

Athlete Categorisation Announcement - December 2019

The Judo Australia (JA) Athlete Categorisation Panel has recently completed the latest round of Athlete Categorisation in line with the [JA Athlete Categorisation Guidelines \(May 2018\)](#) published on the JA website.

The following Athlete Categorisations will apply from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020. However, there will be a mid-year review in May 2020, following the closure of the Olympic Qualification period for exceptional circumstances to be considered.

JA will be developing a 2022 Commonwealth Games Athlete Categorisation approach in the coming months. In the meantime the JA Athlete Categorisation Panel has chosen to make a number of special considerations in its recent categorisation process to ensure those athletes recently categorised within the Olympic Podium Pathway remain engaged with the National program as they transition across to the Commonwealth Games Podium Pathway, a Pathway that is also extremely important to JA. These athletes are referenced on the Categorisation list with an asterisk (*) within the International Category.

ATHLETE	JA CATEGORISATION December 2019	WEIGHT DIVISION
Aoife Coughlan	Podium Potential	70 kg
Katharina Haecker	Podium Potential	63 kg
Kayhan Takagi	Podium Potential	100 kg
Tinka Easton	Developing	52 kg
Joshua Katz	Developing	60 kg
Nathan Katz	Developing	66 kg
Rhys Allan	Emerging	73 kg
Harrison Cassar	Emerging	90 kg
Maeve Coughlan	Emerging	63 kg
Uros Nikolic	Emerging	73 kg
Abigail Paduch	Emerging	78 kg
Saskia Brothers	Potential Emerging	63 kg
Anneliese Fielder	Potential Emerging	48 kg
Leo (Sung Min) Lee	Potential Emerging	Over 100 kg
Maria Swan	Potential Emerging	70 kg
Eoin Coughlan	International*	81 kg
Sam King	International*	73 kg
Calvin Knoester	International*	73 kg
Liam Park	International	Over 100 kg

Any appeals will be conducted pursuant to clause 7 of the JA Athlete Categorisation Guidelines.

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