

**PART III****SECTION 1A****APPENDIX 6****WORLD RANKING SYSTEM**  
**[Note: Competition Regulation 30]****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 two 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.org](http://www.bwfbadminton.org).

**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.

## 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 - 11 or more World Ranking tournaments in the last 52 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, only 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 (refer table 6.4)  
 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. So, if say 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 Up	*3/4	5/8	9/16	17/32	33/64	65/128	129/256	257/512	513/1024
<b>BWF Tournaments (BWF World Championships and Olympic Games)</b>	12000	10200	8400	6600	4800	3000	1200	600	240	120	60
<b>BWF Superseries Finals Superseries Premier **</b>	11000	9350	7700	6050	4320	2660	1060	520			
<b>Superseries</b>	9200	7800	6420	5040	3600	2220	880	430			
<b>Grand Prix Gold</b>	7000	5950	4900	3850	2750	1670	660	320	130	60	30
<b>Grand Prix</b>	5500	4680	3850	3030	2110	1290	510	240	100	45	30
<b>International Challenge</b>	4000	3400	2800	2200	1520	920	360	170	70	30	20
<b>International Series</b>	2500	2130	1750	1370	920	550	210	100	40	20	10
<b>Future Series</b>	1700	1420	1170	920	600	350	130	60	20	10	5

\* At the Olympic Games 3<sup>rd</sup> 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	3/4	5/8	9/16	17/32	33/64	65/128
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 and Upgraded Asian International Tournaments (max 2)	3500	2975	2450	1925	1375	835	330	160
Upgraded European Junior International Tournaments (max 2)	2500	2125	1750	1375	960	585	230	110
Asian & European Junior International Tournaments	2000	1700	1400	1100	760	460	180	85
Africa, Pan Am and Oceania Continental Junior championships	1250	1065	875	685	460	275	105	50

Africa, Pan Am and Oceania Junior International Tournaments.	850	710	585	460	300	175	65	30
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Badminton Asia Confederation may select up to two tournaments to upgrade to European Junior Championships level, and up to three tournaments to the upgraded European Tournaments level as stated in World Junior ranking table above.

Badminton Europe can select up to three tournaments to upgrade to the upgraded Asian and European International Tournament 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 BWF World Superseries
- European Championships are graded as Grand Prix Gold
- Oceania Championships are graded as Grand Prix
- Pan American Championships are graded as Grand Prix
- African Championships are graded as 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-sport Games Team Championships

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

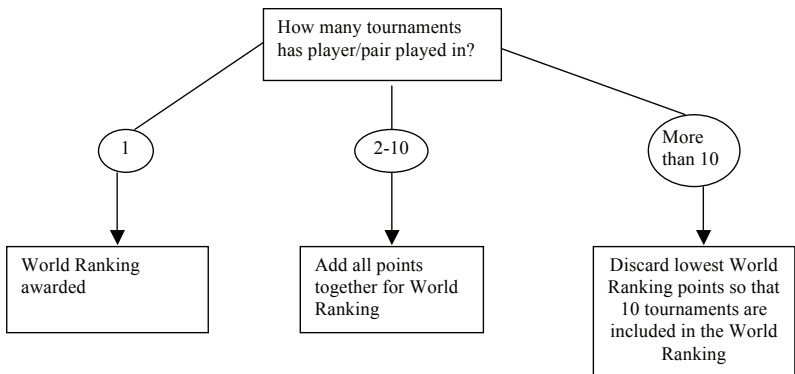
- Continental Team Championships
- Sudirman Cup
- Continental stage of the Thomas & Uber Cups
- Thomas & Uber Cups Final stage

7.1.1 At the request of the Continental Confederation, points earned in the Continental Multi-sport 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 one 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 11 tournaments in the last 52 weeks:**  
Divide the points won by the number of tournaments played in.
- 7.3.2 **If a player / pair has played in 11 or more tournaments in the last 52 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 Regulations 12.6.1 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 12.6.1.
- 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.org](http://www.bwfbadminton.org)
- 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 WR	Top 10 WR	Top 20 WR	Top 50 WR	Top 100 WR	Top 200 WR	Top 500 WR	Below 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 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 AM	Rank	Teams from Africa	Rank	Teams from Oceania
1	MA qualified to 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
¾	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 and Superseries	Grand Prix Gold	Grand Prix	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	1	0	1
	1	0	0	1	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 two BWF Ranking tournaments (Refer 6.4);
- 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 6 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 or that event will not be included in the World Ranking.

## 11. Organisation

- 11.1 Separation of players / pairs 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 1B, 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 1B, 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.

## 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.