



David J. Ellis

Date Started Judo:

June 1975 (Age 7)

Current Judo Rank:

Godan (5th degree black belt) (USJA)

Current Judo Certifications:

[IJF](#) Continental (a.k.a. IJF-B) Referee

[USJA/USA Judo](#) Background Check (expires 5/11/2020)

[USJA/USA Judo](#) Safe Sport (expires 2/26/2020)

[USJA](#) Heads Up

[USJA](#) Coach Regional (expired 5/9/2022)

[USJA](#) Nage-no-Kata Instructor Level A

[USJA](#) Kime-no-Kata Instructor Level A

[USJA](#) Katame-no-Kata Instructor Level A

Expired Judo Certifications:

[USJA](#) Senior Judo Rank Examiner (4D) (expired on 7/31/2016)

[USJA](#) Ju-no-Kata Instructor Level B (expired 2/28/2015)

[USJA](#) Kodokan Goshin-Jitsu Instructor Level C (expired 2/28/2015)

[USJA](#) Itsutsu-no-Kata Instructor Level C (expired 2/28/2015)

[USA Judo](#) National Coach

[USA Judo](#) National Teacher Class B

Judo Referee Levels:

From	To	Referee Level
April 2018	Present	IJF Continental (a.k.a. IJF-B)
September 2009	April 2018	Pan American Judo Confederation C-Level
September 2002	September 2009	USA Judo National Referee
1984	August 2002	SSJI/ FJI Regional Referee

Judo Teaching Experience:

From	To	Dojo	Role
Aug. 20, 2005	Present	Harbor City Judo & Jujitsu / Samurai Judo & Jujitsu 2225 S. Babcock Street Melbourne, FL 32901 NOTE: Samurai Judo & Jujitsu has been a few different locations. The address listed above is the 2 nd address for Harbor City Judo & Jujitsu.	Assistant Instructor
July 1994	Aug. 20, 2005	Melbourne Judokai 950 Pine Tree Drive Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937	Head Instructor
Sept. 1989	June 1994	Melbourne Judokai	Assistant Instructor
Sept. 1980	Aug. 1989	Palm Bay Judo Team 1502 Port Malabar Blvd. Palm Bay, FL	Assistant Instructor

Judo Education:

From	To	Dojo	Head Instructor(s)
Aug. 20, 2005	Present	Harbor City Judo & Jujitsu / Samurai Judo & Jujitsu	David Parritt
July 1994	Aug. 20, 2005	Melbourne Judokai	David J. Ellis (himself)
Sept. 1989	June 1994	Melbourne Judokai	John R. Ellis

Oct. 1988	June 1989	UCF Judo Club NOTE: David was attending Palm Bay Judo Team and UCF Judo Club at the same time, this accounts for the dates that overlap.	Dale Thompson / Betty Stamm
Sept. 1980	Aug. 1989	Palm Bay Judo Team	John R. Ellis
June 1975	Aug. 1980	Patrick AFB Judo / Space Coast Judo Club NOTE: Club changed name after moving off Patrick AFB sometime between June 1975 and August 1980	Patty McMahon / Dave Daley NOTE: Patty McMahon handed the Patrick AFB Judo Club over to Dave Daley

Other Judo Positions currently held:

- [Florida Judo Yahoo! Group](#) Moderator
- [FJI](#) Executive Recording Secretary
- [FJI](#) Registration Chairperson
- [FJI](#) Sanctions Chairperson
- [FJI](#) Referee Commission Member and Secretary
- [FJI](#) Web Author

Judo Black Belt Rank History:

Rank	Date Earned	Certificate # (if applicable)
Godan (5 th Degree Black Belt)	April 7, 2017	USJA
Yodan (4 th Degree Black Belt)	June 29, 2005	USJA
Sandan (3 rd Degree Black Belt)	November 15, 1998	USA Judo #985031871
Nidan (2 nd Degree Black Belt)	February 14, 1995	USA Judo #955021370
Shodan (1 st Degree Black Belt)	April 11, 1989	USA Judo #895010518

Other Martial Art Rank currently held:

Nidan (2nd degree black belt) in Nihon, [United States Jujitsu Federation](#), and [USJA](#) Jujitsu

Highest Judo National Kata Finish:

3rd Place in Men's Ju-no-Kata in 1984 Senior National as Uke with John R. Ellis as Tori

Judo Kata Highlights:

6-time Florida State Nage-no-Kata Champion (1985*, 1990*, 1991*, 1997**, 1999**, 2002***),

7-time Florida State Kime-no-Kata Champion (1985*, 1986*, 1989*, 1990*, 1992*, 1993*, 2008****),

4-time Florida State Ju-no-Kata Champion (1989*, 1990*, 1991*, 1992*),

3-time Florida State Katame-no-Kata Champion (1989*, 1990*, 1992*)

KEY:

* as Uke with John R. Ellis as Tori

** as Uke with Ted Zorsky as Tori

*** as Uke with Dr. Andre J. Merrill as Tori

**** as Uke with Peter McMahan as Tori