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**RANKING BYLAW**

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## WT Ranking Bylaw:

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**Article 1:**

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**Fundamental Principles**

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- 1 Ranking system shall be applied to all WT-promoted and recognized championships and Multi-sport Games or to the event determined by the WT, provided that the championships are organized in compliance with WT Competition Rules under supervision of the WT Technical Delegate, on an individual basis in the eight (8) weight categories or four (4) Olympic weight categories (men and women) of senior division that are defined in the WT Competition Rules.
- 2 WT Ranking shall be published in two documents: WT World Ranking and WT Olympic Ranking. WT World Ranking is the ranking of eight (8) senior weight categories for men and women, respectively; and WT Olympic Ranking is the ranking of four (4) Olympic weight categories for men and women, respectively.
  - 2.1 When an athlete competes in WT promoted or recognized tournaments:
    - 2.1.1 WT World Ranking: Points earned by athletes are allocated to the World Ranking Weight Categories in which he/she competes at the WT recognized event. WT will publish a ranking for each weight categories and it is possible for an athlete to be ranked in several categories.
    - 2.1.2 WT Olympic Ranking: Ranking is built by cumulating points made in a World Weight Categories and two (2) adjacent World Weight Categories (for example the Olympic ranking -58kg is calculated by cumulating the points earned in -54kg, -58kg and -63kg)

Men's division			Women's division		
World	→	Olympic	World	→	Olympic
-54, -58, -63kg	→	-58kg	-46, -49, -53kg	→	-49kg
-63, -68, -74kg	→	-68kg	-53, -57, -62kg	→	-57kg
-74, -80, -87kg	→	-80kg	-62, -67, -73kg	→	-67kg
-80, -87, +87kg	→	+80kg	-67, -73, +73kg	→	+67kg

- 2.2 If an athlete competes in Olympic weight category tournaments:
  - 2.2.1 WT World Ranking: Ranking points shall be recorded as follows.

Men's division			Women's division		
Olympic	→	World	Olympic	→	World
-58kg	→	-58kg	-49kg	→	-49kg
-68kg	→	-68kg	-57kg	→	-57kg
-80kg	→	-80kg	-67kg	→	-67kg
+80kg	→	+87kg	+67kg	→	+73kg

- 2.2.2 WT Olympic Ranking: Ranking points shall be awarded to the athlete in the weight category in which the athlete actually competed.

**3. Choice of Olympic weight category**

- 3.1 The choice of the Olympic Weight Category can be determined for a period of one year from January 1 to December 31 every year by the athlete during a time window from January 1 to 25 using the online system for the Global Athlete Licence.
- 3.2 If no change is announced in the system during the open window period, the athlete automatically keeps the selected Olympic Weight Category of the previous year.

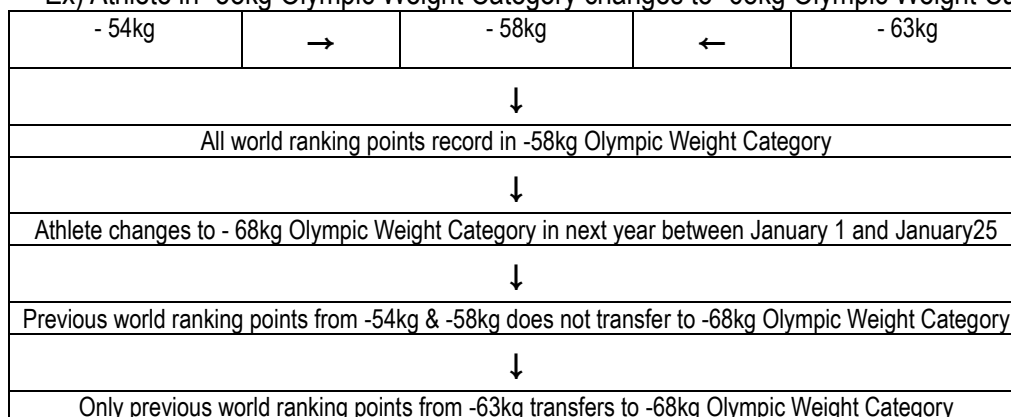
3.3 If an athlete does not select an Olympic Weight Category, the allocation of points from the World Weight Category to the Olympic Weight Category will use the following default allocation.

Men's division			Women's division		
World	→	Olympic	World	→	Olympic
-54, -58kg	→	-58kg	-46, -49kg	→	-49kg
-63, -68kg	→	-68kg	-53, -57kg	→	-57kg
-74, -80kg	→	-80kg	-62, -67kg	→	-67kg
-87, +87kg	→	+80kg	-73, +73kg	→	+67kg

3.4 If athlete changes Olympic Weight Category, the points will be transferred only from the overlapping World Weight Category(s) to the newly selected Olympic Weight Category as following default allocation.

Men's division			Women's division		
World	→	Olympic	World	→	Olympic
Points from -63kg	→	-68kg	Points from -53kg	→	-57kg
Points from -63kg	→	-58kg	Points from -53kg	→	-49kg
Points from -74kg	→	-80kg	Points from -62kg	→	-67kg
Points from -74kg	→	-68kg	Points from -62kg	→	-57kg
Points from -80,-87kg	→	+80kg	Points from -67, 73kg	→	+67kg
Points from -80,-87kg	→	-80kg	Points from -67, 73kg	→	-67kg

Ex) Athlete in -58kg Olympic Weight Category changes to -68kg Olympic Weight Category



4 If two or more athletes achieved the same points in same weight category, it shall be considered as tied in ranking. In the case of tie-ranks at the seeding, the athlete who won the points at the higher graded events shall be considered as the higher-ranked athlete. In the case that the athletes are still tied in terms of points, the higher-ranked athlete shall be decided by random drawing.

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## Article 2

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### Formula of ranking points

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The points shall be awarded according to the following formula:

**A:** Points received according to the rank at the WT-promoted or recognized championships

**B:** Grade of pertinent championships

**A x B =Final Points**

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## Article 3

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### Allocated points per rank

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- 1 The 1<sup>st</sup> ranked athlete shall receive 10 points;
- 2 The 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> ranked athlete (i.e. 6 points);
- 3 The 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked athlete (i.e. 3.6 points);
- 4 The 4<sup>th</sup> (5<sup>th</sup> in case of elimination tournament) ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked athlete (i.e. 2.16);
- 5 The 5<sup>th</sup> (9<sup>th</sup> in case of elimination tournament) ranked athlete shall receive 70% of the points awarded to the 4<sup>th</sup> ranked athlete (i.e. 1.512). From this point on, an athlete shall receive 70% of the points awarded to the athlete ranked higher than him or her.
- 6 Points will be rounded-up to two (2) decimal places (e.g. 94.235 will be recorded as 94.24).
- 7 Ranking points shall be awarded to the certain ranked athletes as follows:
  - 7.1 G-1 & G-2: Athlete must win minimum one match to earn ranking points, and won by bye or DSQ shall not be count as a win
  - 7.2 G-1, G-2, G-4, G-6, G-10, G-14, G-20: In accordance with Ranking Point Chart by Grade as below:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>G1</b>	<b>G2</b>	<b>G4</b>	<b>G6</b>	<b>G10</b>	<b>G14</b>	<b>G20</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> placed contestant	10.00	20.00	40.00	60.00	100.00	140.00	200.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> placed contestant	6.00	12.00	24.00	36.00	60.00	84.00	120.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> placed contestants	3.60	7.20	14.40	21.60	36.00	50.40	72.00
5 <sup>th</sup> placed contestants	2.16	4.32	8.64	12.96	21.60	30.24	43.20
9 <sup>th</sup> placed contestants	1.51	3.02	6.05	9.06	15.10	21.14	30.24
17 <sup>th</sup> placed contestant	1.06	2.12	4.23	6.36	10.57	14.84	21.17
33 <sup>rd</sup> placed contestant	0.74	1.48	2.96	4.44	7.40	10.36	14.82
65 <sup>th</sup> placed contestant	0.52	1.04	2.07	3.11	5.18	7.25	10.37

- 7.3 Events with repechage (Only applicable for G-20 event): in accordance with the Repechage Ranking Point Chart Grade as below:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>G20*</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> placed contestant	200.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> placed contestant	120.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> placed contestants	72.00
5 <sup>th</sup> placed contestants	43.20
7 <sup>th</sup> placed contestants	30.24

9 <sup>th</sup> placed contestant	21.17
11 <sup>th</sup> placed contestant	14.82
17 <sup>th</sup> placed contestant	10.37
<i>*See the article 4.1 for different ranking of the Olympic Games</i>	

7.4 Medalist for Youth Olympic Games (YOG), World Taekwondo Junior Championships (WTJC), and Continental Junior Championships (CJC) as following:

Rank	YOG	WTJC	CJC
1st ranked	100 points	60 points	20 points
2nd ranked	60 points	36 points	12 points
3rd ranked	32 points	21.6 points	7.2 points

7.4.1 When medalist turns into 17 years old, pertinent ranking points shall be reflected in the choice of the Olympic Weight Category. The ranking points shall be awarded in the World Weight Category according to the article 1.2.2.1.

7.4.2 In order to transfer the pertinent ranking points in the year that the medalist turns into 17 years old (hereafter Year 17), the choice of the Olympic Weight Category must be determined as described in the article 1.3.1.

7.4.3 In case the medalist does not select the Olympic Weight Category during a time window from January 1 to 25, but does it later in Year 17, the pertinent ranking points shall be reflected in the February ranking of the next year (hereafter Year 18) with 25% deduction.

7.4.4 In case the medalist does not select the Olympic Weight Category during Year 17, the pertinent ranking points shall become zero in Year 18.

8 G1 & G2 ranking point allocation of Olympic Weight Category:

8.1 In maximum, total forty (40) points can be earned from G1 & G2 tournaments from January 1 to December 31, shall count for the ranking in the selected Olympic Weight Category independently from the World Weight Category where they were achieved.

\*\* Note 1: G2 President's Cup for own continent is excluded from this limitation.

\*\* Note 2: G2 Continental Junior Championships excluded from this limitation

9 Any tournament with less than four (4) countries or weight category with less than four (4) competed contestants cannot be recognized in the official results.

10 In the weight category that the competed athletes are less than eight (8) at G1, G2, and G4 events points shall be allocated as following :

Rank	G1	G2	G4
1st ranked	6.00	12.00	24.00
2nd ranked	3.60	7.20	14.40
3rd ranked	2.16	4.32	8.64
5th ranked	1.51	3.02	6.05

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## Article 4

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### Determination of ranks ('T' means 'tie'; more than one athlete)

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- 1 Olympic Games & G20 Events which applies repechage (according to current quota)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> : gold medalist, 2<sup>nd</sup>: silver medalist, T-3 : bronze medalists
  - T-5: losers to bronze medalists
  - T-7: losers at repechage
  - T-9: Quarter-finalists who didn't advance to repechage
  - T-11: Losers at preliminary without advancing to repechage
  
- 2 Qualification Tournament for Olympic Games (in case of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked athletes are qualified)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> : winner of final, 2<sup>nd</sup>: loser of final
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>: winner of bronze-medal contest
  - 4<sup>th</sup>: loser of bronze-medal contest
  - 5<sup>th</sup>: loser to 1<sup>st</sup> placed athlete at quarter-final
  - T-6 : losers at quarter-finals except the one who lost to 1<sup>st</sup> placed athlete
  - T-9: losers at round of 16
  - T-17: losers at round of 32 and so on
  
- 3 Qualification Tournament for Olympic games (in case of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked athletes are qualified)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> : winner of final, 2<sup>nd</sup>: loser of final
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>: loser to 1<sup>st</sup> placed athlete at semi-final
  - 4<sup>th</sup>: loser to 2<sup>nd</sup> placed athlete at semi-final
  - T-5: losers of quarter-finals
  - T-9: losers at round of 16
  
- 4 Qualification Tournament for Olympic games (in case of 1<sup>st</sup> ranked athlete is qualified)
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: winner of final, 2<sup>nd</sup>: loser of final
  - T-3: Losers to finalists at semi-final
  - T-5: Losers of quarter-final
  - T-9: Losers at round of 16
  - T-17: Losers at round of 32 and so on
  
- 5 WT-promoted championships
  - 1<sup>st</sup> : winner of final, 2<sup>nd</sup>: loser of final
  - T-3: Losers to finalists at semi-final
  - T-5: Losers of quarter-final
  - T-9: Losers at round of 16
  - T-17: Losers at round of 32 and so on

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## Article 5

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### Grade of events

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- 1 Criteria of grading events are as follows.
  - 1.1 Number of participants and countries
  - 1.2 Composition of eligible International Referees
  - 1.3 Organizing Committee's abidance by WT Competition Rules



- 1.4 Overall operation of tournaments
  - 1.5 Venue facilities
  - 1.6 Successful submission of the report
  - 1.7 General comments of Technical Delegate
- 2 The grades of all WT-promoted championships and recognized tournaments shall be published on the official WT Web site in December of the previous year.
  - 3 The Technical Delegate assigned for the pertinent championship shall evaluate the championships in accordance with the evaluation criteria, and submit the report to the WT Secretary General and Sport & Event Management Department within two (2) working days after the completion of the championship.
  - 4 The WT President shall determine or may empower Secretary General to determine the grade of the championship upon the evaluation and recommendation of the Technical Delegate and the report submitted by Organizing Committee.
  - 5 Grade of events is as follows:

Grade	Event
20	Olympic Games
14	World Taekwondo Championships
10	World Taekwondo GP Final
10	Youth Olympic Games
6	World Taekwondo GP Series
6	World Taekwondo Junior Championships
4	Continental Championships (2-year cycle) and Continental Multi-Sports Games (4-year cycle)
2	Universiade, CISM World Games, WT G2 tournaments
2	Continental Junior Championships
1	WT G1 Tournaments, World University Championships, Multi-sport Games other than Continental multi-games with 4-year cycle, World Military Championships

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## Article 6

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### Validation of the points

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- 1 The awarded points shall only be valid for four (4) full years, starting from January 1, 2009 and will be reviewed every year. This process is continuous (rolling), i.e. new points awarded to an athlete will be subjected to its own four-year cycle. The official ranking can always be found in the WT website, and the WT will officially announce the Olympic and world ranking on the 1st of every month.
- 2 During a four-year term, points will be deducted after each completed year by 25% of the initial points. The deduction will be made at the end of the month when the points were earned and the remaining points will be valid and count for the ranking from the first day of the following month.

Ex) Points earned at Trelleborg Open on February 9, 2014 will be deducted by 25% on February 28, 2015. By February 28, 2018 the points earned at Trelleborg Open 2014 will be completely deducted and not counted on the World and Olympic Ranking as of March 1, 2018.

- 3 In the event that an athlete obtains points in one weight category and then obtains points in another weight category in different events, the pertinent athlete will be ranked in the respective weight category, resulting that the same athlete can be ranked in more than one weight category.

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## Article 7

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### Application of the points

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- 1 The Organizing Committee shall submit tournament report (template provided by WT) to WT Secretariat within one week after completion of the pertinent tournament for reflection of the ranking points in the WT World Ranking and WT Olympic Ranking.
- 2 Ranking points shall only be applied when Technical Delegate approve official results and submit official WT results and participation spreadsheet to the WT no later than two (2) days following the end of the tournament

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## Article 8

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### Seeding

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- 1 In the following events, certain number of athletes shall be seeded on the basis of their ranking:
  - Olympic Games
  - Continental Qualification Tournament for the Olympic Games
  - World Taekwondo Championships
  - All WT Recognized Tournaments
- 2 For every category, regardless of the number of athletes, at a minimum a quarter (25%) of the athletes will be seeded in WT Recognized Tournaments. However, all ranked athletes will be seeded at the Olympic Games. Seeding of GP events will be stipulated in the GP Standing Procedures.
- 3 In the event that any of the seeded athletes is ineligible to participate (i.e. not registered in the entry list or failed General weigh-in or no show), the next highest ranked athlete(s) shall be seeded to make up the quota except Olympic Games
- 4 Only in the World Taekwondo Championships and Continental Championships, the registered athlete from the host nation will be seeded at the 4th place in case that he/she has not been seeded within 4th place. Host Country Seeding of Olympic Games is stipulated in the Olympic Standing Procedures, and GP Series in Standing Procedure of World Taekwondo Grand Prix.

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## Article 9

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### Effectuation

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This amended bylaw shall come into effect from May 8, 2020. The Article 3.7 shall come into effect from January 1, 2021

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Article 10

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Update and management of Ranking

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The World Ranking and the Olympic Ranking will be updated the last day of each month and the new ranking will be valid and published on the first day of the following month

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Article 11

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Amendment

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This Bylaw shall be amended by approval of WT Council.