



European Judo Union

European Championships KATA

Lignano, 2014

May 24th - 25th, 2014



COMPETITION RULES



WORDS OF WELCOME



Sergey Soloveychik
President
European Judo Union

Dear Judo Friends,

Dear Participants,

On behalf of the European Judo Union I would like to welcome you at an important and special event in the Judo World - the European Championships for Kata.

It gives me a great pleasure to witness the undying interest to kata and I am thankful to the organisers and judoka attending the event for their devotion and contribution to the kata tradition and development. Kata is an integral part of judo study that helps to make the most effective use of one's mental and physical power and that illustrates the magnitude and value of our favourite sport and martial art.

This year the Championships is taking place on the Adriatic Sea coast in a beautiful town of Lignano, and I am sure the Italian Judo Federation will do their best to carry it on at a high level.

May the guests and participants spend a wonderful time while mastering their skills and cultivating their spirit by kata.

Sincerely,

Sergey Soloveychik



Domenico Falcone
President
Italian Judo Federation

Dear Judo Friends,

I am very pleased to extend the Italian Federation's and my personal greetings to the participants to the 9th edition of the European Kata Championship, which will be held on next 24th and 25th May in Lignano Sabbiadoro, a lively and welcoming town overlooking the Adriatic Sea, in a region so rich in attractions as Friuli Venezia Giulia is.

After the successful organization of the World Championships in Pordenone in 2012, Italy is hosting again a high level sporting event that can rely on an efficient and experienced Organizing Committee in a context that is characterized by a strong vocation for hospitality and by the quality of its infrastructure.

The success and the development of competitive Kata testifies the undisputed charm that the study of the authentic roots of Judo inspires, with its fund of techniques and traditions, and this competition is a great opportunity for all those athletes eager to test themselves in a challenge that involves the best European experts.

I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Franco Capelletti (Director of the IJF Kata Commission, EJU Vice-President and Vice-President of the Italian Judo Federation) and Mr. Stefano Stefanel (member of the Executive Bureau of the Italian Judo Federation and Chairman of the National Commission Kata and Master) with all my heart for their tireless work of promotion as well as all those who, at a national and international level, work with passion and commitment in favor of the practice and of the spread of this discipline.

Finally, I would like to wish all the participants the best results and many exciting days full of Sport and fair competition.

My very best regards.

Domenico Falcone

1. Technical Information

1.1 DATE & VENUE

The European Kata Championships will be held on **Saturday 24th of May 2014**.

The European Open Kata Championships and the Judo Show will be held on **Sunday 25th of May 2014**.

These events will be held in Lignano, Italy.

1.2 PARTICIPATION

The competitors must be of the same nationality as the country, which enters them. Competitors who have double nationality can only represent 1 country. **After having represented a country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional Championships, recognized by the EJU, he may not represent another country unless he meets the conditions set forth in the next paragraph.**

When a competitor changes nationality, he must wait 3 years before he can represent the new country, unless the two countries concerned (the old country and the new country) agree to authorize his entry for the new nationality and this is accepted by the EJU (According to the Olympic Charter Art. 42).

Each Delegation will be given a number of free accreditations depending on the number of athletes:

Couples	Officials	Couples	Officials	Couples	Officials
1-2	2	3-4	3	5-6	4
7-8	5	9-10	6	11-12	7
13-14	8	15-16	9	17-18	10
19-20	11				

Note: Judges should not be included in the above quota and shall be given a free accreditation. Each National Federation will be provided with another 2 free VIP accreditations for the President and the General Secretary of the Federation.

EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS / OPEN EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Each federation may enter up to a maximum of 2 couples per each age group of Kata, totalling up to a maximum of 4 couples per Kata. The competitors can only participate in one Kata.

JUDO SHOW EUROPEAN CUP

Each National Federation may enter up to a maximum of 3 Judo-Show teams composed of 2 to 6 participants each.

1.3 AGE & GRADE

EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS / OPEN EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Participants must be born in 1995 or before. They shall have a minimum of 1st Dan. Couples may be formed of either 2 males, 2 females, or a male and a female.

Each Kata will be divided in 2 age categories according to the age of Tori. The Age of Uke has no restrictions.

JUDO SHOW EUROPEAN CUP

Participants must be born in 1995 or before. They shall have a minimum of 1st Dan. Teams may be formed males and/or females.



Age From	Age Division (Tori) Age		YOB		Age Category	
	To	YOB from	YOB to			
18	34	1995	1980	Cat 1	Nage no Kata	
35	+	1979	+	Cat 2		
18	44	1995	1970	Cat 1	Katame no Kata	
45	+	1969	+	Cat 2		
18	44	1995	1970	Cat 1	Ju no Kata	
45	+	1969	+	Cat 2		
18	44	1995	1970	Cat 1	Kime no Kata	
45	+	1969	+	Cat 2		
18	47	1995	1967	Cat 1	Kodokan Goshinjutsu	
45	+	1966	+	Cat 2		

1.4 KATA

EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS / OPEN EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Kata recognised for these championships, will be five:

- Nage-no-kata;
- Katame-no-Kata;
- Ju-no-Kata;
- Kime-no-kata
- Kodokan-Goshinjutsu;

The IJF Kata "Criteria for Kata Evaluation" will be used to judge the Kata with reference also to the official Kodokan edition of video.

1.5 COMPETITION FORMULA

EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS / OPEN EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Each Kata will be divided in two groups according to the Age of Tori (see 1.3). For each age group the couple with most point will be awarded the gold medal, with the second the silver medal and the third, the bronze medal.

The competition will be held on three or four mats.

The next day, the Top three pairs for each age group (6 pairs for each Kata) will compete in the Open European Kata Championship.

For each Kata, the pair with most points will be awarded the gold medal and will be the Absolute European Kata Champion, the pair with the second most point will be awarded the silver medal and the third, the bronze medal.

The competition will be held on three mats.

JUDO SHOW EUROPEAN CUP

The show is a technical confrontation of fight simulation containing techniques of judo and self-defense.

- Each show can be composed of 2 to 6 competitors
- Each team of judo show will be judged individually on a performance lasting 2 to 3 minutes.
- Direct competition (no preliminary) until 9 registered team: from 10 team and over the participants will be divided in two groups: the first 3 team from each group will be admitted to the final.
- Should the performance be selected for the finals, it could be carried out with a classical numerical musical support that the candidates will provide to the organizer, during registration.
- During the whole day of competition, the candidates will have to present the same test.



- The accepted equipment is made up with an imitation of traditional weapons of Japanese origin or a gun as in the Kodokan Goshinjutsu.
- The performances are carried out in white judogi in conformity with the regulation of the official competitions.
- Phases of demonstration in slow motion are authorized.

The candidates will have to put forward their technical skills while respecting the judo spirit.

The top three teams with the maximum points will be awarded the gold medal and will be the European Champion, the second will be awarded the silver medal; and the third the Bronze medal.

DRAW

The draw to establish the order of demonstration for each group and Kata will take place the day before the competition: the medalists of the previous European Championships will perform as the last pairs of that group. The draw for the order of the Open Kata Championship will take place in the Sport Hall after the European Kata Championship.

Maximum 2 officials per delegation (country) are allowed in the draw room

1.6 ACCREDITATION

The times and place for check-in and accreditation are specified in the program. A representative of the delegation must arrive and check-in within the time limits provided. **A maximum of 2 representatives per National Federation are allowed in the accreditation room. The head of delegation / representative of the whole delegation**

Accreditation

A list of all the inscribed competitors is generated by the JUMAS system, which is confirmed by the head of delegation that it is the final list.

The EJU accreditation cards for the EC, which are printed from JUMAS, must be presented before each demonstration.

List of entries: The list of entries is confirmed with the EJU official. No inscription will be accepted after the end of the nation control.

Control of Nationality and Age

The evidence of citizenship shall be the production of a passport issued by the country for which the competitor is entered to compete. (Extract IJF SOR Article 13.3.1) **(Each competitor's passport or copy of the passport in case the competitors are still travelling has to be presented to the EJU official. The competitors must not be present at the nationality control.)**

Finances

The federations must be in order with the annual fee and other financial obligations to the EJU. The entry fee per competitor must be paid to the EJU. In order to take part at the competition the national federation must have fulfilled the necessary payments to the organizer and the EJU.

In case there was overpayment, or athletes did not arrive for valid reasons, EJU Treasury shall transfer this difference to the Federation account.

1.7 ORGANIZER FINANCIALS

Once the EJU section of accreditation is finalized, the head of delegation should confirm that all is order with the organiser.

Flag and Anthem control

The head of delegation confirms the flag and anthems which will be used for the medal ceremony.

Organizer Finances

The Organizer checks that all payments for hotel accommodation have been settled. Any pending invoices with the organizer should be settled here. The delegations' departure date, time, number of

people and travel details are also confirmed at this stage. A contact name and number for each delegation should be given.

Delegations who have their financials settled beforehand may use the fast lane.

Accreditation Cards are handed over to Teams after finishing the checks and payments.

1.8 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FEDERATIONS

Medical certificate

The sex certificate and the medical certificate of the competitors are not required. The competitors will compete under the full responsibility of the federations.

Insurance

Each federation is responsible for insuring its competitors against 'injury and third part risk (public liability)' during the period of the championships. The European Judo Union declines all responsibility.

Attitude of the competitors

The federations are responsible vis-à-vis the EJU concerning the general attitude of their competitors.

Image of Athletes

The federations are responsible to have obtained the rights for the EJU to use the competitors image in whichever way it considers it necessary for the promotion of the sport.

Neither the organizer of the event, nor the European Judo Union (nor any of its officials or members) will be liable or responsible for any personal injury nor for any loss or damage to your property arising out of your participation and travelling in connection with these events.

2. Judogi

2.1 JUDO GI

The competitions will be held in white judogi and black belt. All Judogi must be according the EJU / IJF regulations available online through the Judogi Technical and Control Rules in the downloads section (<https://www.eju.net/statutes>).

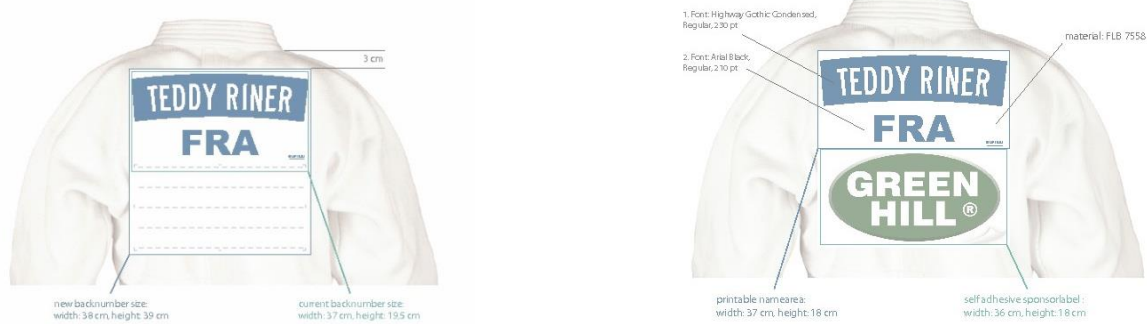
Female contestants shall wear under the jacket either, a plain white or off-white tee-shirt, with short sleeves, rather strong, long enough to be worn inside the trousers, or a plain white or off-white leotard with short sleeves.

- Hygiene
 - The Judogi shall be clean, dry and without unpleasant odour.
 - The nails of the feet and hands shall be cut short.
 - The personal hygiene of the athletes shall be of a high standard
 - Long hair has to be bound with an elastic band.
 - Spectacles, jewellery pieces are prohibited.
 - Make up is not allowed.
 - The Back Numbers will have to be sewn already on the Judogi.

2.2 BACK NUMBERS

The top part of the back number consists of the Surname and Country of the competitors. Should the competitors report to the competition without the official licensed EJU backnumber for Name and Country patch, the competitors will not be allowed to compete. These back numbers can be ordered only from www.mybacknumber.com and www.ijfbacknumber.com . It is important to note that production and delivery takes around 4 weeks. It is the duty of the participating federation / competitors to order this part of the back number in time. The bottom part consists of the Sponsor and the Name of the Event, which will be distributed during the accreditation.

New back identification of athletes 01.01.2011



If the Judogi does not satisfy the above requirements, the athlete will be disqualified from the tournament.

3. JUDGES

3.1 JUDGES

The Competition will be judged by EJU qualified Kata Judges.

The number of judges per Federation is limited to:

Participating countries may enter 4 Judges.

Non participating countries may enter 2 Judges.

The EJU KATA COMMISSION may decide on the number of Judges according to the entries.

Each participating Federation having qualified EJU Judges has to enter at least one judge. Only the judges entered by their Federation can judge. The costs for travelling, board and lodging of the judges are at the costs of the member Federation.

Inscriptions of the Judges have to be sent to the EJU General Secretariat by the date stipulated in Section 5. An inscription form is enclosed as Form 2.

3.2 JUDGES' MEETING

All Judges have to attend the technical meeting the afternoon before the first day of competition to confirm participation as judge in these Championships. Only judges are to attend this meeting. Time and place are stated in the program.

3.3 POINT SYSTEM

EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS / OPEN EUROPEAN KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Each technique and open and closing ceremonies are evaluated with a maximum positive score of 10 points. The positive score is decreased by mistakes. The evaluation of every technique of Kata has to consider the principle and the opportunity of execution: the evaluation (included the open and close ceremony) has to be comprehensive.

Definition of mistakes:

Forgotten technique – score is Zero and the total score of the Kata is halved. If the forgotten technique is more than one, zero score will be given to the technique but the total score will be not halved again. If the halved total value is not a whole number, the score will be rounded up.

Big mistake: when the execution of the principle is incorrect (5 points are deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 1)

Medium Mistake: when one or more elements of the principle are not applied in the correct way (3 points are deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 1).



Small mistake: imperfection in the application of the technique (1 point is deducted and the maximum number of crosses is 2).

For every technique without a big mistake, the minimum score has to be 5. The evaluation of fluidity, course and rhythm represents the global vision of the whole Kata (included the bow): • If there is no big mistake in the Kata, the minimum result will be 5 and the maximum 10.

If there is a big mistake in the Kata (including the bow), the score must not be more than 5.

In case of a forgotten technique, the score or fluidity, course and rhythm is zero.

In the Nage no Kata, right and left techniques will be evaluated globally (only one score).

In case of equal score between pairs, the following criteria will be applied considering the scoring sheets of the 5 Judges:

- Total value of big mistakes - wins who makes less mistakes;
- If still equal, total value of medium mistakes will be considered. - wins the pair who makes less mistakes;
- If still equal, total value of small mistakes will be considered - wins the pair who makes less mistakes;
- If still equal, the score of fluidity will decide. Wins the pair who has a better score.

If two pairs both place 3rd place after the above mentioned criteria, the kata will be repeated in order to assign the medal.

3.4 JUDO SHOW EUROPEAN CUP

The show will be judged on the following criteria:

- efficiency
- precision and variety of the techniques
- choreographies
- originality

The total points accumulated will be the final result.

3.5 SYSTEM OF JUDGING

The Judges are five and will be positioned on the shomen side. They will award points on the official EJU scoring sheet. For each technique the total score of three Judges will be totaled to produce the final score: the maximum score and the minimum score for each technique will be cancelled. The total score of the whole Kata will be the sum of the score totaled by five Judges.

The rule of neutrality will be applied: a couple cannot be judged by a judge of the same Nation. The position of the five judges will be the same for all the competition.

A Judge cannot be a competitor.

The judges shall always be in their position before the arrival of the couple in the competition area.

The judge in the Centre stands up and, with tense arms and palms of the hands turned upward, invites the couple to enter the competition area.

The couple enters and leaves the competition area at the opposite side of shomen: the Start and end of Kata (opening and closing ceremony) is at 10 m or 8 m distance (bow to the mat).

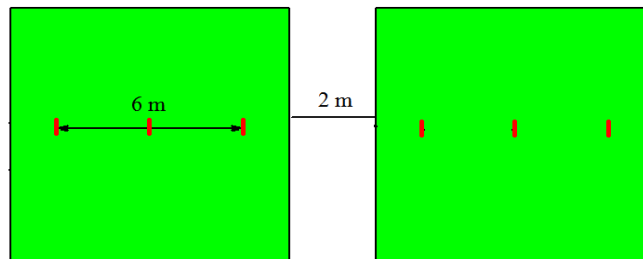
Any behavior of Tori or Uke inside the Competition area that is contrary to the spirit of Kata will reduce the score of the ceremony.

3.6 COMPETITION AREA

The Competition area has dimensions 8 x 8 metres (minimum) or 10 x 10 metres (maximum) and shall be covered by Tatami or similar acceptable material.

The Competition area must be fixed to a resilient floor. When more adjoining competition areas are used, a common safety area of 2 metres is necessary.

A strip of visible color adhesive tape, approximately 10 cm. wide and 50 cm. long, shall be fixed on the centre of the competition area 6 m. apart, to indicate the starting position of Tori and Uke. The centre of the Competition area shall be indicated with a strip adhesive tape of the same color.



3.7 INJURY, ILLNESS and ACCIDENT

When Tori or Uke is unable to continue because of injury, illness or accident during the execution of the Kata, the couple will be considered out of competition.

In case of Minor injury like bloody wound, broken nail or a problem with contact lenses, according to the decision of the judges, the Kata execution will be stopped and the athlete will be assisted by a Doctor out of the competition area.

The competition will continue and the couple will repeat entirely the Kata soon after the last called couple. In case a new Minor injury happens at the same athletes during the second execution of Kata, the couple will be considered out of competition.

In the case that Minor injury happens after a forgotten technique, the couple will be considered out of competition.

4. Local Information

4.1 HALL

The Championships will be held at the Palasport of Lignano Sabbiadoro (UD) viale Europa 142/144

4.2 NEAREST AIRPORT

Airport: Venice "MARCO POLO"

4.3 NEAREST TRAIN STATION

Train station: Latisana

4.4 TRANSPORT

The organizer will provide transfers from airport/train station to hotel and hotel/sports hall/hotel.

The cost per person will be the organizers allow a special connection between the Venice "MARCO POLO" AIRPORT and Lignano Sabbiadoro.

This service is upon payment and must be previously booked.

Info and rates: Sport&School Travel Agency - - www.sportandschool.com

tel. +39 0431 70589 - fax: +39 0431 724728 - prenotazioni@sportandschool.com

Reservations must be sent by e-mail or fax peremptorily by Mai, 08th.

Persons in charge for transport matters Ms. Alessia Clarini mob +39 338 1498262

4.5 OFFICIAL HOTELS

Accommodation must be booked through the organisers. Half board includes breakfast and dinner at official hotels. Lunch will be served in the sports hall during competition days. The organising committee suggests the following hotels:

Delegates accommodated in non-official hotel will pay Accreditation Fee 100 EURO per athlete and delegate

Ge. Tur. Village - Viale Centrale 29 - 33017 Lignano Sabbiadoro (UD) - ITALY

Distance to Competition Hall: 1. km

	<i>Half Board</i>	<i>Full board</i>
<i>Single room</i>	€.85,00	€.90,00
<i>Double room</i>	€.65,00	€.70,00
<i>Triple room</i>	€.60,00	€.65,00

4.6 TICKETS

Entrance to the championships is free.

4.7 MEDIA

Official or EJU recognized media can apply for a Media accreditation. Times and place for Media accreditation are stated in the program. Please use the online link made available in the deadlines section of these rules.

4.8 VISA

For nations, who need VISA to enter ITALY, Form 6 must be submitted until 15th of April 2014. A scanned copy of the first page of the passport is also required.

5. Deadlines & Checklist

5.1 TWO MONTHS BEFORE (27th of March 2014)

Form 1 – Numerical Inscription / Back number order

This form **MUST** be sent by the deadline, as it serves as order for the sponsor back numbers needed for the event and for the organizers to plan well the event.

5.2 ONE MONTH BEFORE (22nd of April 2014)

Entry Fee

The federations must pay an entry fee according to their numerical entry.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: IT 50 J 08356 12502 000000043455
PAYMENT DETAILS: EUCHKATA 2014.
BENEFICIARY BANK: BANCA CREDITO COOPERATIVO PORDENONESE
BRANCH BORGOMEDUNA
SWIFT: ICRAITRR9W0

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The inscription fee is 100 Euro per participant.

[JUDO SHOW EUROPEAN CUP](#)

The inscription fee is 100 Euro per team.

Hotel Reservation Form

The Form of Hotel reservation must be sent to the organizers. Unless payment is received by the date stipulated, the reservation will not be confirmed. Bank details can be found in Section 7 of these rules.

Form 4 – Visa

The organizers will help with obtaining entry visas for competitors and officials. Please specify all information that is needed in the invitation letters for visas.

5.3 MONDAY OF TWO WEEKS BEFORE (5th of May 2014)

Form 2 – Nominal Inscription

Form 2 must be sent to the organizers. The nominal inscriptions must also be entered into Jumas. <https://www.jumas12.net/user/login>. In case the participant (official or competitor) has no Jumas entry, the head of delegation must present an official letter from his/her federation granting the competitor / official permission to participate. In this case, a late inscription fee of €30 per non inscribed delegate will be charged. If the delegates do not have a valid Jumas Card, they will be charged another € 30 per card ordered on site.

Media Inscription

Journalists must send their media inscription through Jumas (please use the dedicated link for Media): <https://www.jumas12.net/media/register>

Form 3 – Judges' inscription

Form 3 must be sent to the EJU and the organizers

Form 6 – Travel Schedule & Transfers

Only delegations arriving in airports / train stations / harbours defined in section 6 and advising the organizers on time will be transferred to the hotel by the organizers.

6. Program (all times are in local time: GMT+1)

<i>Time</i>	PROGRAM <i>(Provisional time schedule)</i>	<i>Place</i>
Thursday 22nd		
	Arrival of EJU DC & EJU Commissions	Hotel Falcone
	Arrival of Kata Judges	Residence "Alle Vele" - Ge.tur. village
Friday 23rd		
	Arrival of Kata Judges	Residence "Alle Vele" - Ge.tur. village
10:00 – 18:00	Accreditation & Organizers Financials	Residence "Alle Vele" - Ge. Tur Village
10:00 – 18:00	Media Accreditation	Residence "Alle Vele" - - Ge. Tur Village
16:00 – 17:00	Judges' Meeting	Residence "Alle Vele" - Ge. Tur Village
18:30	Draw	Residence "Alle Vele" - Ge. Tur Village
Saturday 24th , Day 1		
European Kata Championships		
	European Kata Championships: Nage No Kata Katame No Kata Ju No Kata	Sport Hall
	European Kata Championships: Kime No Kata Kodokan Goshin Jitsu	Sport Hall
	Awards	Sport Hall
Sunday 25th , Day 2		
Open European Kata Championships / Judo Show European Cup		
09:00 – 10:15	Open European Kata Championships: Kime No Kata Katame No Kata Ju No Kata	Sport Hall
10:15 – 11:05	Open European Kata Championships: Nage No Kata Kodokan Goshin Jitsu	Sport Hall
11:10 – 11:40	Opening Ceremony	Sport Hall
11:40 – 12:00	Judo Show European Cup	Sport Hall
12:00	Awards	Sport Hall
Monday 26th		
all day	Departure of the delegations	Official hotels

Attention: The program is provisional. The schedule of the contests may be modified according to the total number of entries

7. Contact Information

7.1 Address & Contact Details of Host Federation & Organising Committee

Host Federation FIJKAM - Italian Judo Federation

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+39.06.56434527

Email: judo.internazionale@fijklkam.it

Local Organising Committee:

Address: ASD POLISPORTIVA VILLANOVA

Tel. Number: 39.0434.570869

Fax Number:

+39.0432.570869

Email: eukata2014lignano@gmail.com

Emergency Contact Details:

In case of travel schedule changes during the last week, please contact

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email: eukata2014lignano@gmail.com

Italian teams: Michela Sartori

mob. +39.346.7985009

email: eukata2014lignano@gmail.com

Bank account details:

ACCOUNT NUMBER: IT 50 J 08356 12502 000000043455

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