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In order to further *promote exemplary and competitive Judo at the highest levels* and to provide a mechanism to recognize our Junior Judoka, WJI establishes this Policy and Procedure to Award Wisconsin's top Junior athletes.

The WJI Board of Directors does hereby adopt the following *Policies and Procedures*. The below may, from time to time, be reviewed, changed, or modified at the direction of the Board:

WJI's Junior Judoka of the Year.

DEFINITIONS:

- A. WJI – Wisconsin Judo Inc.
- B. HOF Committee – Hall of Fame Committee
- C. Award – *Junior Judoka of the year*.
- D. WI athlete – a person who lives in Wisconsin or has been a registered member of a Wisconsin based Judo Dojo who has subsequently moved from the state due to: education, employment or training opportunities (with the approval of their original Sensei).
- E. Junior athlete – a person who meets the age requirements, that being under eighteen (18) year of age.
- F. Birth date – consistent with IJF Junior standards the birth year (rather than date) will be utilized.
- G. PDF – *Player Development Fund* – WJI segregated dollars designated to assist the States elite athletes with partial funding.
- H. Point(s) – a numeric value assigned to a variety of categories for qualified events.
- I. Qualified events – Events which contribute to the WJI PDF
- J. BOD – WJI Board of Directors, the executive management group of Wisconsin Judo Inc.
- K. USA Judo – Member of the US Olympic Committee and governing body of WJI Judo.
- L. Form – *Junior Athlete of the Year Reporting Form*

POLICY:

- A. The WJI Board of Directors, as necessary, shall:
 - 1) Establish a process to recognize WI Junior Athlete(s).
 - 2) Continue to encourage WI events that donate One Dollar (\$1.00) for each registrant to the PDF by limiting point value to events that support the PDF.
 - 3) Annually establish which events qualify for point accumulation.
 - 4) Designate point(s) to judo events in which qualified WI athletes compete.

- 5) All WJI Board of Directors decisions on determining recipient(s) of this/these Awards are impartial and are final.
- 6) Establish time line for deterring the Athlete(s) Awards.
- 7) Recipients of the *Junior Judoka of the Year Award* state and affirm that awarded athletes (and/or the athlete's parent(s) or Guardian(s)) allow the Publishing of their pictures and/or names of the WI State Webpage (wijudo.org), Facebook page (Wisconsin Judo Inc.) and/ or other public media designated by the WJI Board of Directors.

PROCEDURE:

A. Award:

- 1) The accumulation of points shall follow the calendar year, beginning of January 1st and ending on following December 31st of each year.
- 2) The Award shall be given beginning in 2017 (for calendar year 2016) and each succeeding year when there is/are qualified candidate(s) and such award will be given at the Wisconsin State Championships.
- 3) Only Wisconsin athlete(s) shall be eligible to receive this award.
- 4) All points will be limited to Judo events.
- 5) The HOF Committee and the BOD shall determine the recipient(s) following the last qualifying event in that calendar year.
- 6) Award Point(s) for athlete(s) competing in event(s) accredited by WJI. Events will be limited to yearly "listing" of events which contribute to the WI PDF.
- 7) Yearly establish the value of the Award, currently:
 - a) A plaque indicating the recipient is the *Junior Judoka of the Year*.
 - b) WJI will purchase the athlete a one (1) year membership in their NGB.
- 8) The *Junior Athlete of the Year Reporting Form* shall be used as a guide to collect points.
 - a) The accumulation of points shall be used (in part) to determination who is the recipient(s) of the Award.
 - b) The accumulation of points will be used as a guide for the recipient(s) of the Award.
 - c) From time to time, the WJI BOD may use other factors in determining the recipient(s) of the Award.
- 9) The Award cannot be receive by the same person for three (3) years after reception.
- 10) The WI Club coach will be responsible for returning the *Junior Athlete of the Year Reporting Form* to the WJI External Vice-President within seven (7) days of the event.
- 11) The External Vice-President of WJI shall, within seven (7) days of receiving the Form, notify the coach, of the receipt of the Form.

B. Publishing on website

- 1) All Wisconsin events that support the Wisconsin *Player Development Fund* will be:
 - a) Authorized to place the following statement on their flyer: "World Champions start here -- \$1.00 of your entry fee goes to the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*."
 - b) Funding events shall be placed as a supporter of the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*" on the State's electronic media.

- 2) By receiving points toward the Award, the athlete (and their parent(s) or guardian(s)) give their permission to place the athletes name on the Wisconsin Judo Website, Facebook page and/ or other public media designated by the WJI Board of Directors.

These **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES** have been adopted by consensus of the WJI Board of Directors on 18 September 2016 and will take effect upon adoption.

SIGNED: *Lesley Hutchins*

-MS. LESLEY HUTCHINS -

– WJI SECRETARY –