## PART III

## SECTION 1A

## APPENDIX 6

## WORLD RANKING SYSTEM

## [Note: Competition Regulation 31]

## 1. Definition

1.1 The World Ranking and World Junior Ranking are lists of players / pairs in order of strength. There is one list for each of the five Badminton events in the World Ranking and World Junior Ranking. The system used to rank players / pairs is explained below:
1.2 The world team ranking is the list of member associations in order of strength.
1.3 Players / pairs:
1.3.1 win ranking points by playing in tournaments that are graded.
1.3.2 in the World Ranking are ranked if they have played in one or more graded tournaments in the last 52 weeks, or in the World Junior Ranking are ranked if they have played one or more graded tournaments in the last 52 weeks.
1.3.3 win ranking points by playing in and winning matches in tournaments.
1.3.4 the higher the level of tournament, the more points are won.
1.3.5 the further reached in a competition, the more points are won.
1.3.6 can be seeded based on their World Ranking and World Junior Ranking.
1.3.7 can qualify for the Olympic Games and the World Championships based on their World Ranking.
2. Tournaments included in the Rankings
2.1 The World Rankings are compiled from the results of tournaments that are sanctioned by the BWF (except Junior tournaments) held over the last 52 week period. All tournaments eligible, under the criteria at the end of this section, are graded and the details of the grade are published in the International Calendar of Tournaments.
2.2 The World Junior Rankings are compiled from the results of BWF World Ranking tournaments (results from a maximum of three BWF World Ranking sanctioned tournaments may be included in a junior player's World Junior Ranking) and the junior tournaments that are sanctioned by the BWF held over the last 52 week period. All tournaments eligible, under the criteria at the end of this section, are graded and the details of the grade are published in the International Calendar and Junior Calendar of Tournaments.
3. World Ranking and World Junior Ranking Lists
3.1 The Rankings are published on a Thursday every week. The complete Ranking lists are available on the BWF web site: www.bwfbadminton.com.

## 4. Points system

4.1 Players/pairs win points according to how far they progress in the draw of a particular event.
4.2 If a player/pair:
4.2.1 had a bye in the first round and lost in the second round - they receive first round loser's points.
4.2.2 had a bye in the first round, won in the second round and lost in the third round - they receive third round loser's points.
4.2.3 had a walkover in the first round and lost in the second round - they receive second round loser's points.
4.2.4 had a bye in the first round, walkover in the second round and lost in the third round they receive third round loser's points.
4.2.5 in tournament levels 3 and 4 had a wildcard entry and lost in the first round they receive no world ranking points.
4.2.6 in a tournament with rounds in group play (pool matches) they will receive points according to the finishing position in the group, equal to the equivalent finishing position in a knock out format tournament.

- For example, a player/pair finishing in fourth place in a group in a draw containing eight groups of four would receive round of 64 loser's points;


## Eight groups of four are played.

- Number 1 in the group proceeds to the knockout stage, playing for position 1, 2, 3/4 and $5 / 8$
- Number 2 in the group would receive position 9/16 world ranking points
- Number 3 in the group would receive position $17 / 32$ world ranking points
- Number 4 in the group would receive positions 33/64 world ranking points.
4.3 Where the BWF disciplinary committee cancels a match due to a breach of GCR Appendix 5 then the World Ranking points will be removed from that player/pair.
4.4 In the World Championships or a Level 2 event, if a player or pair withdraws or retires from a match played against a player or pair from the same member association they will not receive ranking points for that tournament.


## 5. Ranking

5.1 World Ranking - 10 or fewer World Ranking tournaments in the last 52 weeks

If a player or pair has competed in the same event at 10 or fewer World Ranking tournaments then the ranking is worked out by adding the points won at the tournaments.
5.2 World Ranking - $\mathbf{1 1}$ or more World Ranking tournaments in the last $\mathbf{5 2}$ weeks

If a player or pair has competed in the same event at 11 or more World Ranking tournaments, only the 10 highest points scored in the tournaments during the previous 52 week period count towards their ranking.
5.3 If a player or pair has competed in the same event at seven or fewer World Junior Ranking tournaments then the ranking is worked out by adding the points won at the tournaments. Up to a maximum of three BWF sanctioned World Ranking tournaments shall be included in the player or pair's World Junior Ranking.
5.4 If a player or pair has competed in the same event at eight or more World Junior Ranking tournaments, on the seven highest points scored in the tournaments during the previous 52 week period count towards their World Junior Ranking, of which a maximum of three BWF sanctioned World Ranking tournaments shall be included in the player or pair's World Junior Ranking.

### 5.5 Tournaments included in World Junior Rankings

- Up to three BWF sanctioned World Ranking tournaments
- World Junior Championships
- BWF sanctioned Junior tournaments
- Individual Junior Continental Championships


## 6. Points lists

6.1 Players / pairs are ranked using points. The player / pair with the highest calculated points will be ranked number one and so on.
6.2 If two or more players / pairs have identical points, then the players / pairs who have played in the most tournaments will be ranked higher. If players / pairs have identical points and have played in an identical number of tournaments, then these players / pairs are ranked equal. For example, if five players are ranked 1 to 5 , and then there are three players with equal points and number of tournaments, the ranking would be: $1,2,3,4,5,6,6,6,9,10$, etc.
6.3 The tables that follow show the points awarded in BWF-sanctioned tournaments.

|  | Winner | Runner <br> Up | $* \mathbf{3 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{3 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{6 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{1 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 9 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{2 5 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 7 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{5 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 1 3 /}$ <br> $\mathbf{1 0 2 4}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BWF Tournaments <br> BWF World <br> Championships and <br> Olympic Games) <br> 12000 | 10200 | 8400 | 6600 | 4800 | 3000 | 1200 | 600 | 240 | 120 | 60 |  |
| BWF Superseries Finals <br> Superseries Premier ** | 11000 | 9350 | 7700 | 6050 | 4320 | 2660 | 1060 | 520 |  |  |  |
| Superseries | 9200 | 7800 | 6420 | 5040 | 3600 | 2220 | 880 | 430 |  |  |  |
| Grand Prix Gold | 7000 | 5950 | 4900 | 3850 | 2750 | 1670 | 660 | 320 | 130 | 60 | 30 |
| Grand Prix | 5500 | 4680 | 3850 | 3030 | 2110 | 1290 | 510 | 240 | 100 | 45 | 30 |
| International Challenge | 4000 | 3400 | 2800 | 2200 | 1520 | 920 | 360 | 170 | 70 | 30 | 20 |
| International Series | 2500 | 2130 | 1750 | 1370 | 920 | 550 | 210 | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| Future Series | 1700 | 1420 | 1170 | 920 | 600 | 350 | 130 | 60 | 20 | 10 | 5 |

* At the Olympic Games $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ place will receive 9200 points. Fourth place will receive 8400 points.
** At BWF Superseries Finals - for tournaments with rounds in group play (pool matches) please refer to regulation 4.2.6
6.4 World Junior Ranking point table.

|  | Winner | Runner Up | $\mathbf{3 / 4}$ | $\mathbf{5 / 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 / 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 / 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 / 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 / 1 2 8}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| World Junior Championships |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Youth Olympic Games | 6000 | 5100 | 4200 | 3300 | 2400 | 1500 | 600 | 300 |
| Asia Junior Championships | 4600 | 3900 | 3210 | 2520 | 1800 | 1100 | 440 | 215 |
| European Junior Championships |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Junior International Grand Prix Tournaments | 3500 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Junior International Challenge Tournaments | 2500 | 2125 | 1750 | 1375 | 960 | 585 | 230 | 110 |
| Junior International Series Tournaments | 2000 | 1700 | 1400 | 1100 | 760 | 460 | 180 | 85 |
| Africa, Pan Am, and Oceania Junior <br> Championships | 1250 | 1065 | 875 | 685 | 460 | 275 | 105 | 50 |
| Junior Future Series | 850 | 710 | 585 | 460 | 300 | 175 | 65 | 30 |

Continental Confederations are allocated tournaments as follows:

- Badminton Asia Confederation
- Base level tournament: Junior International Series
- Up to two (2) Junior International Grand Prix tournaments
- Up to three (3) Junior International Challenge tournaments
- Badminton Europe
- Base level tournament: Junior International Series
- A total of three (3) tournaments made up of:
- A maximum of two (2) Junior Grand Prix tournaments; and
- A maximum of two (2) Junior International Challenge tournaments.
- PanAm Badminton Confederation
- Base level tournament: Junior Future Series
- Up to two (2) tournaments at the Africa, Pan Am, and Oceania Championships level
- Africa and Oceania
- Base level tournament: Junior Future Series
- Up to one (1) tournament at the Africa, Pan Am, and Oceania Championships level.


### 6.4.1 Eligibility.

- Players must be under 19 years of age to be eligible in the World Junior Ranking.
- Once players are no longer eligible to play in U19 Competition they will be removed from the World Junior Rankings.
- In doubles, players will be ranked as individuals and not as pairs.


### 6.5 World Championships \& Olympic Games

- World Championships \& Olympic Games are rated as BWF tournaments.
6.6 Continental Championships/Continental Multi Sports Games Individual Championships
6.6.1 Individual Championships
- Asian Championships are graded as a BWF World Superseries
- European Championships are graded as a Grand Prix Gold
- Oceania Championships are graded as a Grand Prix
- Pan American Championships are graded as a Grand Prix
- African Championships are graded as an International Challenge
6.6.1.1 At the request of the Continental Confederation, points earned in the Continental Multi-sport Games Individual Championships can be included in the World Ranking instead of Continental Individual Championships as specified in 6.6.1 above. The Continental Confederations shall ensure that such Multi-sport Games Individual Championships follow similar competition regulations as the Continental Individual Championships.
6.6.1.2 The level of tournament for the ranking points purposes shall be the same as specified in 6.6.1.1.


## 7. Team Championships point calculation / Continental Multi- Sports Games Team Championships

7.1 Team Championships that are included in the World Ranking are:

- Continental Team Championships
- Sudirman Cup
- Continental stage of the Thomas \& Uber Cups
- Finals stage of Thomas \& Uber Cups
7.1.1 At the request of the Continental Confederation, points earned in the Continental Multisport Games Team Championships can be included in the World Ranking instead of Continental Team Championships as specified in 7.1 above. The Continental Confederations shall ensure that such Multi-sport Games Team Championships follow similar competition regulations as the Continental Team Championships.
7.1.2 The level of tournament for the ranking points purposes shall be the same as specified in 7.1.1.
7.2 Players / pairs can only win points for their best result in a 52 week period in any of the above team Championships.
7.2.1 If a player / pair win a match, they get their average (calculation of average is shown below) plus the sum of the total ranking points of their opponent(s) divided by 100.
7.2.2 If a player / pair lose a match, they get their average (see calculation below).
7.2.3 If a player / pair win a match, but do not have a World Ranking, then they win one point plus the sum of the total ranking points of their opponent(s) divided by 100.
7.2.4 If a player / pair lose a match and do not have a World Ranking, then they win no points
7.2.5 If a player / pair win a match, but they do not have a World Ranking and their opponent(s) do not have a World Ranking, then they get two points.


### 7.3 Average:

### 7.3.1 If a player / pair has played in fewer than $\mathbf{1 1}$ tournaments in the last $\mathbf{5 2}$ weeks

Divide the points won by the number of tournaments played in.

### 7.3.2 If a player / pair has played in $\mathbf{1 1}$ or more tournaments in the last $\mathbf{5 2}$ weeks

Divide the 10 best points won by 10

## Example of the logic used to calculate a World Ranking



## 8. World Team Ranking

The BWF World Team Ranking system is to measure the overall strength of players from all Member Associations participating in BWF sanctioned tournaments. The Member Associations are ranked based on the results achieved by their players and their teams; the team earning highest number of ranking points being ranked the highest. The system used to rank the teams is explained below.
8.1 World Team Ranking points are awarded to a highest ranked player / pair from each Member Association in each of the five Badminton events i.e. Men's Singles (MS), Women's Singles (WS), Men's Doubles (MD), Women's Doubles (WD) and Mixed Doubles (XD) based on their world ranking as per the recently published BWF World Ranking.
8.2 World Team Ranking points are also awarded for the Member Association's finishing position in the most recently held Thomas and Uber Cups, or Sudirman Cup.
8.3 Where there is a pair competing together in the World Ranking from two different Member Associations and one or both players are ranked highest for their respective Member Associations, General Competition Regulation 12.5.1 shall be applied. A Member Association's Team Ranking points in such cases will include the eligible player's points from the mixed member association pair and the points from the next eligible highest ranked player to determine
their notional ranking points after applying the procedure in General Competition Regulations 12.5.1.
8.4 The world team ranking is published on a quarterly basis on first Thursday of April, July, October and January. The complete World Team Ranking list is available on the BWF website: www.bwfbadminton.com
8.5 The World Team Rankings are compiled from the points allocated in a 52 week period as shown in the tables below:

Table A - Table showing points to be awarded to the Member Associations for the highest rank of the player / pair of that country in the BWF World Ranking list.

| Event |  | Points to be awarded to the teams based on the BWF World Rank of the player / pair |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Top 3 <br> WR | Top 10 <br> WR | Top 20 <br> WR | Top 50 <br> WR | Top 100 <br> WR | Top 200 <br> WR | Top 500 <br> WR | Below <br> WR 500 |  |
|  | MS | 1500 | 1200 | 1000 | 750 | 500 | 250 | 100 | 10 |  |
|  | WS | 1500 | 1200 | 1000 | 750 | 500 | 250 | 100 | 10 |  |
|  | MD | 1500 | 1200 | 1000 | 500 | 250 | 125 | 50 | 5 |  |
|  | WD | 1500 | 1200 | 1000 | 500 | 250 | 125 | 50 | 5 |  |
|  | MX | 1500 | 1200 | 1000 | 500 | 250 | 125 | 50 | 5 |  |

Table B - Table showing points to be awarded to the finalists in Thomas \& Uber Cups based on their ranking in each of the Competition

| Team rank | Thomas and Uber Cups |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2500 |
| 2 | 2000 |
| $3 / 4$ | 1500 |
| $5 / 8$ | 1000 |
| $9 / 12$ | 750 |
| $13 / 16$ | 500 |

Table C - Table showing points to be awarded to the teams participating in the continental stage of Thomas and Uber Cups in each continent based on their ranking in each Competition.

| Rank | Teams from Europe | Rank | Teams from Asia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | MA qualified to finals | 1 | MA qualified to finals |
| 2 | MA qualified to finals | 2 | MA qualified to finals |
| 3 | MA qualified to finals | 3 | MA qualified to finals |
| 4 | If MA not qualified to finals |  |  |
|  | 600 | 4 | If MA not qualified to finals <br> 650 |
| $5-6$ | 567.50 | 5 | 625 |
| $7-12$ | 437.50 | 6 | 600 |
| $13-18$ | 287.50 | $7-8$ | 467.50 |
| $19-24$ | 137.50 | $9-12$ | 387.50 |
| $25-26$ | 37.50 | $13-18$ | 325.00 |


| Rank | Teams from Pan <br> Am | Rank | Teams from Africa | Rank | Teams from Oceania |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | MA qualified to <br> finals | 1 | MA qualified to finals | 1 | MA qualified to finals |
| 2 | 400 | 2 | 300 | 2 | 300 |
| 3 | 375 | $3-4$ | 287.50 | 3 | 275 |
| 4 | 350 | $5-8$ | 187.50 | 4 | 250 |
| $5-6$ | 312.5 | $9-11$ | 100.00 | 5 | 225 |
| $7-8$ | 262.5 |  |  |  |  |
| $9-10$ | 212.50 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | 175.00 |  |  |  |  |

Table D - Table showing points to be awarded to the teams participating in the Sudirman Cup based on their ranking in the Competition.

| Team rank | Sudirman Cup |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 5000 |
| 2 | 4000 |
| 3/4 | 3000 |
| 5/8 | 2000 |
| 9/12 | 1500 |
| 13 | 1250 |
| 14 | 1225 |
| 15 | 1200 |
| 16 | 1175 |
| 17 | 1150 |
| 18 | 1125 |
| 19 | 1100 |
| 20 | 1075 |
| 21 | 1050 |
| 22 | 1025 |
| 23 | 1000 |
| 24 | 975 |
| 25 | 950 |
| 26 | 925 |
| 27 | 900 |
| 28 | 875 |
| 29 | 850 |
| 30 | 825 |
| 31 | 800 |
| 32 | 775 |
| 33 | 750 |
| 34 | 725 |
| 35 | 700 |
| 36 | 675 |
| 37 | 650 |
| 38 | 625 |
| 39 | 600 |
| 40 | 575 |
| 41 | 550 |
| 42 | 525 |
| 43 | 500 |
| 44 | 475 |
| 45 | 450 |
| 46 | 425 |
| 47 | 400 |
| 48 | 375 |
| 49 | 350 |
| 50 | 325 |

## 9. Criteria for World Ranking Tournaments

9.1 Tournaments concluded within 52 week period complying with the following criteria shall be included in the World Ranking:
9.1.1 Results of the latest tournaments.
9.1.2 Only one BWF World Championship.
9.1.3 Only one Continental Championship from each continent.
9.1.4 Not more than four tournaments within a country in the following way:

|  | Level 2 | Level 3 |  | Level 4 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Superseries \& Premier Superseries | $\begin{gathered} \text { Grand } \\ \text { Prix Gold } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Grand } \\ & \text { Prix } \end{aligned}$ | International Challenge | International Series | Futures Series |
| Number of tournaments included in WR in a 52 week period per Member Association | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

### 9.2 Criteria for World Junior Ranking Tournaments

Tournaments concluded within 52-week period complying with the following criteria shall be included in the World Junior Ranking:
9.2.1 Results of the latest tournaments;
9.2.2 Maximum three BWF Ranking tournaments;
9.2.3 Only one BWF World Junior Championship;
9.2.4 Only one Continental Junior Championship from each continent; and
9.2.5 Only one tournament within a country.

## 10. Entries

10.1 The main competition must include Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles. However, the BWF reserves the right to accept tournaments which do not comply with this requirement.
10.2 The number of entries in each event draw in the main competition must be at least:
Men's Singles
8 Players

| Women's Singles | 8 Players |
| :--- | :--- |
| Men's Doubles | 8 Pairs |
| Women's Doubles | 8 Pairs |
| Mixed Doubles | 8 Pairs |

10.3 In both World Rankings and World Junior Rankings if the minimum number of entries is not met in an event, that event will not be included in the World Ranking or World Junior Ranking. Example: if Women's Singles had six entries only in the draw, but the other events had 10, Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles would be included, but not Women's Singles. If this happens the Events Committee also reserves the right not to accept the tournament for World ranking or World Junior Ranking in the following year.
10.4 In the World Ranking the main draw competition must include at least one entry from a Member Association other than the host Member Association of that event will not be included in the World Ranking.

## 11. Organisation

11.1 Separation of players between the qualifying and main draws to be according to the BWF Competition Regulations.
11.2 Seeding to be according to the BWF Competition Regulations.
11.3 Vacancies in the draw to be filled according to the latest World Ranking and World Junior Ranking as per timelines specified in Appendix 8. (Refer Part III - Section 1A, Appendix 8).
11.4 Draw to be made according to the BWF Competition Regulations.
11.5 Draw to be made as per timelines specified in Appendix 8. (Refer Part III - Section 1A, Appendix 8).
11.6 Referee for Superseries and World Grand Prix tournaments to be appointed by the BWF.
11.7 For level 4 and junior tournaments, Continental Confederations to be responsible for making the draw and appointing the Referee.

## 12. Results

12.1 The draw must be e-mailed to BWF, via the stipulated software file, as soon as it has been made.
12.2 The results must be e-mailed to the BWF, using the stipulated software file on a daily basis showing full player names, Member Associations who have entered the players, and the BWF numbers where players have them.
12.3 Final results must be e-mailed to the BWF within 24 hours of the conclusion of the event, using the stipulated software file. In case of contingency, the print out of the updated draws must be faxed within the stipulated time. Those not received will be excluded from the World Ranking.

