

ICF Canoe Sprint World Rankings

Calculation explanation

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The ICF canoe sprint world rankings, in effect since 2019, will be given to broadcasters and media for their use in showcasing our athletes as part of sport presentation. From the athlete perspective it will be used for lane draws at world cups, world championships and Olympic Games, in addition to invitations to the ICF Super Cup.

The rankings will be calculated twice per year – once after the World Cup series is complete (incorporating the results from the World Championships of the previous year), and once after the World Championships are complete.

If two or more athletes/teams have the same rank, for seeding purposes they will be sorted in the following order. If athletes/teams are still equal, the subsequent point will be applied until all athletes/teams are sorted.

- The highest points in a single competition
- The highest points from the World Championships
- Sorted alphabetically by National Olympic Committee three letter code (NOC code)
- Sorted alphabetically by family name,
- Sorted alphabetically by first name

For 5000m races points are given to all athletes that start.

Athletes that do not start in a heat or in 5000m race will not be awarded any World Ranking points.

Should an athlete fail to complete a race (eg. semi-final or final) they will be awarded World Ranking points based on the previous round/rank that they did achieve a valid time in.

The table on the following page outlines the point system.

From October 2022, crew boat rankings will be on an individual basis. Therefore seeding for crew boats will be based on a combined score of all athletes in the boat, so that all crew boats have the opportunity to be seeded.

If two or more crew boats have the same combined score, the boat with the highest ranked athlete will be seeded first, in line with the rules above for individual seeding.

Any crew boat with no ranked athletes will be randomly drawn after all boats have been seeded.



With only A Final		With A and B finals		With A, B and C finals	
Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points
1	100	1	100	1	100
2	90	2	90	2	90
3	82	3	82	3	82
4	74	4	74	4	74
5	66	5	66	5	66
6	60	6	60	6	60
7	54	7	54	7	54
8	48	8	48	8	48
9	44	9	44	9	44
		10	40	10	40
Semi-finals	10	11	36	11	36
Heats	1	12	33	12	33
		13	30	13	30
		14	27	14	27
		15	25	15	25
		16	23	16	23
		17	21	17	21
		18	20	18	20
				19	19
		Semi-finals	10	20	18
		Heats	1	21	17
				22	16
				23	15
				24	14
				25	13
				26	12
				27	11
				Semi-finals	10
				Heats	1