



National Ranking System Policy

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1 Purpose

The Australian Taekwondo National Ranking System (NRS) has been established to support a high-performance environment by introducing a consistent, transparent, and athlete-centred framework aligned with international standards. The NRS serves the following purposes:

Encourage Participation: The NRS provides clear incentives for athletes and clubs to actively compete in AT-sanctioned, nationally ranked events throughout the calendar year. This participation model mirrors the WT ranking incentive structure, promoting consistent engagement across all competition levels.

Support Transparent Selection: The NRS offers a measurable, objective method to track athlete performance, aiding in the identification of emerging talent and forming a credible basis for team selections, high performance program invitations, and international representation.

Ensure Event Quality: To maintain competitive integrity, only events adhering to World Taekwondo Competition Rules and supervised by certified Australian Taekwondo Technical Delegates are eligible to offer ranking points. This aligns with WT's global emphasis on event quality assurance.

Build Development Pathways: By encompassing Cadet, Junior, and Senior WT Divisions, the NRS ensures a structured progression model. The ranking system provides a stable pathway from domestic to international levels, consistent with WT's athlete development philosophies.

2 Recognised Ranking Divisions and Weight Categories

2.1 Ranking Points for Senior Divisions will be allocated to the following weight categories:

	Olympic Weight Categories							
Male	-54kg	-58kg	-63kg	-68kg	-74kg	-80kg	-87kg	+87kg
Female	-46kg	-49kg	-53kg	-57kg	-62kg	-67kg	-73kg	+73kg

2.2 Ranking Points for Junior Divisions will be allocated to the following weight categories:

	WT Weight Categories				
Male	-45kg	45-48kg	48-51kg	51-55kg	55-59kg
	59-63kg	63-68kg	68-73kg	73-78kg	+78kg

Female	-42kg	42-44kg	44-46kg	46-49kg	49-53kg
	53-57kg	57-62kg	62-67kg	67-73kg	+73kg

2.3 Ranking Points for Cadet Divisions will be allocated to the following weight categories:

	WT Weight Categories				
Male	-33kg	33-37kg	37-41kg	41-45kg	45-49kg
	49-53kg	53-57kg	57-61kg	61-65kg	+65kg
Female	-29kg	29-33kg	33-37kg	37-41kg	41-44kg
	44-47kg	47-51kg	51-55kg	55-59kg	+59kg

2.4 Athletes may hold Ranking Points in multiple categories.

2.5 Athletes may request to transfer 100% of their points across weight divisions annually in January by submitting the NRS Point Transfer Application Form.

3 Ranking Point Allocation

3.1 The 1st ranked athlete shall receive 10 points;

3.2 The 2nd ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 1st ranked athlete (i.e. 6 points);

3.3 The 3rd ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 2nd ranked athlete (i.e. 3.6 points);

3.4 The 5th ranked athlete shall receive 60% of the points awarded to the 3rd ranked athlete (i.e. 2.16)

3.5 The 9th ranked athlete shall receive 70% of the points awarded to the 5th ranked athlete (i.e. 1.51). From this point on, there are no further Ranking Points allocated.

3.6 Points will be rounded up to two (2) decimal places (e.g. 94.235 will be recorded as 94.24).

3.7 Ranking points shall be awarded to the certain ranked athletes in accordance with Ranking Point Chart as below:

Placement	R1 (State)	R2 (Pathway)	R4 (National)
1 st	10.00	20.00	40.00
2 nd	6.00	12.00	24.00
3 rd	3.60	7.20	14.40
5 th	2.16	4.32	8.64
9 th	1.51	3.02	6.05

3.8 Full Points require minimum 4 athletes per division.

Placement	R1 (State)	R2 (Pathway)	R4 (National)
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1 st	5.00	10.00	20.00
2 nd	3.00	6.00	12.00
3 rd	1.80	3.60	7.20
5 th	1.08	2.16	4.32
9 th	0.75	1.51	3.02

- 3.9 In the weight division that the competed athletes are less than four (4) points shall be allocated as following:
- 3.10 Uncontested athletes receive zero (0) Points.
- 3.11 An athlete must win minimum one match to earn ranking points, and won by bye or DSQ shall not be counted as a win.

4 Determination of Ranks

- 4.1 Weight categories in case winner of qualification contest not advanced to the final and weight categories without qualification contest:
- 1st: Gold medallist,
 - 2nd: Silver medallist,
 - 3rd: Bronze medallists
 - 5th Losers of Quarter-Finals
 - 9th: Losers of Round of 16
- 4.2 In case an athlete is disqualified during or in connection with an Event, upon the decision of the ruling body of the Event, lead to Disqualification of all the Athlete's individual results obtained in that Event with all consequences, including forfeiture of all medals, points and prizes.
- 4.2.1 If the 1st ranked athlete is disqualified during or in connection with an Event, the silver medallist who lost from that particular finalist shall move up to first place and no change to the rest of ranking.
- 4.2.2 If the 2nd ranked athlete is disqualified during or in connection with an Event, the bronze medallist who lost by elimination from that particular finalist shall move up to second place and no change to the rest of ranking.
- 4.2.3 If one of the 3rd ranked athlete is disqualified during or in connection with an Event, the loser of the quarterfinal who lost by elimination from that particular semi-finalist shall move up to third place and no change to the rest of ranking.
- 4.2.4 If an athlete has not finished one full match, the athlete cannot move up to the next place and receive any benefit from the disqualification of other athletes.
- 4.2.5 If the athlete who should move up has been disqualified, they cannot receive any benefit from the disqualification of other athletes. In this case, next athlete will move up in placing according to the ranking system.

5 Grade of events

- 5.1 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.
- 5.2 Grade of events is as follows:

Grade	Event
R4	AT National Championships, Selection Events (Cadet, Junior, Senior, U21)

R3	Selected events based on AT approval
R2	Pathway Series
R1	State Championships (to be assessed for inclusion after the first 12 months)

- 5.3 Each Member State of AT will be entitled to identify one event per year as their designated R1 grade event, for approval by AT.
- 5.4 Events must be pre-approved by AT to be eligible for inclusion in the NRS.
- 5.5 AT reserves the right to change the grading of an event where it deems that event should have a higher grading than designated as per section 5.2 above.

6 Validation of Points

- 6.1 The awarded points shall only be valid for two (2) years from the time of the event they are earned. After 12 months from the time they are earned, a 50% depreciation will occur to those points.
- 6.2 For example, for an event held on 15 October 2025, the points will be awarded on 15 October 2025, with 50% of the points being deducted after 12 months on 15 October 2026. These points will become zero (0) on 15 October 2027.
- 6.3 The official ranking can always be found on the AT website and AT Smoothcomp website. AT will officially announce the Ranking at the beginning of every month.

7 Application of Points

- 7.1 For events run using the Smoothcomp system, points will be automatically calculated from the finalised results.
- 7.2 For events run using other systems, the Event Manager shall submit the results (template provided by AT) to the AT Performance Pathway Lead and/or AT Head of Performance no later than two (2) days after completion of the event.

8 Seeding

- 8.1 All ranked athletes will be seeded at all R4 Grade events including the National Championships and Selection Events.
- 8.2 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.
- 8.3 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.

9 Other Information

- 9.1 The NRS is designed primarily as a domestic performance framework, aimed at tracking athlete development, performance consistency, and progression within Australian Taekwondo sanctioned competitions.
- 9.2 The NRS is not taking into account International Events or disadvantaging our categorised athletes. It is designed for domestic athletes primarily in the pre-categorisation stage.
- 9.3 AT will not include or rank club based events within the NRS. Only sanctioned State, National, and designated pathway competitions will contribute to rankings. This may be revisited after the first 12 months and reflected in an updated policy
- 9.4 There will not be a points cap until the number of events increases and is reflected in an updated policy.