

# Rankings Policy

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Australian Fencing Federation Limited ACN 161 544 752 (**AFF**)

## 1. Background

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The Australian Fencing Federation Limited (**AFF**) is the National Sporting Organisation (**NSO**) for the Olympic Sport of Fencing.

This Rankings Policy (the **Policy**) governs the ranking of athletes in Australia.

## 2. Application

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- 2.1 The Policy applies to all athletes.
- 2.2 This Policy was adopted by resolution of the AFF Board on 14 March 2021 and amended by the AFF Board on September 20, 2021 and comes into effect, replacing the previous Policy on February 2, 2022 and until such time the previous Policy remains in force. The Policy will operate until amended, repealed or replaced in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.
- 2.3 Other AFF policies may be necessary to read in connection with this Policy. AFF policies are published on the AFF's website: [www.ausfencing.org](http://www.ausfencing.org)

## 3. AFF Rankings List

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- 3.1 The Board must ensure that, within one month of the completion of each AFC Event, an updated ranking list of athletes' in each affected age category is published on the AFF website. The ranking list may be prepared by the Board or such other persons as are authorised to do so by the Board.
- 3.2 The Board will ensure that AFF Age Ranking Lists are maintained for the following age categories:
  - (a) Youth;
  - (b) Cadet;
  - (c) Junior;
  - (d) Senior;
  - (e) Veteran.
- 3.3 Points will be awarded for the competitions listed in Appendix A, on the basis set out therein.
- 3.4 The points are specific to each weapon, and cannot be combined.
- 3.5 The points are specific to each age category, and cannot be combined.
- 3.6 The points awarded for AFC Events and Oceania Events expire on a rolling basis immediately after the corresponding competition in the next calendar year, provided that:
  - (a) if any of the AFC Events is not held in a particular calendar year, then the points accrued for that competition in the previous calendar year will expire 12 months after the event was last held;

- (b) if any of the Oceania Events is not held in a particular calendar year (or if the corresponding event is held in Australia), then the points accrued in that event in the previous calendar year will expire 12 months after the event was last held (or immediately after the corresponding event is held in Australia).
- 3.7 The points awarded for the World Championships expire immediately after the next World Championships or Olympic Games (regardless of whether or not this occurs within the following 12 months). The points awarded for the Olympic Games expire immediately after the next World Championships (regardless of whether or not this occurs within the following 12 months).
- 3.8 Points awarded for all competitions other than AFC Events, Oceania Events, World Championships and Olympic Games expire on the earlier of:
  - (a) the date which is 12 months after the competition; or
  - (b) if a corresponding competition is held within the next 12 months, immediately after that competition is held.
- 3.9 An Age Point Aggregate will be calculated for each athlete in each weapon in each age category, comprising the sum of the highest points earned in the competitions specified in the relevant competitions listed the Rankings Points Table in Appendix A for the relevant age category limited to:
  - (a) for Youth, Cadet, and Junior, four events made up of:
    - (1) a minimum of one Domestic Event (can be more), and
    - (2) a maximum of three events from any of an International Championship Event or HPC Designated Events plus
    - (3) any Points earned for State Championships to a maximum of one per category;
  - (b) Senior, three events made up of:
    - (1) a minimum of one Domestic Event (can be more),
    - (2) a maximum of one International Event (non-Designated), and
    - (3) a maximum of two events from any of an International Championship or HPC Designated Events plus
    - (4) any points earned from State Championships; and
  - (c) for Veteran, three events, provided that no more than two non-Veteran events can be included.
- 3.10 The Age Ranking List will be compiled based on the Age Point Aggregate for each athlete.
- 3.11 Where an athlete has no Age Point Aggregate, they will be taken to be included on the Age Ranking List with an Age Point Aggregate of zero.
- 3.12 An athlete's Australian Ranking in an age category will be their ranking on the Age Ranking List for the relevant age category.

## 4. Definitions

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**AFC Events** means the Australian Fencing Circuit events as published by the AFF from time to time and includes the Australian National Championships.

**AYC Events** means the Australian Youth Circuit events as published by the AFF from time to time and includes the AYC Final.

**AFF** means the Australian Fencing Federation Ltd.

**Age Point Aggregate** means the age point aggregates as determined by this Policy.

**Age Ranking List** means the Age Ranking List to be maintained in accordance with this Policy.

**Australian Ranking** means an athlete's ranking on the relevant Age Ranking List as determined by this Policy.

**Australian Ranking Points** means the number of points an athlete holds in the relevant Age Ranking List.

**Board** means the board of directors of the AFF.

**Cadet** means the 'Cadet' age category as defined by the FIE, except with a minimum age of at least 12 years of age.

**Constitution** means the constitution of the AFF (as amended from time to time).

**Domestic Events** means all events nominated by AFF as National events.

**FIE** means the Federation Internationale d'Esclime.

**HPC** means the AFF's High-Performance Commission.

**HPC Designated Event** means an event that is designated by the High Performance Commission for participation in by National Squad Members.

**International Championship** means any one of the Asian Championships, World Championships, Commonwealth Fencing Championships, Asian Games, or any other event the HPC nominates as an International Championship.

**International Event (non-Designated)** means an FIE World Cup or Grand Prix (FIE A Grade) that has not been nominated by the HPC as an HPC Designated Event or nominated by the HPC as an International Championship, and is usually an FIE Grand Prix or similar. An International Event (non-Designated) can also be known as International Event (non-HPC Designated) and the terms are interchangeable. Where there is any uncertainty whether an event is to be classified as an International Event (non-Designated), this will be determined at the discretion of the AFF.

**International Event (Other)** means any International Event that is an FIE Satellite Event (FIE B Grade) determined by AFF, or any other International Event, to be outside the scope of other definitions and includes events.

**International Tour (Youth)** means any International Event nominated by the HPC as the International Tour (Youth) for that year. There may be more than one event in a calendar year.

**Junior** means the 'Junior' age category as defined by the FIE. Eligibility will be pursuant to the FIE eligibility requirements.

**Oceania Event** – any of the following events, but only when held outside Australia:

- (a) Oceania Senior Championships;
- (b) Oceania Junior Championships;
- (c) Oceania Cadet Championships;
- (d) Oceania Under-15 Championships; and
- (e) Oceania Veteran Championships.

**Senior** means the 'Senior' age category as defined by the FIE. Eligibility will be pursuant to the FIE eligibility requirements.

**State Championships** means the Event held by a respective Member State nominated as State Championships, or as otherwise agreed between the Member State and the AFF, and held under AFF approved guidelines.

**Youth** means the Under-15 age category. In order to be eligible for this age category an athlete must be under the age of 15 years on December 31 of the previous year of the competition, and at least ten years of age on January 1 of the year of the Event.

**Veteran** means over the age of 40 years or older on December 31 of the year of the Event.

## Appendix A – Ranking Points Tables

### Rankings Table Notes

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The following notes apply to all ranking points tables in this Appendix A.

- Points are only awarded for a competition if the fencer is promoted to a DE tableau.
- No scaling factor will be applied based on the number of fencers for AFF sanctioned Domestic events.
- Scaling factors will apply for State Championships as follows: > 10 people = 100%; 10/9 ppl = 90%; 8/7 = 75%; 6/5 = 60%; 4/3 = 50%; <3 no points.
- For FIE sanctioned events, the following scaling factors will be applied based on the number of fencers in the event: >64 (100%); 33-64 (75%); 17-32 (50%); 9-16 (25%); 1-8 (0%)
- For non-FIE sanctioned events, the following scaling factors will be applied based on the number of fencers in the event: >48 (100%); 33-48 (75%); 17-32 (50%); 5-16 (25%); 1-5 (0%)
- For International Tour (Youth) points as follows: for U15 and Y14 Events 100% of the Points allocation; for U14 or Y13 Events 75% of the Points allocation.

## Senior Rankings Points

Place	Senior Australian Champs	Senior AFC Events (AFC1,2,3,4)	Senior World Champs	Senior Asian Champs / Asian Games	Senior HPC Des Events	Senior C'wealth Champs	Intl Non-Des Events	Intl Events (Other)	State Champs	Senior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)
1	32	28.8	512	128	470	48	320	0	6	32
2	26	23.4	416	104	380	39	224	0	4	26
3=	20	18	320	80	290	30	160	0	3.5	20
5-8	14	12.6	224	56	200	21	120	0	2.5	14
9-16	8	7.2	128	32	128	12	80	0	1.5	8
17-32	4	3.6	80	16	80	6	60	0	1	4
33-64	2	1.8	40	8	40	3	32	0	0	2
65-96	1	0.9	16	4	20	1.5	12	0	0	1
97-128	0.5	0.5	8	2	10	0	10	0	0	0.5
129-256	0.25	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.25
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

H.O.A. = Held Outside Australia

Please refer to Raking Points Table Notes.

## Junior Rankings Points

Place	Junior Australian Champs	Junior World Champs	Junior Asian Champs	Junior HPC Des Events	Junior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Junior State Champs	Senior Australian Champs	Senior AFC Events (AFC 1,2,3,4)
1	32	512	128	470	32	6	38.4	34.6
2	26	416	104	380	26	4	31.2	28.1
3=	20	320	80	290	20	3.5	24	21.6
5-8	14	224	56	200	14	205	16.8	15.1
9-16	8	128	32	128	8	1.5	9.6	8.6
17-32	4	80	16	80	4	1	4.8	4.3
33-64	2	40	8	40	2	0	2.4	2.2
65-96	1	16	4	20	1	0	1.2	1.1
97-128	0.5	8	2	10	0.5	0	0.6	0.5
129-256	0.25	0	0	0	0.3	0	0.3	0.3
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Place	Senior World Champs	Senior Asian Champs / Asian Games	Senior HPC Des Events	Senior C'wealth Champs	Senior Intl Non-Des Events	Senior State Champs	Senior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Junior C'wealth Champs
1	614.4	153.6	564	57.6	384	7.2	38.4	48
2	499.2	124.8	456	46.8	268.8	5	31.2	39
3=	384	96	348	36	192	4.2	24	30
5-8	268.8	96.2	240	25.2	144	3	16.8	21
9-16	153.6	38.4	153.6	14.4	96	1.8	9.6	12
17-32	96	19.2	96	7.2	72	1.2	4.8	6
33-64	48	9.6	48	3.6	38.4	1.2	2.4	3
65-96	19.2	4.8	24	1.8	14.4	0	1.2	1.5
97-128	9.6	2.4	12	0	6	0	0.6	0
129-256	4.8	1.2	0	0	0	0	0.3	0
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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## Cadet Rankings Points

Place	Cadet Aust. Champs	Cadet World Champs	Cadet Asian Champs	Cadet Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Cadet HPC Des Events	Cadet State Champs	Senior Aust. Champs	Senior AFC Circuit (AFC 1,2,3,4)	Senior World Champs	Senior Asian Champs/ Asian Games	Senior HPC Des Events	Junior C'wealth Champs
1	32	512	128	32	470	6	48	43.2	768	192	705	57.6
2	26	416	104	26	380	4	39	35.1	624	149.76	570	46.6
3=	20	320	90	20	290	3.5	30	27	480	120	435	36
5-8	14	224	56	14	200	2.5	21	18.9	336	84	300	25.2
9-16	8	128	32	8	128	1.5	12	10.8	192	48	192	14.4
17-32	4	80	16	5	80	1	6	5.4	120	24	120	7.2
33-64	2	40	8	2	40	0	3	2.7	60	12	60	3.6
65-96	1	16	4	1	20	0	1.5	1.4	24	3.55	24	1.8
97-128	0.5	8	2	0.5	10	0	0.75	0.7	12	3	8.4	0
129-256	0.25	0	0	0.3	0	0	0.375	0.3	6	1.5	0	0
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Place	Senior Non-Des Intl Events	Senior State Champs	Senior C'wealth Champs	Senior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Junior Aust Champs	Junior World Champs	Junior Asian Champs	Junior HPC Des Events	Junior State Champs	Junior Oceania Champs. (H.O.A)	Cadet C'wealth Champs
1	384	9	72	48	38.4	614.4	153.6	564	7.2	38.4	48
2	268.8	6.25	58.5	39	31.2	499.2	124.8	456	5.0	31.2	39
3=	192	5.25	45	30	24	384	96	348	4.2	24.0	30
5-8	144	3.75	31.5	21	16.8	268.8	67.2	240	3.0	16.8	21
9-16	95	2.24	18	12	9.6	153.6	38.5	153.6	1.8	9.6	12
17-32	72	1.5	9	6	4.8	96	19.2	96	1.2	4.8	6
33-64	38.4	1.5	4.5	3	2.4	48	9.6	48	1.2	2.4	3
65-96	14.4	0	2.25	1.5	1.2	18.2	4.8	19.2	0	1.2	1.5
97-128	6	0	0	0.75	0	9.6	2.4	6.7	0	0.6	0
129-256	0	0	0	0.375	0	5.8	0.6	0	0	0.3	0
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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## Youth Rankings Points

Place	AYC #1, 2, 3	AYC Final	Aust. Youth Champs.	Intl Tour (Youth)	Youth State Champs	Cadet National Champs	Cadet World Champs	Cadet Asian Champs	Cadet Oceania Champs. (H.O.A.)	Aust. Senior Champs	Senior AFC Circuit (AFC 1,2,3,4)	Senior World Champs	Senior Asian Zone Champs/ Asian Games
1	28.8	60	32	300	6	38.4	614.4	153.6	38.4	60	51.84	960	240
2	23.4	40	26	250	4	31.2	499.2	124.8	31.2	48.75	43.75	780	187.2
3=	18	30	20	200	3.5	24	384	96	24	37.5	33.75	600	150
5-8	12.6	15	14	100	2.5	16.8	268.8	67.2	16.8	26.25	23.62	420	105
9-16	7.2	6	8	50	1.5	9.6	153.6	38.4	9.6	15	13.5	240	60
17-32	3.6	0	4	25	1	4.8	96	19.2	4.8	7.5	6.75	150	30
33-64	1.8	0	2	18	0	2.4	48	9.6	2.4	3.75	3.37	75	15
65-96	0.9	0	1	10	0	1.2	19.2	4.8	1.2	1.87	1.68	30	4.43
97-128	0	0	0.5	8.5	0	0	9.6	2.4	0.6	0	0	15	3.75
129-256	0	0	0.25	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	0	0	7.2	1.8
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Place	Senior HPC Des. Events	Senior C'wealth Champs	Senior Intl non-HPC Des.	Senior State Champs	Senior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Aust. Junior Champs	Junior World Champs	Junior Asian Champs	Junior C'wealth Champs	Junior HPC Des. Events	Junior State Champs	Junior Oceania champs (H.O.A)	
1	705	TBA	384	10.3	57.6	48	768	192	72	705	9	46.08	
2	570	TBA	268.8	7.5	46.8	39	624	149.76	58.5	570	6.25	37.44	
3=	435	TBA	192	6.3	36	30	480	120	45	435	5.25	28.8	
5-8	300	TBA	144	4.5	25.2	21	336	84	31.5	300	3.75	20.16	
9-16	192	TBA	96	2.64	14.4	12	192	48	18	192	2.25	11.52	
17-32	120	TBA	72	1.8	7.2	6	120	24	9	120	1.5	5.76	
33-64	60	TBA	38.4	1.8	3.6	3	60	12	4.5	60	1.5	2.88	
65-96	24	TBA	14.4	0	1.8	1.5	24	3.55	2.25	24	0	1.44	
97-128	8.4	TBA	6	0	0.9	0	12	3	0	8.4	0	0.72	
129-256	TBA	TBA	0	0	0.45	0	6.912	0.72	0	0	0	0.36	
> 256	TBA	TBA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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## Veteran Rankings Points

Place	Veteran Australian Champs	Veteran AFC Circuit (AFC1,2,3,4)	Veteran World Champs	Veteran Asian Champs	Veteran Oceania Champs (H.O.A)	Veteran C'wealth Champs	Senior Australian Champs	Senior AFC Circuit (AFC1,2,3,4)	Senior C'wealth Champs	Senior Oceania Champs (H.O.A)
1	32	28.8	128	80	32	80	80	72	TBA	80
2	26	23.4	104	65	26	65	65	58.5	TBA	65
3=	20	18	80	50	20	50	50	45	TBA	50
5-8	14	12.6	56	35	14	35	35	31.5	TBA	35
9-16	80	7.2	32	20	8	20	20	18	TBA	20
17-32	4	3.6	16	10	4	10	10	9	TBA	10
33-64	2	1.8	8	5	2	5	5	4.5	TBA	5
65-96	1	0.9	4	2.5	1	2.5	2.5	2.3	TBA	2.5
97-128	0.5	0.5	2	1.3	0.5	1.3	1.25	1.1	TBA	1.25
129-256	0.25	0.2	1	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.625	0.6	TBA	0.625
> 256	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	TBA	0

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