



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

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.

- 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.

- 4.4 In the World Championships, Grade 2 – Levels 2-4 tournaments, and Continental Confederation Individual Championships/Continental Multi Sports Games Individual Championships, if a Player / pair withdraws or retires from a match played against a Player / pair from the same Member they will not receive World 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 - 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
Grade 1 - BWF Tournaments (BWF World Championships and Olympic Games)	13000	11000	9200	7200	5200	3200	1300	650	260	130	65
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour – Level 1 (Finals) and Level 2	12000	10200	8400	6600	4800	3000	1200	600	240	120	60
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 3	11000	9350	7700	6050	4320	2660	1060	520	210	100	50
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 4	9200	7800	6420	5040	3600	2220	880	430	170	80	40
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 5	7000	5950	4900	3850	2750	1670	660	320	130	60	30
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 6	5500	4680	3850	3030	2110	1290	510	240	100	45	30
Grade 3 – International Challenge	4000	3400	2800	2200	1520	920	360	170	70	30	20
Grade 3 – International Series	2500	2130	1750	1370	920	550	210	100	40	20	10
Grade 3 – Future Series	1700	1420	1170	920	600	350	130	60	20	10	5

* At the Olympic Games 3rd place will receive 10100 points. Fourth place will receive 9200 points.

** At BWF World Tour Finals – for Tournaments with rounds in group play (pool matches) please refer to clause 4.2.6

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)
- 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.

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 1 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 2 points.

7.3. **Average:**

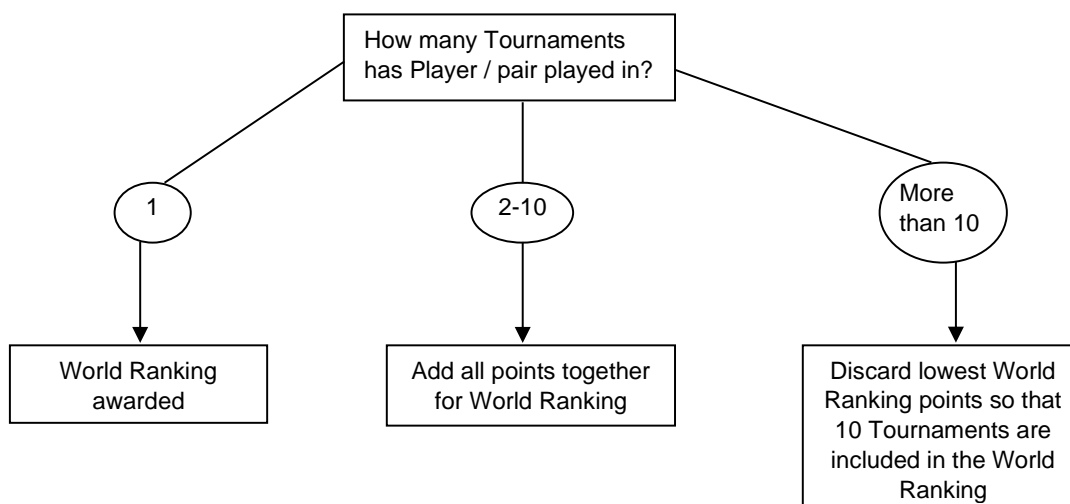
7.3.1. **If a Player / pair has played in fewer than 11 Tournaments in the last 52 weeks**

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.