FIE INTERNATIONAL FENCING FEDERATION

BELJAJEVA JULIA



General Information		
Country:	EST	
Gender:	F	
Height:	167	
Weight:	60	
Handedness:	Right-handed	
Date of birth:	1992-07-21	
Education:	Athlet	
Profession:	Athlete	
License:	21071992000	

Further Personal Information		
Family	Husband Ilya Kozyrev	
Residence	Tartu, EST	
Occupation	Athlete, Nurse	
Languages	English, Estonian, Russian	
Higher education	Nursing - Tartu Health Care College: Estonia	

Sport Specific Information		
When and where did you begin this sport?	She took up the sport in 2002.	
Why this sport?	She was very active as a child, and was encouraged to try fencing by her aunt.	
Club / Team	Tartu Kalev: Estonia	
Name of coach	Kaido Kaaberma [national], EST; Natalja Kotova [personal, aunt], EST, from 2002	
Handedness	Right	

General Interest		
Hobbies	Listening to music. (elmar.elu24.ee, 10 Mar 2020)	
Awards and honours	In 2022 she received the Order of the White Star 2nd class in recognition of her services to the Estonian state following her gold medal in the team epee at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo. (sport.delfi.ee, 21 Feb 2022)	
	She and her teammates Erika Kirpu, Irina Embrich, and Katrina Lehis received the Best Female Multiple Athlete Event of Tokyo 2020 prize at the 2021 ANOC [Association of National Olympic Committees] Awards in Crete, Greece. (fie.org, 25 Oct 2021; anocolympic.org, 24 Oct 2021)	
	In 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2021 she was named Best Female Athlete in Tartu, Estonia. (tartu.ee, 14 Jan 2022, 07 Mar 2020; esbl.ee, 18 Jun 2018)	
	She was named Estonia's Best Female Athlete in 2013 and 2017. (esbl.ee, 18 Jun 2018)	
	She was part of Estonia's Team of the Year for 2013, 2014, and 2017. (esbl.ee, 18 Jun 2018; laanlane.ee, 27 Dec 2017)	
	In 2014 she was presented with Estonia's Order of the White Star. (esbl.ee, 18 Jun 2018)	
	She was named Estonia's Best Young Athlete in 2013. (esbl.ee, 18 Jun 2018)	
Milestones	Along with Erika Kirpu, Irina Embrich, and Katrina Lehis, she was part of the women's epee team that won Estonia's first gold medal in fencing at the Olympic Games. They beat the Republic of Korea in the final at the 2020 Games in Tokyo. (SportsDeskOnline, 06 Apr 2022; estonianworld.com, 27 Jul 2021)	