

# JJPAU Continental Referee Course 2014

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### ACTIVITY REPORT

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From 28-30 May, 2014 a 3-days Continental Referee Course was held in Havana, Cuba, with 19 participants (16 male, 3 female) from: Bolivia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay. Of these, 16 took exam for a higher referee degree in the Fighting and Duo Systems, and 12 also did so in the Newaza System. The course was given in Spanish and facilitated by Theo **Roncken** (Bolivia, JJIF World A) and Wilson **Alzate** (Colombia, JJIF World B).

The on site course provided 12 hours of intensive training for Fighting, Duo and Newaza with sessions such as: Questions&Answers on Competition Rules; Presentation of other relevant documents (Referee Rules, Competition Organization and Planning); Analysis of video-taped situations; Discussion of test questions; Simulation practice, including Secretariat responsibilities; and real-time practice at the U-21 Championship, which presented seven Fighting and Newaza categories with 17 competitors from 5 countries. First-time participants also took a preliminary on-line Theory Course (May 19-25) allowing them to start the face-to-face sessions with a basic understanding of the Competition Rules.



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With previous authorization from the JJIF Referee Committee, a Theory test was given in Spanish for Continental B/A examination in Fighting/Duo. The one candidate for a World B degree took an additional verbal test to qualify his understanding of the English language and

its specific terminology for JJIF competitions. For Newaza, a similar but separate Theory test was given to candidates, in support of examination at the Regional level. Individual referee



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performance was extensively observed and qualified by both facilitators at the official Pan American Championship (May 31 – June 1). This event presented 25 categories which were disputed by 81 competitors from eight countries. At the World B level, referee performance was additionally evaluated by Javier **Muñoz Carrillo**, a Coach and World B referee from Colombia.

As the host country had not been able to prepare local resources for covering Secretariat tasks, these were met by the Referee Teams designated to each competition area, and acting under the direct coordination of two more experienced referees: Guillermo **Maure** (Cuba) and Carlos Danilo **Viveros** (Bolivia). At the event, 22 referees from eight countries showed a strong sense of team work resulting in a good overall referee performance.



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The following referees positively qualified for a new referee degree (Fighting/Duo Systems):

<b>World B</b>	<b>Continental A</b>	<b>Continental B</b>	<b>Regional</b>
Guillermo Adrián <b>Maure de Haro</b> (Cuba)	Carlos Danilo <b>Viveros Bustos</b> (Bolivia)	Ulises <b>Zamora Morales</b> (Mexico)	<b>Ignacio Fagundez Valdez</b> (Uruguay)
	Hernán <b>Gonzalez Tellez</b> (Cuba)	Karla Xomara <b>Obregón Ríos</b> (Mexico)	
		Kayo <b>Matsuzawa de Herrera</b> (Guatemala)	
		Jorge Arturo <b>Herrera Ardavín</b> (Guatemala)	
		José Armando <b>Céspedes González</b> (Cuba)	
		Waldo <b>Rodríguez Betancourt</b> (Cuba)	
		Carlos Daniel <b>Leandri Baliero</b> (Uruguay)	

The following referees passed their exam for a Regional referee degree in the Newaza System:

Karla Xomara <b>Obregón Ríos</b> (Mexico)	Waldo <b>Rodríguez Betancourt</b> (Cuba)
José Armando <b>Céspedes González</b> (Cuba)	Kayo <b>Matsuzawa de Herrera</b> (Guatemala)
Hernán <b>Gonzalez Tellez</b> (Cuba)	Carlos Danilo <b>Viveros Bustos</b> (Bolivia)
Jorge Arturo <b>Herrera Ardavín</b> (Guatemala)	Mayren <b>Fuentes Hernández</b> (Cuba)

Javier **Muñoz Carrillo** from Colombia (World B) and Mayren **Fuentes Hernández** from Cuba (Continental B) took a refresher's course with positive referee performance at their respective levels. Nicolás **Urbandt** from Argentina (Continental B) did not take the course but was positively evaluated as an acting referee at the Championship. Participants of the course with positive qualifications at their respective national levels are:

Ramón **Martinez Obregón** (Mexico)  
Juan Martín **Lacerda Rolon** (Uruguay)  
Carlos **Pappa** (Uruguay)  
Jorge Washington **Troya Vaca** (Ecuador)

To conclude, two first-time participants took the course without examination. These are:

Carlos Andrés **Zurita Morales** (Ecuador)  
Brandon Angel **Pally Gonzales** (Bolivia)

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