



## 1. Definition and structure

- 1.1 The World Ranking is a list of Players / pairs in order of strength. There is one list for each of the five Badminton Events in the World Ranking. The system used to rank Players / pairs is explained below:
- 1.2 Players / pairs:
  - 1.2.1 win ranking points by playing in Tournaments that are graded.
  - 1.2.2 in the World Ranking are ranked if they have played in one or more graded Tournaments in the last 52 weeks.
  - 1.2.3 win ranking points by playing in and winning matches in Tournaments.
  - 1.2.4 the higher the level of Tournament, the more points are won.
  - 1.2.5 the further reached in a competition, the more points are won.
  - 1.2.6 can be seeded based on their World Ranking.
  - 1.2.7 can qualify for the Olympic Games and the World Championships based on their World Ranking.
- 1.3 If a Player formally retires, the Player will be removed from the World Ranking
- 1.4 If a Player is suspended from participating in BWF Sanctioned Tournaments due to disciplinary sanctions or other reasons for one year or longer, the Player will be removed from the 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 Points from a sanctioned Tournament will stay on the World Rankings until the next same sanctioned Tournament (same grade and level) is held, for 52 weeks, or whichever comes first.

## 3. World Ranking Lists publication

The World Rankings are published on a Tuesday every week. The complete Ranking lists are available on the BWF web site: [www.bwfbadminton.com](http://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 a Tournament had a wildcard entry and lost in the first round they receive no world ranking points.
- 4.2.6 participate 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.

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- Number 1 and 2 in the group proceeds to the knockout stage, playing for position 1, 2, and 3-4
- Number 3 in the group would receive position 5-6 world ranking points
- Number 4 in the group would receive position 7-8 world ranking points

- 4.3 Where the BWF disciplinary committee cancels a match due to a breach of disciplinary regulations 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.

## **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 table that follows shows 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>Grade 1 - BWF Tournaments (BWF World Championships and Olympic Games)</b> | 13000  | 11000     | 9200  | 7200 | 5200 | 3200  | 1300  | 650    | 260     | 130     | 65       |
| <b>Grade 2 – BWF World Tour – Level 1 (Finals) and Level 2</b>               | 12000  | 10200     | 8400  | 6600 | 4800 | 3000  | 1200  | 600    | 240     | 120     | 60       |
| <b>Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 3</b>                                     | 11000  | 9350      | 7700  | 6050 | 4320 | 2660  | 1060  | 520    | 210     | 100     | 50       |
| <b>Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 4</b>                                     | 9200   | 7800      | 6420  | 5040 | 3600 | 2220  | 880   | 430    | 170     | 80      | 40       |
| <b>Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 5</b>                                     | 7000   | 5950      | 4900  | 3850 | 2750 | 1670  | 660   | 320    | 130     | 60      | 30       |
| <b>Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 6</b>                                     | 5500   | 4680      | 3850  | 3030 | 2110 | 1290  | 510   | 240    | 100     | 45      | 30       |
| <b>Grade 3 – International Challenge</b>                                     | 4000   | 3400      | 2800  | 2200 | 1520 | 920   | 360   | 170    | 70      | 30      | 20       |
| <b>Grade 3 – International Series</b>  | 2500   | 2130      | 1750  | 1370 | 920  | 550   | 210   | 100    | 40      | 20      | 10       |
| <b>Grade 3 – 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 10100 points. Fourth place will receive 9200 points.

\*\* At BWF World Tour Finals – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the group will receive 7500 points. 4<sup>th</sup> place will receive 6600 points.

#### 6.4 World Championships & Olympic Games

World Championships & Olympic Games are rated as BWF Tournaments.

#### 6.5 Continental Championships/Continental Multi Sports Games Individual Championships

##### 6.5.1 Individual Championships

- Asian Championships are graded as a Grade 2, Level 2
- European Championships are graded as a Grade 2, Level 4
- Pan American Championships are graded as a Grade 2, Level 5
- Oceania Championships are graded as a Grade 3, International Challenge
- African Championships are graded as a Grade 3, International Challenge

6.5.1.1. Points earned in the Continental Multi-Sport Games Individual Championships where badminton is included on the program will be included in the World Ranking as well as the Continental Individual Championships as specified in clause 6.5.1 above. The Continental Confederations shall ensure that such Multi-Sport Games Individual Championships follow similar competition regulations as the Continental Individual Championships.

6.5.1.2. The level of Tournament for Continental Multi-Sport Games Individual Championships within each Continent for the ranking points purposes shall be the same as specified in clause 6.5.1.

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

- 7.1. Team Tournaments that are included in the World Ranking are:
- Continental Team Championships
  - BWF World Team Championships (Sudirman Cup Final stage)
  - Continental stage of the BWF Men's & Women's World Team Championships (Continental stage of the Thomas & Uber Cups)
  - BWF Men's & Women's World Team Championships (Thomas & Uber Cups Final stage)
  - FISU University Games Team and Individual Championships
- 7.1.1. At the request of the Continental Confederation, points earned in the Continental Multi-Sport Games Team Tournaments 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 Tournaments follow similar competition regulations as the Continental Team Championships.
- 7.2. Players / pairs can only win points for their best result in a 52-week period in any of the above Team Tournaments.

### Players / Pairs with World Ranking Points

- 7.2.1. If a Player / pair win a match, they get their average World Ranking points (calculation of average is shown below) plus the sum of the total ranking World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points of their opponent(s) divided by 100.
- 7.2.2. If a Player / pair lose a match, they get their average World Ranking points (calculation of average is shown below).

### Pairs with Notional Ranking Points

- 7.2.3. If a pair with Notional ranking points win a match, they get their Notional ranking points plus the sum of the total World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points of their opponents divided by 100.
- 7.2.4. If a pair with Notional ranking points lose a match, they get their Notional ranking points divided by 10.

### Pairs with Adjusted Ranking Points

- 7.2.5. If a pair with Adjusted ranking points win a match, they get their Adjusted ranking points plus the sum of the total World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points of their opponents divided by 100.
- 7.2.6. If a pair with Adjusted ranking points lose a match, they get their Adjusted ranking points divided by five for pairs who have played between one and five tournaments, or divided by the number of tournaments played in, if six or seven.

### Players / Pairs without any Ranking Points

- 7.2.7. If a Player / pair win a match, but they do not have any World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points and their opponent(s)

have World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points, they get the average World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points of their opponent(s) divided by 100.

7.2.8. If a Player / pair win a match, but they do not have any World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points, and their opponent(s) also do not have any World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points, they get two points.

7.2.9. If a Player / pair lose a match, but they do not have any World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points, and their opponent(s) also do not have any World Ranking points/Notional ranking points/Adjusted ranking points, they win no points.

### 7.3. Average:

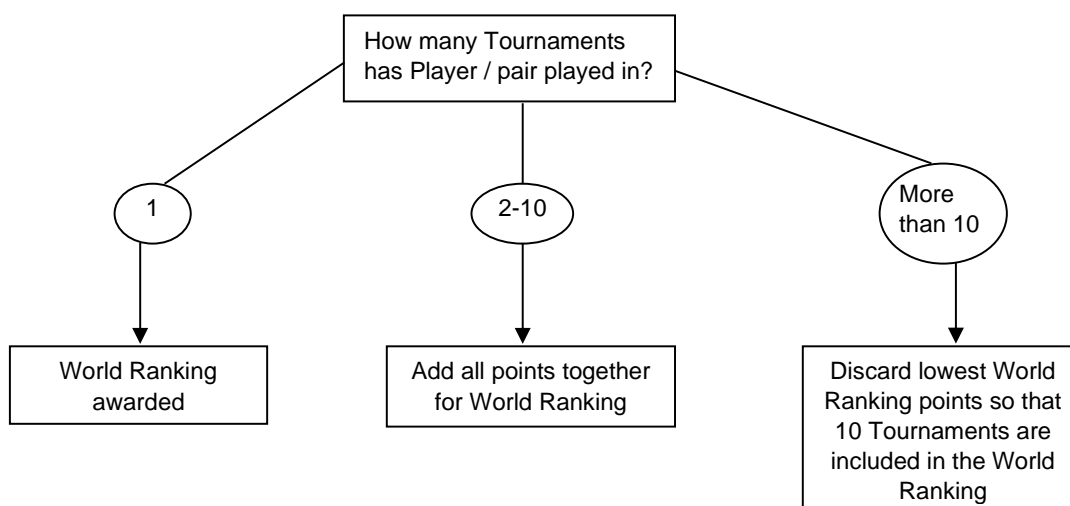
7.3.1. **If a Player / pair has played in fewer than 11 Tournaments in the last 52 weeks**

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. Criteria for World Ranking Tournaments

8.1. Tournaments concluded within 52-week period complying with the following criteria shall be included in the World Ranking:

8.1.1. Results of the latest Tournaments.

8.1.2. Only one BWF World Championship.

8.1.3. Only one Continental Championship (Individual) from each continent.

8.1.4. Only one Continental Multi-Sport Games Individual Championship from each continent.

## 9. Entries

9.1 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.

9.2 The number of entries in each Event draw in the main competition (first published version of the main draw) 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   |

- 9.3 In World Rankings if the minimum number of entries is not met in an Event (clause 9.2), that Event will not be included in the World 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 BWF also reserves the right not to accept the Tournament for World ranking in the following year.
- 9.4 In order to count for the World Ranking the main draw competition of each Event (first published version of the main draw) must include at least one entry from a Member other than the host Member of that Tournament or that Event will not be included in the World Ranking.