Technical Commission decides which member unions have to send IJF-referees to this EPC.

**Each country is requested to enter one referee/umpire with at least continental licence B or national A registered in the referees' classification of the European Judo Union (EJU) or National Judo Federation.**

According to paragraph 2.4.3 of the USPE Competition Rules the organiser is responsible for the accommodation and food of the referees provided by the participating countries.

All other expenses have to be paid by the respective member country.



## **12. Provisional Timetable**

### **Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

During the day	Arrival, Control, Accreditation Training (depends on the arrival of the teams)
18:00 – 19:00	Official weigh-in in the hotel (for 1 <sup>st</sup> day competitors)
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner
20:00	Technical Meeting

### **Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

09:00	Technical Meeting of the Referees
09:30	Official warm up
10:30	Opening Ceremony
11:00	Competitions (Preliminaries) Male: -60 kg, -66 kg, -73 kg, -80 kg Female: -48 kg, -52 kg, -57 kg, -63 kg
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch (no official break of the competition)
15:00	Finals Medal Ceremonies
18:00 – 19:00	Official weigh-in in the hotel (for 2 <sup>nd</sup> day competitors)
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner

### **Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

09:00	Technical Meeting of the Referees
09:30	Official warm up
10:00	Competitions (Preliminaries) Male: -90 kg, -100 kg, +100 kg Female: -70 kg, -78 kg, +78 kg
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch (no official break of the competition)
15:00	Finals Medal Ceremonies
18:00 – 19:00	Official weigh-in in the hotel (for 3 <sup>rd</sup> day competitors)
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner





## **Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

09:00	Official warm up
10:00	Team Competitions (Preliminaries)
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch (no official break of the competition)
14:00	Finals
	Medal Ceremonies
17:00	Closing Ceremony
20:00	Gala Dinner

## **Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Departure

A detailed final program will be sent in time by the organiser.

### **13. Jury of Appeal**

The provisions of the USPE Rules and Regulations, Article R 19, shall apply.

The appeal jury is installed at each European Police Championship. It is responsible for all appeals concerning the organisation and the regular course of events of the championship in question.

It is comprised of:

1. USPE Secretary General Andreas Röhner or his appointed deputy as chairperson,
2. the responsible USPE Technical Delegate for Judo, Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis,
3. a member of the Referees Technical Committee from the Bulgarian Judo Association
4. Mr. Simeon Gugalov from the Bulgarian Police Sports Association

In case of a hung decision the vote of the chairperson shall be final. All appeals have to be made in writing by the delegate or one of the attendants of the member union in question within less than an hour after the end of the fixing or publication of the results unless the respective international sport rules specify different.

The delegate or one of the attendants of the member union has to enclose an appeal fee with the appeal in order for the appeal to be valid. The deposited sum will be refunded to its owner if the appeal proves to be justified. If the appeal is rejected the sum deposited is retained by the USPE. The appeal fee will be a total of 100,00 €, paid in cash.



## **14. Eligibility to start**

The provisions of the Statutes, the Rules and Regulations, the Competition Rules as well as the Anti-Doping Regulations of the USPE shall apply. They have to satisfy the provisions set out in Article 23 of the USPE Statutes.

The participation in USPE Championships and Preliminary Rounds is restricted to athletes, who

1. meet the starting requirements of their international union,
2. belong to a national sports organisation that is a member of the USPE,
3. actually is a member of police organisation/force at the time of the championship or
4. are police students at a public police academy,
5. have reached the age of 18 at the time of the Championships or the Preliminary Rounds,
6. have signed the Anti-Doping Declaration and
7. submit the USPE Declaration of Participation signed by the respective President/Secretary General to the competent member of the Technical Commission.

The police are a set of all bodies and institutions in charge of maintenance of public law and order (administrative police and crime investigation departments).

Military police, members of the military, members of the fire brigades and civil servants that do not belong to the police are excluded from the European Police Championships and the Preliminary Rounds.

Competitors suspended from sports contests by the USPE or by the respective sports association due to having violated the relevant doping regulations are not eligible to enter.

## **15. Accreditation/Verification of eligibility to enter**

For verification of a person's eligibility, the police ID and passport or national ID-card (including a photo) must be presented to the delegate of the USPE. In case of a document deficiency, the permission to start may be refused.

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating countries must present the USPE Declaration of Participation for each athlete who will participate, signed by the respective President or Secretary General.

**Without the Declaration the participation in the USPE EPC Judo is not possible!**

The competent member of the USPE Technical Commission, Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis, will supervise the verification during the accreditation.

**To ensure an effort less procedure, the teams must complete the Declaration of Participation Form prior to accreditation.**

## **16. Anti-Doping**

Doping tests (urine test total: 4) will be conducted during the USPE EPC Judo with the current NADA list of prohibited substances being applicable ([www.nada.at](http://www.nada.at)).

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating athletes must present the self-signed USPE Anti-Doping Declaration.

**Without this Declaration the participation in the USPE EPC Judo is not possible!**

Please note the data protection notices for the Anti-Doping Declaration:

[https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Data\\_protection\\_notices\\_USPE\\_Anti\\_Doping\\_Declaration.pdf](https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Data_protection_notices_USPE_Anti_Doping_Declaration.pdf)

**Each athlete can apply for TUE, i.e. permission to use, for therapeutic purposes, substances or methods contained in the list of prohibited substances or methods where use would otherwise be prohibited.**

Please note the data protection notices for the TUE Application Form:

[https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Template\\_USPE\\_TUE\\_Application\\_Form.pdf](https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Template_USPE_TUE_Application_Form.pdf)

More information is available on the USPE website under:

[www.uspe.org](http://www.uspe.org)

## **17. Financial provisions**

### **17.1 Travelling expenses**

Each member union will pay for its own travelling expenses.

## 17.2 Board and lodging

- Delegate

The organiser will pay for the expenses incurred by the delegate (Article R 11 of the USPE Rules and Regulations) of the participating member union.

- Team

For every other participant (athlete/attendant) 60,00 Euro per person / per night must be paid to the organiser (Article R 14/3 of the Rules and Regulations).

- Guests

In case a member country intends to be accompanied by guests and the organiser is able to provide the respective accommodation, each guest has to pay the actual costs incurred by themselves. The amount for the accommodation for the guests will be 80 € per person (double room) / 100 € per person (single room) per night with three meals a day.

Each Team and guest are obligated to indicate a billing address (e-mail) to the organiser of this EPC. The organiser will send the respective invoices in time.

## 17.3 Registration fee

Prior to a championship, each participating country has to pay a registration fee to the USPE before the opening of the championship.

The registration fee for each start (singles/team) will be 40,00 €. The USPE General Treasurer will send the respective invoices in time.

## **18. Registration**

Each participating member country is requested to send the enclosed forms by e-mail to:

1. Office of the USPE Secretary General  
[office@uspe.org](mailto:office@uspe.org)
2. Bulgarian Police Sports Association  
[office@sa-mvr.com](mailto:office@sa-mvr.com)
3. Rigas Oustampasidis, member of the USPE Technical Commission  
[oustampasidis@uspe.org](mailto:oustampasidis@uspe.org)



Please meet the following deadlines:

Form 2	Number of participants	<b>12<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>
Form 3	Names of the participants	<b>8<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>
Form 4	Travelling details	<b>10<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>

## **Data protection notice:**

The member countries are responsible for the data protection of their participants' data. Sending these forms by unencrypted e-mail is not a secure way of transmission. It is recommended to send the forms by post, fax or encrypted e-mail.

## **19. Restriction of personality rights**

The corresponding agreement (art. 6, par. 1 lit, and art. 7 European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)) of all participants (athletes, delegates, attendants) allowing the use of personal data during the competition, during the preparation for the competition, as well as after the competition and follow-up documentation of the competition in pictures and video sequences as PR procedures, for example by the USPE, has been obtained by the participating member country and is at hand in the original.

All needed documents referring to Data protection are available to download on the USPE website:

[https://www.uspe.org/data\\_protection.php](https://www.uspe.org/data_protection.php).

**It is the responsibility of the participating member country to ensure that every participant from their member country has consented to the GDPR agreement and the original consent document should be held by the member country.**

## **20. Downloads**

All needed documents are available to download on the USPE website under:

<https://www.uspe.org/downloadcenter.php>.

**It is in the responsibility of all participating countries to present all needed documents to the responsible USPE Technical Delegate for Judo, Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis, during the accreditation.**



## 21. Disclaimer

The USPE and the host shall not assume any liability in the event of accidents, theft and other events of damage or loss.

The disclaimer shall be recognised upon registration for the event.

## 22. Notes

One contestant per team has to wear **the police uniform** of their respective country at the Opening Ceremony.

As to the Final Banquet all participants are requested to attend adequately dressed to suit the occasion (no blue jeans).

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblem of their individual member union.

Signed in the original

Andreas Röhner  
USPE Secretary General

Chavdar Atanasov  
Bulgarian Police Sports  
Association Chairman