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Canoe Sprint World Ranking rules

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World Ranking is a list of individual athletes in all four categories (men's kayak, women's kayak, men's canoe, women's canoe). Each athlete can gain World Ranking points at the Ranking Competitions. The World Ranking tables will be published within five (5) days of the completion of each Ranking Competition.

Ranking Competitions that are included in the World Ranking list and their World Ranking point multipliers are:

- Olympic Games 1,5x
- World Championships 1,5x
- World Cups 1x
- Continental Championships 0,7x
- World Ranking Races 0,5x

Every athlete can collect points at any Ranking Competition each year.

An athlete can register a maximum of five results on the World Ranking in each calendar year. All five results must be from different Ranking Competitions and one of these results must be from a Ranking Competition that is held on a different continent than the others.

If an athlete has more than five (5) valid results per calendar year, the best five (5) results (meaning highest scores) of the athlete will be counted towards the World Ranking tally.

World Ranking points will be given to all events represented in any of the Ranking Competitions program. The observed period of the World Ranking is the previous two (2) calendar years and the ongoing season. Expired results drop out on the first day of the first Ranking Competition of every calendar year.

In each event every individual will be given points.

In single events, 100% of the World Ranking points according to the point tables will be awarded to the athlete for potential registration.

In double boats or teams of two 180% of the World Ranking points will be awarded to the crew and distributed equally between the athletes for potential registration.

In 4-person boats or teams of four 320% of the World Ranking points will be awarded to the crew and distributed equally between the athletes for potential registration.

In case crew changes between phases of a competition happen, the replaced and the replacing athletes divide the points earned by one athlete between themselves equally, irrespective of the number of phases completed by each of them.



If two (2) or more athletes have equal points in the ranking, the following tie-breaker rules decide in ranking them:

- 1, The athlete with the higher registered ranking point from any result in the most recent complete season will rank higher.
- 2, The athlete with the higher registered ranking point from any result in all observed seasons will rank higher.
- 3, Draw will decide the ranking.

There are two different point tables. Application is based on the number of entered boats.

	NUMBER OF BOATS: 37-72												
Final A		Final B		Final C		Final D		Final E		Final F		Final G	
#	points	#	points	#	points	#	points	#	points	#	points	#	points
1	1000	1	720	1	610	1	500	1	390	1	280	1	190
2	900	2	710	2	600	2	490	2	380	2	270	2	180
3	840	3	700	3	590	3	480	3	370	3	260	3	170
4	800	4	690	4	580	4	470	4	360	4	250	4	160
5	790	5	680	5	570	5	460	5	350	5	240	5	150
6	780	6	670	6	560	6	450	6	340	6	230	6	140
7	770	7	660	7	550	7	440	7	330	7	220	7	130
8	760	8	650	8	540	8	430	8	320	8	210	8	120
9	750	9	640	9	530	9	420	9	310	9	200	9	110

NUMBER OF BOATS: 3-36									
v1									
	Final A	Final B							
#	points	#	points						
1	1000	1	600						
2	900	2	580						
3	840	3	560						
4	800	4	540						
5	780	5	520						
6	760	6	500						
7	740	7	480						
8	720	8	460						
9	700	9	440						

Eliminated in semi-finals: **100** Eliminated in heats: **50**

At the Olympic Games the points for 9th places in the finals will be skipped.



DNS, DNF, DSQ and DQB result in zero or negative points according to the following:

DNS - zero (0) points

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DSQ - minus one hundred (-100) points

DQB - minus three hundred (-300) points

If an athlete has a doping violation or other disciplinary sanctions, all World Ranking points will be annulled for the athlete concerned. In such cases, the World Ranking points achieved in team / crew boat events will also be scratched from all the other members of the team / crew. The points for athletes ranked after will not be re-attributed.

If an athlete changes sporting nationality the World Ranking points will be annulled.

From the date of officially announcing pregnancy to the ICF the respective athlete's World Ranking points will be frozen for 24 months.