



UNITED STATES JUDO FEDERATION

National Point Roster Scholarship/Grant Program

An additional offering to the current array of USJF scholarships.

Introduction to Point Roster Rankings

The goal of the points roster program is to identify, through competitive engagements, the exceptional USJF competitor who exemplifies a culture of excellence and demonstrates the virtues highlighted in the “Champions of Character”, and embodies the spirit of Jita Kyoei, fostering mutual prosperity for both them and others.

How to accumulate USJF Points

The USJF will sanction three (Fall, Spring and Summer) National Championships during the fiscal year. To earn points for the USJF National roster, the athlete must be registered as a USJF member before the event commences and compete in at least One National Championship category during the fiscal year. Additionally, to qualify for scholarships or grants the athlete must maintain USJF membership for a minimum of eleven months.

Scholarships/Grants

The USJF will award annual college (higher education) scholarships to the top three athletes (male and female) in Championship Categories; Bantam(s) 4-5-6, Intermediate, Juvenile, IJF Jr., USJF Youth Referees and Jr. Kata (up to age 17 yrs. old).

The scholarship funds acquired are maintained within a fund managed by the United States Judo Federation. When the time comes, the corresponding check is issued directly to the educational institution on behalf of the athlete. For example, in Championship Bantam 4 category, USJF athlete has the opportunity to initiate their scholarship accumulation at the age of 8, ultimately resulting in a substantial scholarship fund for their higher education endeavors.

How USJF Point Roster Scholarship/Grants Funds Distributed

Scholarship funds are available to students who shows proof of registration in higher educational institutions such as postsecondary education, which is offered at institutions such as colleges, universities, business schools, community colleges, continuing educational courses, trade schools and vocational-technical schools.

The recipients have until their 25th birthday to claim their scholarship money. Requests for funds after the 25th birthday must be made in writing for the balance of any funds and will be looked at on a case-by-case basis. The USJF Scholarship Committee approves the eligibility of all requests, and all decisions are final. There is a onetime exemption for those in the Military and must be applied for within one year of discharge.

USJF Point Roster Scholarship Awards

The USJF athlete with the highest overall points will be designated as the top-ranked athlete in their championship category with a scholarship award of \$100.00. The USJF athlete accruing the second highest points will be named the second-ranked athlete in their championship category with a scholarship award of \$75.00. The USJF athlete accruing the third highest points will be

named the third-ranked athlete in their championship category with a scholarship award of \$50.00

The earnings generated from the USJF National Championships in both Fall and Spring are directed to fund the USJF Point Roster Scholarship Program. As additional funding becomes available, there is a strategy in place to augment the USJF Point Roster Scholarship/Grants, ultimately providing greater opportunity to our USJF athletes.

In the Senior, Veterans and Sr. Kata Championship categories, a USJF National Championship Entryfee grant will be awarded to the top three USJF competitors.

USJF Point Accumulation

All points accrued will be tallied and accounted for by the conclusion of August 31 within the ongoing fiscal period. Subsequently, at the initiation of the subsequent fiscal year on September 1, all USJF National Points will be reset to commence anew.

Athletes will be categorized by age groups, gender, divisions and awarded points on the USJF National Roster based on their participation in three (Fall, Spring, Summer) USJF National Championships in their respective Championship category.

USJF Point Roster Criteria

Engaging in USJF smoothcomp-sponsored National Championships will accrue points on the USJF National Point Roster.

Athlete rosters will be checked at the beginning of each month for current USJF membership.

If the USJF athlete membership lapses and does not renew their membership within, thirty-day grace period, the any points earned/listed will **not** be counted.

Athletes must compete (Championship category) in at least **ONE** USJF sponsored (Fall, Spring, Summer) National Championships to be eligible for scholarships/grants.

Athlete must win at least one match (no byes, no walkovers) in order to obtain points.

Petition for point corrections can be made to USJF Scholarship Committee

USJF Point Categories

Points will be allocated across the following championship categories and gender; Bantam(s) 4-5-6, Intermediate, Juvenile, Cadet, IJF Junior, Senior, Veterans, and Kata (Jr./Sr.)

All tournaments participating in the Matrix will be conducted through USJF smoothcomp platform.

USJF Point Matrix

Note: Athlete must compete (Championship category), the minimum of One, USJF sponsored (Fall, Spring, Summer) National Championships to be eligible for scholarship/grants/. To qualify for scholarships or grants the athlete must maintain USJF membership for a minimum of eleven months.

USJF sponsored (Fall, Spring, Summer) National Championships			
1 st Place = 25 pts.	2 nd Place = 18 pts	3 rd Place = 15 pts	Participation = 3 pts

USJF Youth (Up to 17 yrs. Old) Referee Participation In:		
National = 7 pts	Regional = 5 pts.	Local = 3 pts

USJF Website and Social Media

The top USJF athletes will be recognized on the USJF website and social media.