



# **WKF**

## **World Ranking Rules**

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# WKF World Ranking Rules

## 1. General Dispositions

- 1.1 These rules regulate general policy, calculating method and operation of the WKF World Ranking.
- 1.2 Modification of WKF World Ranking Rules shall be approved by the WKF EC through proposal from WKF World Ranking Commission to WKF President.

## 2. WKF World Ranking

- 2.1 WKF World Ranking indicates the position of athletes according to the points obtained at WKF official events and is applicable only to the individual categories defined in Article 4 of this section.

- 2.2. The Point system for each discipline is defined under [SECTION 1 – Article 2](#)

### 2.4 WKF Official Events

WKF Official Events are defined on the WKF Official Sports Activities Calendar on a yearly basis, document which is approved by WKF EC and published in wkf.net. The different events counting for ranking purposes are specified under [SECTION 1](#). Should WKF Official Event (e.g. Continental Championships), decide to make a change of dates once the WKF Official Sports Activities Calendar is approved by the WKF EC and the new dates enter in conflict with any other event that is already approved and published in the WKF Official Sport Activities Calendar, then the points obtained by athletes will not count for ranking purposes and the Official Event may be removed from the WKF Official Sports Activities Calendar.

## 3. WKF Standings for specific events

Standing definition: It is a specific ranking based on the current WKF World Ranking indicating the position of an athlete according to a specific criteria and moment in time.

### 3.1 Olympic Standings

In the case of the Olympic Standings, the applicable criteria and publication are defined by the Qualification Systems in force for each of the Olympic events where Karate is taking place (Olympic Games Tokyo 2020). Olympic Standings may be

issued and referred from time to time for qualification process of YOG 2018 and Tokyo 2020.

### **3.2 Karate 1 – Premier League Standing**

In the case of Karate 1 – Premier League Standing, the applicable criteria is the following:

- (1) All the points of all the Premier League Events count for the Karate 1- Premier League Standing, starting from 0 at the beginning of each season
- (2) The Karate 1 – Premier League season starts each year on 1<sup>st</sup> of January and finishes on 31<sup>st</sup> December of the same calendar year.
- (3) After completion of the last event of the Karate 1 – Premier League Event of a season, the competitor ranked 1<sup>st</sup> on the Karate 1 – Premier League Standing and having participated in at least four events held in two different continents during the same season will be the Grand Winner of each individual category.
- (4) The points decay will be as indicated in SECTION 1.
- (5) Premier League best standings position will qualify. Should there still be ties present at this point, then the following criteria is to be applied:
  - Higher number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
    - Higher number of Gold Medals
    - Higher number of Silver Medals
    - Higher number of Bronze Medals
  - Total number of bouts won
  - Higher points difference between points scored in favor and points scored against
  - Higher number of points in favor
  - Less number of points against

## SECTION 1: WKF EVENTS

### 1. WKF Official Events and Event Factor and Decay of Points

			Points	
WKF Official Event		Event Factor	1 <sup>st</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year
Continental Championships	World Championships	12	100%	50%
	African Championships	6	100%	50% (*)
	Asian Championships	6	100%	50% (*)
	European Championships	6	100%	50% (*)
	Pan American Championships	6	100%	50% (*)
	Oceania Championships	6	100%	50% (*)
	Karate 1 – Premier League	6	100%	50%
	Karate 1 – Series A	3	100%	50%
	Karate 1 – Youth League	3	100%	50%

(\*) NOTE: Should any of the Continental Federations not be able to host a Continental Championships on a yearly basis, NO Points Decay will be applicable on the second year.

- Addition of new Points to the WKF World Ranking after a competition:
  - The addition of new Points will be applicable on the first day of the following month after end date of completion of the event where the points have been obtained. Example:

Event End Date:	06.01.2018
Addition of new Points:	01.02.2018

- Points Decay in the WKF World Ranking will apply as follows:
  - The Points Decay will be applicable one year after completion of the event where the points have been obtained. The day of application will be the last day of the month when the full event has been completed. Example:

Event End Date:	06.01.2018
Points Decay application:	31.01.2019

(\*) NOTE: The date of completion of the event is the last day of competition of the entire event.

## 2. Points by Place obtained

### 2.1. Kumite

An explanatory diagram of the places in Kumite competitions is defined on the next page:

POSITION	POINTS
1 <sup>st</sup> place	100
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	70
3 <sup>rd</sup> places	40
5 <sup>th</sup> places	30
7 <sup>th</sup> places	20
9 <sup>th</sup> places	10
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> places	5
Bout won (per bout)*	10
Participation*	5

#### NOTES:

- Participation points are only applicable once the competitor has participated in at least one bout of the competition.

- Points for byes (walk-overs) are only counted if the athlete wins a subsequent match in the same category in the same competition. Example:

→ **First round - bye:** No bout takes place, athlete only gets 5 participation points.

→ **Second round:** A bout takes place

a. Athlete wins: Total points assigned: 5 Participation points  
+ 10 points win round 2nd  
+ 10 points win round 1st  
+ x Place points

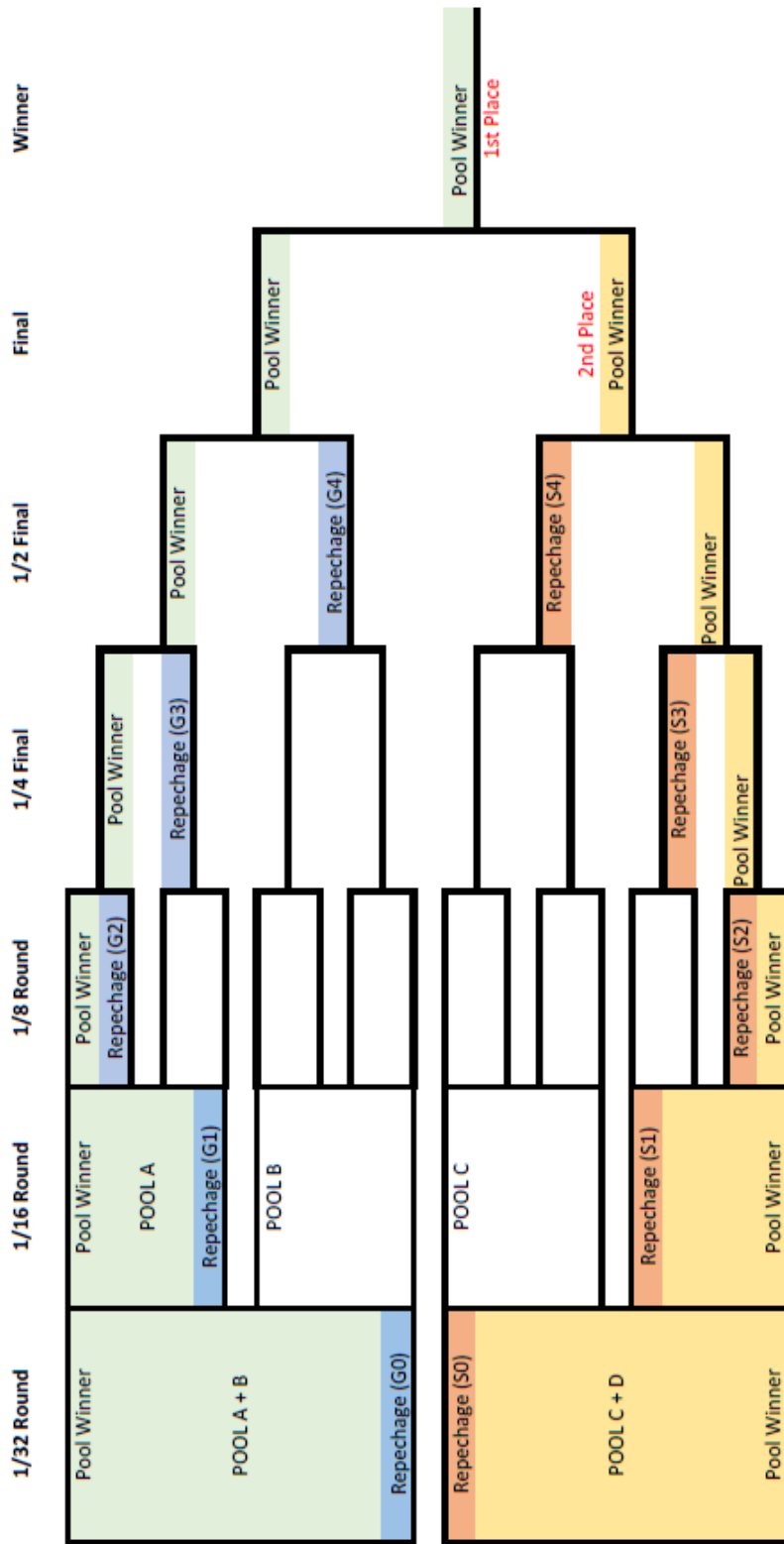
b. Athletes loses: Total points assigned: 5 Participation points  
+ x Place points

- A bout won by “KIKEN” (An opponent has been assigned to the bout, but the bout does not take place or does not come to an end), will give 10 points to the winning competitor.

**Competition Format - Brazilian Tournament**

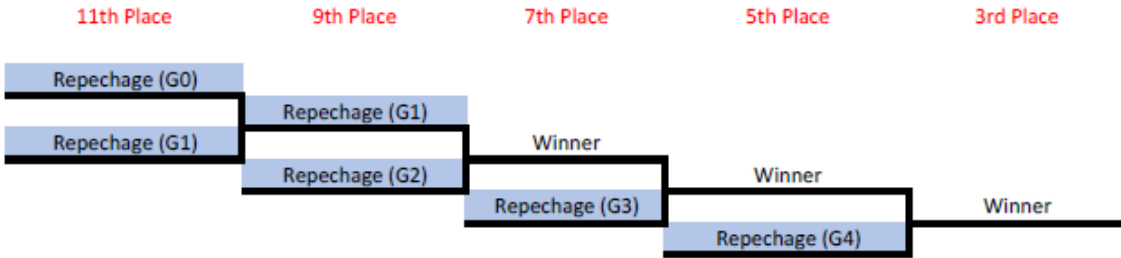
**Winner progression and Repechage line**

Sample of Winner Repechage Line, being Gold (Pool Winner A) and Silver Pool (Winner D)

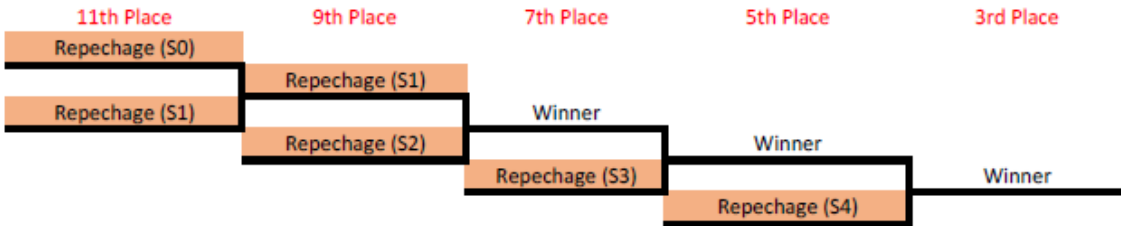


**Repechage - Brazilian Tournament**

**Repechage - 1 (Upper side of Pool)**



**Repechage - 2 (Lower side of the Pool)**





## 2.2. Kata

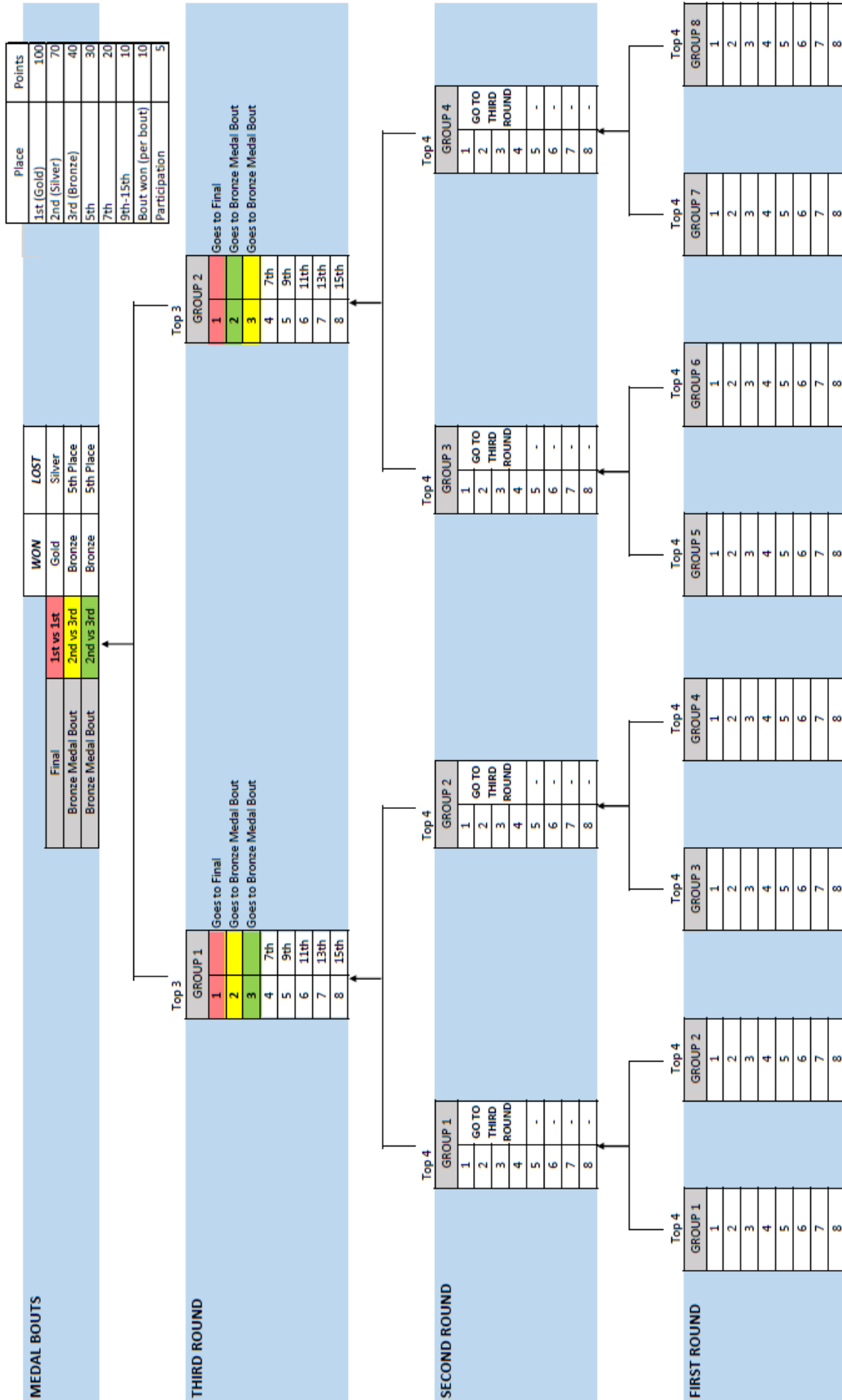
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POSITION	POINTS
1 <sup>st</sup> place	100
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	70
3 <sup>rd</sup> places	40
5 <sup>th</sup> places	30
7 <sup>th</sup> places	20
9 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> places	10
Qualification for next round*	10
Participation*	5

### NOTES:

- *Participation points are only obtained once the competitor has executed at least one performance in the competition.*

## KATA COMPETITION PLACES



### 3. Points calculating system

#### 3.1. Kumite

- |                            |                                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| a. Participation:          | 5 per event                          |
| b. Bout(s) won:            | 10 per bout won                      |
| c. Place:                  | As defined in article 2              |
| d. Total points per event: | $(a+b+c) \times \text{Event Factor}$ |

*\*Example: Points obtained by an athlete that has achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the World Championships after winning 5 bouts.*

$$( \text{Participation} + \text{Bouts won} + \text{Place} ) \times \text{Event Factor} = \text{Points}$$
$$( 5 + (5 \times 10) + 40 ) \times 12 = 1,140 \text{ points}$$

#### 3.2. Kata

- |                            |                                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| a. Participation:          | 5 per event                          |
| b. Round(s) won:           | 10 per pass to next round*           |
| c. Place:                  | As defined in article 2              |
| d. Total points per event: | $(a+b+c) \times \text{Event Factor}$ |

*\*Example based on a competition with 64 to 128 athletes:*

- *1st Round (8 Groups): 10 points assigned to top 4 athletes of each group.*
- *2nd Round (4 Groups): 10 points assigned to top 4 athletes of each group.*
- *3rd Round (2 Groups): 10 points assigned to top 3 athletes qualifying for medal bouts*
- *Medal round: Additional 10 points for 4 medal winners\**

*Points obtained by an athlete that has achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the World Championships.*

$$( \text{Participation} + \text{Round(s) won} + \text{Place} ) \times \text{Event Factor} = \text{Points}$$
$$( 5 + (4 \times 10) + 40 ) \times 12 = 1,020 \text{ points}$$

## 4. Categories

### 4.1. Age and Weight categories

The age of an athlete is defined by the first day of competition of the entire event.

#### Cadet (14/15 years old)

- Female Kata
- Male Kata
- Female Kumite -47kg
- Female Kumite -54kg
- Female Kumite +54kg
- Male Kumite -52kg
- Male Kumite -57kg
- Male Kumite -63kg
- Male Kumite -70kg
- Male Kumite +70kg

#### Junior (16/17 years old)

- Female Kata
- Male Kata
- Female Kumite -48kg
- Female Kumite -53kg
- Female Kumite -59kg
- Female Kumite +59kg
- Male Kumite -55kg
- Male Kumite -61kg
- Male Kumite -68kg
- Male Kumite -76kg
- Male Kumite +76kg

#### Under 21 (18/19/20 years old)

- Female Kata
- Male Kata
- Female Kumite -50kg
- Female Kumite -55kg
- Female Kumite -61kg
- Female Kumite -68kg
- Female Kumite +68kg
- Male Kumite -60kg
- Male Kumite -67kg
- Male Kumite -75kg
- Male Kumite -84kg
- Male Kumite +84kg

#### Senior (16+ Kata years old/ 18+ Kumite years old)

- Female Kata
- Male Kata
- Female Kumite -50kg
- Female Kumite -55kg
- Female Kumite -61kg
- Female Kumite -68kg
- Female Kumite +68kg
- Male Kumite -60kg
- Male Kumite -67kg
- Male Kumite -75kg
- Male Kumite -84kg
- Male Kumite +84kg

## 5. Other General Rules

5.1. Athletes will appear in the WKF Ranking only when they have received points in at least one WKF Official Event.

5.2. Continuity of competitors in the WKF World Ranking:

- a. Athletes not participating in any event during two consecutive years will be removed from the WKF World Ranking.

- b. On the day of his/her birthday, when a competitor changes age category, he/she will be removed from the corresponding Ranking (this will be applicable only for the Junior, Cadet, and U21 Rankings). In case an athlete needs a proof of his/her status on the WKF World Ranking of a specific date (within the 2 precedent years of his/her request), he/she shall send a written request to the WKF to receive it.

5.3. Points will be awarded to the athletes **ONLY ONCE** per event and category in the WKF World Ranking category of the competition in which the athlete has competed respectively. A competitor can compete in two different age categories, for example U21 and Senior, but he/she will have a separate WKF World Ranking for each age category. The same principle applies for age categories applies to weight categories.

#### 5.4. Change of age category: Kumite (Junior to Senior)

When an athlete changes age category from Kumite Junior to Kumite Senior, 50% of his/her points obtained in the Junior category of the WKF World Ranking will be dragged to his/her Senior category of WKF World Ranking the first day of the month **after** the athlete has turned 18 years old.

These dragged points will remain in the athlete profile until he/she turns 19 years old, moment in which all points dragged from the Junior category into the Senior category of the WKF World Ranking will be completely decayed and erased from the athlete profile. This principle only applies to age changes from Kumite Junior to Kumite Senior age categories.

#### 5.5. Change of age category: Kata (Cadet to Senior)

When an athlete changes age category from Kata Cadet to Kata Senior, 50% of his/her points obtained in the Cadet category of the WKF World Ranking will be dragged to his/her Kata Senior category of the WKF World Ranking the first day of the month **after** the athlete turns 16 years old

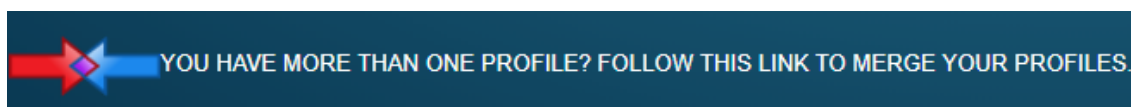
These dragged points will remain in the athlete profile until he/she turns 17 years old, moment in which all points dragged from the Kata Cadet category into the Kata Senior category of the WKF World Ranking will be completely decayed and erased from the athlete profile. This principle only applies to age changes from Kata Cadet to Kata Senior Kata age categories.

5.6. Points obtained at Karate 1 Senior events (Premier League and Series A) will be included in the Senior WKF World Ranking of an athlete.

### 5.7. Athletes with two different WKF IDs

Should an athlete be registered on a competition with a different WKF ID than the one already assigned in the ranking, the points obtained in the competition will be assigned to the WKF ID that the athlete has competed under according to point 5.3. above.

As a consequence, the athlete will be in possession of two different WKF IDs, each of them with points obtained in different competitions. If the athlete wishes to merge the points into the same profile, an online request can be directly made by clicking on the following banner:



IMPORTANT NOTE: WKF IDs merge requests will not be considered for qualification purposes until the new release of the World Ranking (and Olympic Standing) displays the updated merged points the first day of the corresponding monthly update.

### 5.8. Nationality

- If an athlete nationality change occurs between two countries of two different continents, the points will be transferred to the country of destiny and all the points obtained in the continental competitions of the country of origin, will be removed from the total.
- Points are exclusively assigned to the WKF ID of the competitor, under which the athlete has been registered in the competition and under which the points have been obtained.
- All other Rules and conditions including change of nationality or change of representing NF are subject to the clauses related to these aspects as per WKF Organising Rules. In case an athlete changes nationality or NF according to the regulations in force, his/her points in the applicable WKF World Ranking category will be transferred.

## SECTION 2: OLYMPIC EVENTS

### Tokyo Olympic Games 2020

#### 1. Tokyo 2020 Standing

Following the requirements of the Qualification System in force for the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, an Olympic Standing with the name “Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing” will display the highest 50 ranked athletes by Kumite Olympic weight categories and Kata categories.

National Olympic Committees not eligible to compete in the Olympic Games will not be listed in the Tokyo 2020 Standings as of 06.04.2020.

#### 2. Exception of Points Decay

For the “Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing”, the following exceptions of points decay will be applicable:

- For the World Senior Championships Madrid 2018, no points decay will be applicable.
- For the Senior Continental Championships held within the qualification period, no points decay will be applicable. Should a second Senior Continental Championships be held in a particular continent during the qualification period, all points obtained in the first Continental Championship held within the qualification period will be replaced with the points obtained in the second.

The points obtained in the Karate 1 events taking place within the qualification period will be displayed in the “Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing” as of 6<sup>th</sup> of April 2020 as follows:

- 50% of points decay will be applicable for those events taking place between start of the qualification period (02.07.2018) one year before publication of the last Olympic Standing (06.04.2019)
- No decay will be applicable for all those Karate 1 events taking place from (06.04.2019 to 06.04.2020), which is the last year period of qualification.

#### 3. Official Events counting for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing

Only points obtained during the qualification period in the following Official count towards the “Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing”:

- **2018**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
10-14 July	AKF Senior Championships	Amman (Jordan)
31 August - 2 Sept.	UFAK Senior Championships	Kigali (Rwanda)
14-16 September	Premier League	Berlin (Germany)
20-23 September	Series A	Santiago (Chile)
12-14 October	Premier League	Tokyo (Japan)
6-11 November	WKF Senior World Championships	Madrid (Spain)
7-9 December	Series A	Shanghai (China)

- **2019**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
25-27 January	Premier League (PL1)	Paris (France)
15-17 February	Premier League (PL2)	Dubai (UAE)
2-4 March	Series A (SA1)	Salzburg (Austria)
18-23 March	PKF Senior Championships	Panamá (Panamá)
28-31 March	EKF Senior Championships	Guadalajara (Spain)
11-12 April	OKF Senior Championships	Sydney (Australia)
19-21 April	Premier League (PL3)	Rabat (Morocco)
17-19 May	Series A (SA2)	Istanbul (Turkey)
7-9 June	Premier League (PL4)	Shanghai (China)
21-23 June	Series A (SA3)	Montreal (Canada)
19-21 July	AKF Senior Championships	Can Tho (Vietnam)
16-18 August	UFAK Senior Championships	Gaborone (Botswana)
6-8 September	Premier League (PL5)	Tokyo (Japan)
20-22 September	Series A (SA4)	Santiago (Chile)
4-6 October	Premier League (PL6)	Moscow (Russia)
29-30 Nov. - 1 Dec.	Premier League (PL7)	Madrid (Spain)

- **2020**

Official Events will be published once the competition calendar to the corresponding year is approved by the WKF EC.



#### 4. Merge of points from WKF Kumite weight categories to Olympic Categories

The merge of WKF Weight categories into Olympic weight categories in the Olympic Games of Tokyo 2020 is the following:

WKF Categories Senior	Olympic Games Categories
<b>Men</b>	
-60kg	-67kg
-67kg	
-75kg	-75kg
-84kg	+75kg
+84kg	

WKF Categories Senior	Olympic Games Categories
<b>Women</b>	
-50kg	-55kg
-55kg	
-61kg	-61kg
-68kg	+61kg
+68kg	

The positions of the Olympic Standing will be distributed as follows:

- **Positions 1 to 4, will be determined by rank,**  
The four best ranked athletes per WKF weight category in the WKF World Ranking will be assigned these positions. Should two WKF weight categories be merged for Olympic purposes, then the only the two best ranked athletes of each WKF weight category that has been merged will obtain a position. These for athletes will be displayed separately at the top of the respective category and will be highlighted in green.
- **The rest of positions (from position 5 onwards), will be assigned by points.**  
Athletes will be displayed according to the highest points obtained in the WKF World Ranking, regardless of their ranking position in the WKF Weight category.

Should an athlete have competed in two different weight categories which are merged for Olympic purposes, the points will be accumulated and the ranking applicable will be that of the WKF Weight category where the athlete has competed for the first time within the qualification period.

### TOKYO 2020 - OLYMPIC STANDING

#### Kumite -67 kg.

Standing	Name	NOC	Rank	Points	WKF Weight
1	Athlete	GER	1	1100	-60
2	Athlete	FRA	1	1000	-67
3	Athlete	JPN	2	950	-67
4	Athlete	POR	2	890	-60
5	Athlete	BRA	5	1300	-60/-67 *
6	Athlete	ITA	3	870	-60
7	Athlete	ESP	3	850	-60
8	Athlete	TUR	4	850	-67
100	Athlete	NOC	50	425	-60

Note:

- \* The athlete has competed in two different WKF Weight categories obtaining the following results: (-60 kg.= 800 points/WKF World Rank 5) + (-67 kg. = 500 points WKF World Rank 8)

- \* The athlete marked displays Rank Nr. 5 since the first WKF Weight category the athlete participated in a competition within the qualification period was -60 kg.

## 5. Resolution of ties

### 5.1. Kumite

**The position of the athletes in the Olympic Standing will be determined by the ranking position of the athletes in the WKF World Ranking.**

**In order to define positions 1 to 4 in the Olympic Standing**, should the athletes have the same ranking position in the WKF World Ranking, then the position in the Olympic Standing will be decided according to following criteria:

- Total Points in the WKF World Ranking
- Best position in last World Championship.

- Best position in the last Continental Championship they have participated within the qualification period.
- Total points difference between points scored in favor and points scored against the athlete by opponents (regardless of the category) in the last Continental Championships.

**In order to define the rest of positions (from position 5 onwards) in the Olympic Standing**, should more than two athletes have the same points in the WKF World Ranking, then Olympic Standing will be decided according to following criteria:

- Best ranking in the WKF World Ranking
- Best position in last World Championship.
- Best position in the last Continental Championship they have participated within the qualification period.
- Best position in the 2019 Premier League Should there still be ties present at this point, then the following criteria is to be applied:
  - Higher number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
    - Higher number of Gold Medals
    - Higher number of Silver Medals
    - Higher number of Bronze Medals
  - Total number of bouts won
  - Higher points difference between points scored in favor and points scored against
  - Higher number of points in favor
  - Less number of points against
  - Coin Toss

NOTES:

- A Bye won't be considered as a bout won.
- A score causing win by a lead of 8 points or more should be awarded in full: i.e. if an athlete has a 7-0 lead and then scores an Ippon, the end result is to be recorded as 10-0.

## 5.2. Kata

**The position of the athletes in the Olympic Standing will be determined by the ranking position of the athletes in the WKF World Ranking.**

Should the athletes have the same ranking position in the WKF World Ranking, then the position in the Olympic Standing will be decided according to following criteria:

- Best position in last World Senior Championship within the qualification period.
- Best position in the last Continental Championship they have participated within the qualification period.
- 2019 Premier League best standings position will qualify. Should there still be ties present at this point, then the following criteria is to be applied:
  - Higher number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
    - Higher number of Gold Medals
    - Higher number of Silver Medals
    - Higher number of Bronze Medals
  - Total number of rounds won
  - Coin Toss

## 6. Olympic Standing – Case of Host Country qualified within the top 4 positions

Should an athlete from the Host Country positioned amongst the first 4 positions of the Olympic Standings, this position will be considered as Host Country place and the next athlete in the Olympic Standing of the same category will be assigned the 4<sup>th</sup> position.

Sample for Kumite

Standing	Country	Qualification Type		Standing	Country	Qualification Type
1	ESP	OS (1)		1	ESP	OS (1)
2	JPN	HC		2	JPN	HC
3	FRA	OS (2)		3	FRA	OS (2)
4	ITA	OS (3)		4	ITA	OS (3)
				5	USA	OS (4)

\*Note: Since JPN qualifies as Host Country place and USA does not need to attend the Qualification Tournament in that category since it is already qualified.

Should there be more than two athletes from the Host Country positioned amongst the first 4 positions of the Olympic Standings, the first position will be considered as a Host Country place and the next athlete in the Olympic Standing of the same category will be assigned the 4<sup>th</sup> position. And a second athlete of the host country within the first fourth positions, his/her quota place will be also reallocated to the next athlete positioned in the Olympic Standing from a country different than the host country.

## Sample for Kata








Specific case of Male Kata			Specific case of Female Kata		
Standing	Country	Qualification Type	Standing	Country	Qualification Type
1	ESP	OS (1)	1	ESP	OS (1)
2	JPN	HC	2	JPN	HC
3	JPN*	----	3	JPN*	----
4	VEN	OS (2)	4	JPN*	----
5	TUR	OS (3)	5	ITA	OS (2)
6	GER	OS (4)	6	HK	OS (3)
7	ITA*	----	7	USA	OS (4)
8	TPE*	----	8	TUR*	----

\*Reserve list if not qualified in Qualification Tournament

Note: The host countries athletes positioned within the top 50 positions of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing are not eligible to participate in the Qualification Tournament.

## 7. Olympic Standing – Online Platform Display

In order to differentiate the eligible athlete to qualify by the Host Country compared to those athletes eligible to qualify by Olympic Standing, the online platform will display the Host Country athlete highlighted in white whereas the top four qualified athletes of different countries will be highlighted in green as follows:

Legend:							
STANDING	NAME	ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	WORLD RANK	CATEGORY	TOTAL POINTS
1	<u>AYUMI UEKUSA</u>	JPN271	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	1	F+68KG	1695
2	<u>KAYO SOMEYA</u>	JPN258	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	1	F-68KG	1440
3	<u>ALIZEE AGIER</u>	FRA357	 FRANCE (FRA)	EKF	2	F-68KG	1125
4	<u>NANCY GARCIA</u>	FRA372	 FRANCE (FRA)	EKF	2	F+68KG	1035
5	<u>HALYNA MELNYK</u>	UKR221	 UKRAINE (UKR)	EKF		F-68KG	1020
6	<u>ELENA QUIRICI</u>	SUI202	 SWITZERLAND (SUI)	EKF		F-68KG	975
7	<u>LAMYA MATOUB</u>	ALG2021	 ALGERIA (ALG)	UFAK		F-68KG	945

Should an Olympic weight category merge two WKF weight categories, the display of the

eligible athlete to qualify by the Host Country will remain in white, and the display of the top 4 qualified athletes of different countries will be assigned to the top 2 in each WKF weight category of a different country, as follows:

Legend:								
		Qualification as Host Country						
		Qualification by Olympic Standing						
STANDING	NAME	ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	WORLD RANK	CATEGORY	TOTAL POINTS	
1	<u>RYUTARO ARAGA</u>	JPN190	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	1	M-84KG	1530	
2	<u>HIDEYOSHI KAGAWA</u>	JPN205	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	1	M+84KG	1207.5	
3	<u>UGUR AKTAS</u>	TUR331	 TURKEY (TUR)	EKF	2	M-84KG	982.5	
4	<u>RIDVAN KAPTAN</u>	TUR342	 TURKEY (TUR)	EKF	2	M+84KG	930	
5	<u>HOCINE DAIKHI</u>	ALG2163	 ALGERIA (ALG)	UFAK	3	M+84KG	922.5	
6	<u>MOHAMED EL KOTBY</u>	EGY305	 EGYPT (EGY)	UFAK	3	M-84KG	885	
7	<u>IGOR CHIKHMAREV</u>	KAZ178	 KAZAKHSTAN (KAZ)	AKF	4	M-84KG	780	
8	<u>MAHMOUD SAJAN</u>	JOR142	 JORDAN (JOR)	AKF	5	M-84KG	757.5	
9	<u>GOGITA ARKANIA</u>	GEO127	 GEORGIA (GEO)	EKF	4	M+84KG	750	
10	<u>ABLAYE DIOP</u>	SEN143	 SENEGAL (SEN)	UFAK	5	M+84KG	660	

## 8. Continental Representation (Qualification System)

When Continental Games (CG) are used for qualification, all gold medallists in the CG will be first considered, picking the highest Olympic Standing gold medallist where there are still open places in the available Olympic categories, respecting the maximum of one representative per NOC per category. Should gold medallist already be qualified on a previous step of the qualification system the same procedure will be applied to the silver medallists – or if necessary the bronze medallists. When a Kumite and Kata athlete both get a gold medal, they are considered tie and points obtained in standing are not used as criteria for resolution.

When the CG is not used for qualification, the qualification is done based on the Olympic Standing position of the athletes for the applicable continent.

## 9. Nationality

Nationality of competitors for participation in the Youth Olympic Games will be regulated by

Rule 41 and Bye-law to Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter in force, under article 2.3. of these regulations.

## 10. Olympic Charter Rule 41

Olympic Charter (as of August 2016):

*Rule 41: "Nationality of Competitors"*

1. *Any competitor in the Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the NOC which is entering such competitor.*
2. *All matters relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the Olympic Games shall be resolved by the IOC Executive Board.*

*Bye-law to Rule 41:*

1. *A competitor who is a national of two or more countries at the same time may represent either one of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional championships recognized by the relevant IF, he may not represent another country unless he meets the conditions set forth in paragraph 2 below that apply to persons who have changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality*
2. *A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional championships recognized by the relevant IF, and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in the Olympic Games to represent his new country provided that at least three years have passed since the competitor last represented his former country. This period may be reduced or even cancelled, with the agreement of the NOCs and IF concerned, by the IOC Executive Board, which takes into account the circumstances of each case.*
3. *If an associated State, province or overseas department, a country or colony acquires independence, if a country becomes incorporated within another country by reason of a change of border, if a country merges with another country, or if a new NOC is recognized by the IOC, a competitor may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or belonged. However, he may, if he prefers, elect to represent his country or be entered in the Olympic Games by his new NOC if one exists. This particular choice may be made only once.*

4. *Furthermore, in all cases in which a competitor would be eligible to participate in Olympic Games, either by representing another country than his or by having the choice as to the country which such competitor intends to represent, the IOC, Executive Board may take all decisions of a general or individual nature with regard to issues resulting from nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of any competitor, including the duration of any waiting period.*