



WKF
World Ranking Rules
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WKF WORLD RANKING RULES

1. General Regulations

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

2. WKF World Ranking

- 2.1 The 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 **SECTION 1** – Article 4. The point system for each discipline is defined under **SECTION 1** – Article 2 & Article 3.

2.2. WKF Official Events

WKF Official Events are published on the WKF Official Sports Activities Calendar on a yearly basis; a document, which is approved by the WKF EC and available on the WKF website. The different events that count for ranking purposes are specified under **SECTION 1** – Article 1.

Should a WKF Official Event (e.g. Continental Championships) decide to change its dates once the WKF Official Sports Activities Calendar has been approved by the WKF EC and the new dates enter into conflict with any other event that is already approved and published on the WKF Official Sport Activities Calendar, then the points obtained by athletes at this event 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

3.1 Standing

This is defined as a specific ranking indicating the position of an athlete according to specific events within a defined period (e.g. a qualification period).



3.2 Olympic Standing

The Olympic Standing is determined by the Qualification System in force for each Olympic event where Karate is taking place (e.g. the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games). The Olympic Standing is updated of the first day of each month during the qualification period.

3.3 Karate 1 – Premier League Standing

For the Karate 1 – Premier League Standing, the applicable criteria are as follows:

- (1) All points from all Premier League Events count towards the Karate 1- Premier League Standing, starting from 0 at the beginning of each season.
- (2) The Karate 1 – Premier League season starts each calendar year with the first event after 1st January and finishes with the last event before 31st December of the same calendar year.
- (3) After the final Karate 1 – Premier League Event of a season has concluded, those competitors ranked 1st on the Karate 1 – Premier League Standing, in each individual category, will be pronounced the Grand Winners, providing they have participated in at least four events held in two different continents during the season.
- (4) Points decay will be as indicated in **SECTION 1** – Article 1.
- (5) Should there remain a tie and a position in the Karate 1 – Premier League Standing is still to be determined, then the following criteria will be applicable (with reference to the current season):
 - Highest number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
 - Highest number of Silver Medals
 - Highest number of Bronze Medals
 - Total number of bouts won
 - Greatest points difference between points scored in favor and points scored against
 - Highest number of points in favor
 - Least number of points against



SECTION 1: WKF EVENTS

1. WKF Official Events, Event Factor and Points Decay

		<u>Points</u>		
<u>WKF Official Event</u>		<u>Event Factor</u>	<u>1st Year</u>	<u>2nd Year</u>
<u>Continental Championships</u>	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 be unable to host a Continental Championships on a yearly basis, NO points decay will be applicable during the second year; that is, the year between Championships.

1.1 Addition of New Points

The addition of new points to the WKF World Ranking, from a given event, will be applicable on the first day of the month after this event has taken place. For example:

Event end date*:	6 th January 2019
Addition of new points:	1 st February 2019

1.2 Points Decay

Points decay in the WKF World Ranking, from a given event, will be applicable one year after an event has taken place, occurring on the last day of the month. For example:

Event end date*:	6 th January 2019
Points decay	31 st January 2020

*NOTE: The event end date is the last day of competition of the entire event.



2. Points by Place

2.1. **Kumite**

A diagram of how athletes progress through a Kumite competition is illustrated on the next two pages and a table indicating the different positions an athlete can finish in, with the corresponding points awarded, can be found below:

POSITION	POINTS
1 st place	100
2 nd place	70
3 rd places	40
5 th places	30
7 th places	20
9 th places	10
11 th – 15 th 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) only count if the athlete wins a subsequent match in the same category in the same competition. For example:*

→ **1st Round - Bye:** *No bout takes place and the athlete only gets 5 participation points.*

→ **2nd Round:** *A bout takes place.*

- a. *Athlete wins:* *Total points assigned:*
 - 5 participation points
 - + 10 points for 2nd Round win
 - + 10 points for 1st Round win
 - x place points
- b. *Athlete loses:* *Total points assigned:*
 - 5 participation points
 - x place points

- *For a bout won by “KIKEN” (an opponent is assigned to a bout that does not take place or does not come to an end), 10 points will be awarded to the winning competitor.*



Diagram 1: Kumite Competition Format – Eliminations

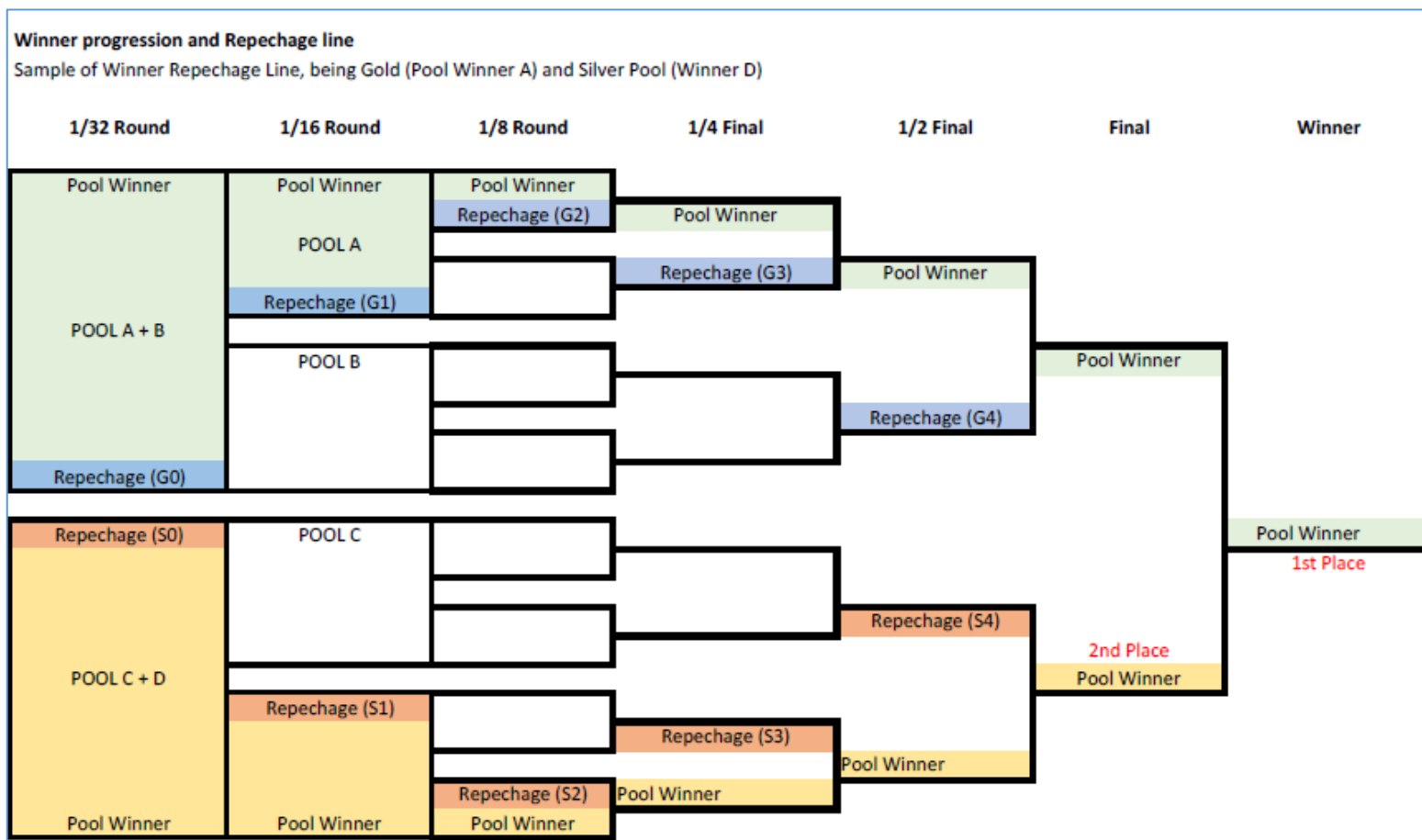
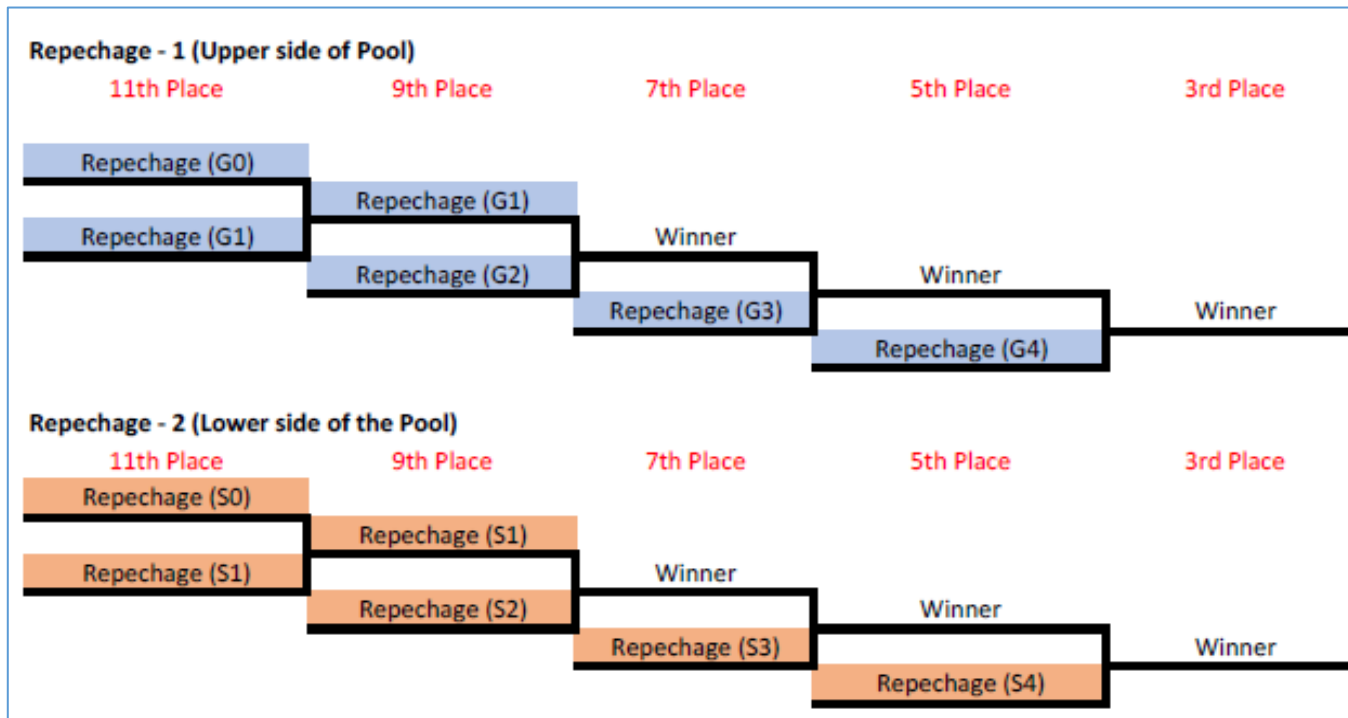




Diagram 2: Kumite Competition Format – Repechage





2.2. **Kata**

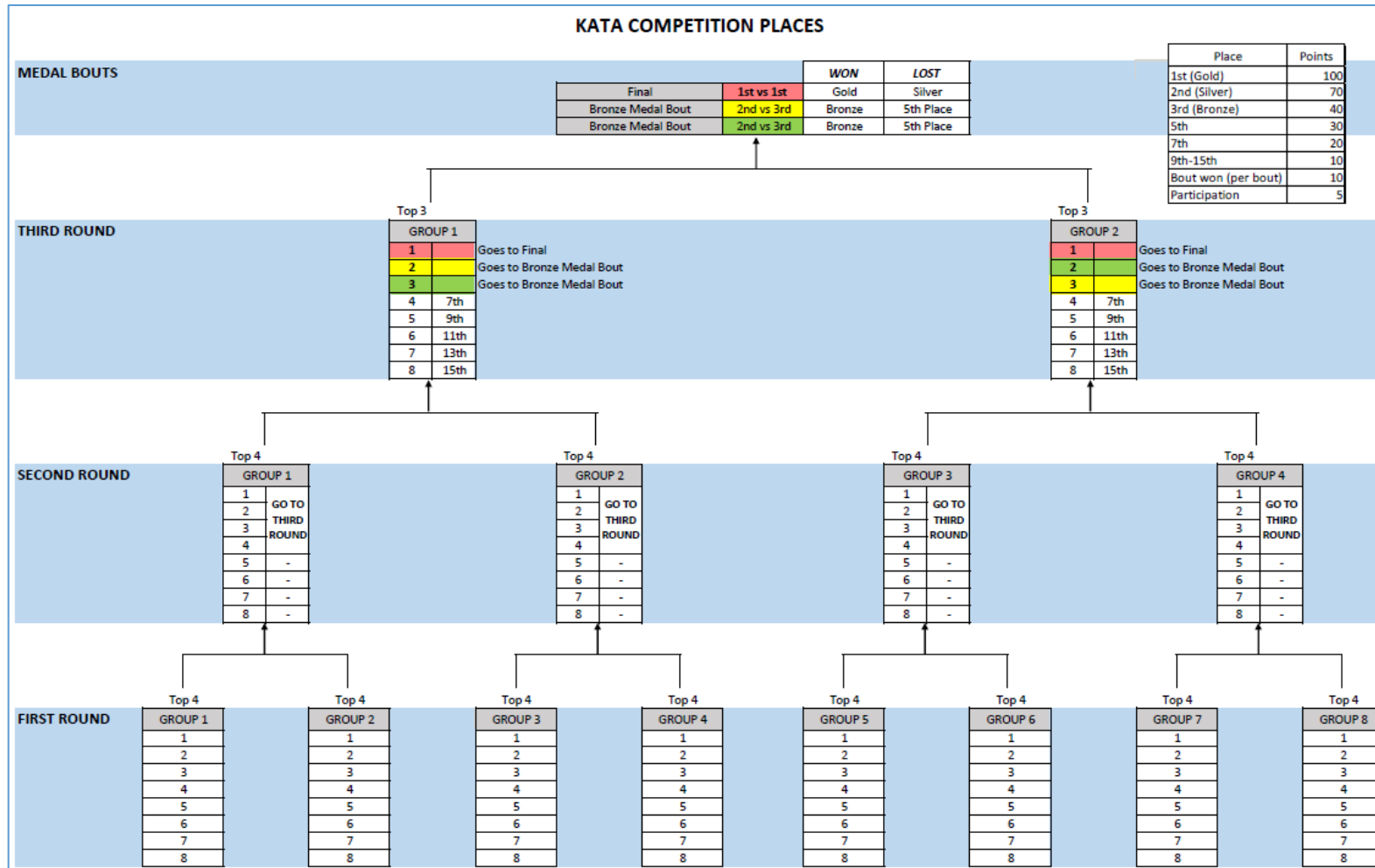
A diagram of how athletes progress through a Kata competition is illustrated on the next page and a table indicating the different positions an athlete can finish in, with the corresponding points awarded, can be found below:

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

**NOTE: Participation points are only obtained when the competitor has performed at least once in the competition.*



Diagram 3: Kata Competition Format





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 2.1
d. Total points per event:	<u>(a+b+c) × Event Factor</u>

For example, the points obtained by an athlete who has achieved 3rd place at the World Championships after winning 5 bouts:

(Participation	+ Bout(s) won	+Place)	x Event Factor	= Total Points
(5	+ (5 x 10)	+40)	x 12	= 1140 points

NOTE: A bye will not be considered as a bout won, with the exception of that stated under SECTION 1 – Article 2.1, Notes.

3.2. Kata

a. Participation:	5 per event
b. Round(s) won*:	10 per round progression
c. Medal winners	10 per medal winner
d. Place:	As defined in Article 2.2
e. Total points per event:	<u>(a+b+c) × Event Factor</u>

For example, the points obtained by an athlete who has achieved 3rd place at the World Championships (based on a competition with 64 athletes):

(Participation	+ Rounds(s) won	Medal Winner	+Place)	x Event Factor	= Total Points
(5	+ (3 x 10)	+10	+40)	x 12	= 1020 points

**NOTE: A round refers to each stage of competition before the Medal Round.*



4. Age and Weight Categories

An athlete's age is defined by the first day of competition of an entire event.

The different weight categories across age categories are as follows:

Individual Categories							
Senior (Age: Kata+16/Kumite+18)				U21 (Age: 18/19/20)			
Individual Kata		Individual Kumite		Individual Kata		Individual Kumite	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		-60kg	-50kg			-60kg	-50kg
		-67kg	-55kg			-67kg	-55kg
		-75kg	-61kg			-75kg	-61kg
		-84kg	-68kg			-84kg	-68kg
		+84kg	+68kg			+84kg	+68kg
Junior (Age: 16/17)				Cadet (Age 14/15)			
Individual Kata		Individual Kumite		Individual Kata		Individual Kumite	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		-55kg	-48kg			-52kg	-47kg
		-61kg	-53kg			-57kg	-54kg
		-68kg	-59kg			-63kg	+54kg
		-76kg	+59kg			-70kg	
		+76kg				+70kg	

5. Other General Rules

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

5.2. Continuity of competitors in the WKF World Ranking

Athletes, who do not participate in a WKF Official Event for two consecutive years will be removed from the WKF World Ranking.

Athletes will be removed from the Cadet, Junior and U21 Rankings on the first day of the month following the applicable birthday (16th, 18th and 21st).

In the event of an athlete needing proof of WKF World Ranking status on a specific date (within the two years preceding the request), a written request should be sent to the WKF.



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5.3. Points will be awarded to athletes **ONLY ONCE PER EVENT AND CATEGORY**, in the WKF World Ranking category in which the athlete has competed respectively. A competitor can compete in two different age categories, for example, U21 and Senior, but this athlete will have a separate WKF World Ranking for each age category. The same principle applies to weight categories.

5.4. For those U21 athletes also competing at Senior events, points obtained at any Senior event (Karate 1 as well as Continental and World Championships) will be included in the Senior WKF World Ranking of the athlete.

5.5. **Change of Age Category: Kumite (Junior to Senior)**

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

These dragged points will remain on the athlete's profile for one year, at which point all points dragged from the Junior category into the Senior category of the WKF World Ranking will be erased from the athlete's profile.

In Kumite, this principle only applies to transitions from the Kumite Junior to the Kumite Senior category.

In regard to the weight categories where points are reallocated, the system drags these points across automatically as follows:

MALE CATEGORIES		FEMALE CATEGORIES	
Junior	Senior	Junior	Senior
-55 kg		-48 kg	-50 kg
-61 kg	-60 kg	-53 kg	-55 kg
-68 kg	-67 kg	-59 kg	-61 kg
-76 kg	-75 kg	+59 kg	-68 kg
+76 kg	-84 kg	Manual request	+68 kg
Manual request	+84 kg		



If an athlete has competed in two different Junior weight categories, the transition of 50% of the points will be done category by category. For example:

- 500 points obtained in Junior -61 kg → 250 points in Senior -60 kg
- 250 points obtained in Junior -68 kg → 125 points in Senior -67 kg

If after the automatic transition, specific changes to weight categories are required, the National Federation to which the athlete belongs can proceed with an official request addressed to wkf@wkf.net. In these cases, points will only be updated in the system on the first day of the month after the request has been received.

5.6. **Change of Age Category: Kata (Cadet to Senior)**

When an athlete changes age category from Kata Cadet to Kata Senior, 50% of those points obtained in the Cadet category of the WKF World Ranking will be dragged into the Senior category of the WKF World Ranking. This will occur on the first day of the month **after** the athlete has turned 16 years old.

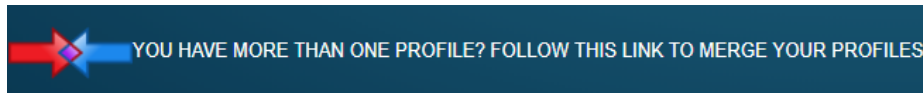
These dragged points will remain on the athlete's profile for one year, at which point all points dragged from the Cadet category into the Senior category of the WKF World Ranking will be erased from the athlete's profile.

In Kata, this principle only applies to transitions from the Kata Cadet to the Kata Senior category.

5.7. **Athletes with Two Different WKF IDs**

Should an athlete be registered at a competition with a different WKF ID from the one already assigned to the athlete in the WKF World Ranking, the points obtained at the given competition will be assigned to the WKF ID that the athlete has competed under according to SECTION 1 – Article 5.3 above.

As a result, the athlete will have points divided under two different WKF IDs, having been obtained at different competitions. If the athlete wishes to merge the points into the same profile, an online request can be made by clicking on the following banner:



IMPORTANT NOTE: merged profiles will not be considered for qualification purposes or event registration (e.g. the Premier League) until the new release of the World Ranking (and Olympic Standing) on the first day of the month following the merger request.

5.8. Nationality

Nationality changes or changes to an athlete's representative NF are subject to the corresponding clauses in the WKF Organising Rules. In the event that an athlete changes nationality or NF, according to the regulations in force, all points from the applicable WKF World Ranking category will be transferred to the athlete's new nationality.

Furthermore, if when an athlete changes nationality, this change is also from one different continent to another, points will be transferred to the athlete's new nationality, with the exception of any points awarded at continental competitions of the athlete's previous nationality. These will be removed from the total number of points on the athlete's new profile.



SECTION 2: OLYMPIC EVENTS

Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

1. Tokyo 2020 Standing

For the Qualification System in force for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, an Olympic Standing with the name “**Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing**” will display the athletes ranked in each Olympic Kata and Kumite weight category, according to the points obtained in the qualifying events taking place within the qualification period.

Any National Olympic Committee not eligible to compete in the Olympic Games will not be listed in the Tokyo 2020 Standings as of 6th April 2020.

2. Points Decay Exceptions

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

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

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

- 50% points decay will be applicable to those events taking place from the start of the qualification period (2nd July 2018) until one year before the final publication of the Olympic Standing (6th April 2019)
- No decay will be applicable to all those Karate 1 events taking place from 6th April 2019 to 6th April 2020 - the final year of qualification.



3. Official Events for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Standing

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

2018

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
10-14 July	AKF Senior Championships	Amman (Jordan)
31 August - 2 September	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)

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DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
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	Panama (Panama)
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)
15-21 July	AKF Senior Championships	Tashkent (Uzbekistan)
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 November - 1 December	Premier League (PL7)	Madrid (Spain)

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



4. Merger of WKF Kumite Weight Categories to Olympic Categories

The merger of WKF weight categories into Olympic weight categories for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will be as follows:

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

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

5. Positions on the Olympic Standing

Athletes will be displayed, in descending order, according to the number of points obtained during the qualification period, in the corresponding weight category.

The positions in the Olympic Standing will be displayed as follows:

Qualification Positions 1 to 4

The four best ranked athletes on the Olympic Standing per weight category will be assigned these four positions, highlighted at the top of the Standing in green:

MALE KUMITE -75KG						
STANDING	NAME	WKF ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	TOTAL POINTS	
1	Athlete1	FRA1	FRA	EKF	3105	← Olympic Standing (OS) 1
2	Athlete2	ITA1	ITA	EKF	3075	← Olympic Standing (OS) 2
3	Athlete3	BRA1	BRA	PKF	2640	← Olympic Standing (OS) 3
4	Athlete4	MAR	MAR	UKAF	2250	← Olympic Standing (OS) 4
5	Athlete5	JOR1	JOR	AKF	2242.5	
6	Athlete6	KAZ1	KAZ	AKF	1755	
7	Athlete7	EGY1	EGY	UFAK	1740	
8	Athlete8	TPE1	TPE	AKF	1725	
9	Athlete9	CHI1	CHI	PKF	1560	
10	Athlete10	KUW1	KUW	AKF	1537.5	



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Should two WKF weight categories be merged for Olympic purposes, then only the two best ranked athletes in each individual WKF weight category will obtain a position. These four athletes will be displayed in green towards the top of the respective category:

FEMALE KUMITE +61KG								
STANDING	NAME	WKF ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	WORLD RANK	CATEGORY	TOTAL POINTS	
1	Athlete1	AZE1	AZE	EKF	1	F -68KG	2610	← OS 1
2	Athlete2	GRE1	GRE	EKF	1	F +68KG	2600	← OS 2
3	Athlete3	ALG1	ALG	UFAK	2	F -68KG	2107.5	← OS 3
4	Athlete4	GBR1	GBR	EKF		F -68KG	1875	
5	Athlete5	RUS1	RUS	EKF		F -68KG	1635	
6	Athlete6	SUI1	SUI	EKF		F -68KG	1627.5	
7	Athlete7	UKR1	UKR	EKF		F -68KG	1530	
8	Athlete8	EGY1	EGY	UFAK	2	F +68KG	1447.5	← OS 4
9	Athlete9	SVK1	SVK	EKF		F -68KG	1425	
10	Athlete10	EGY2	EGY	UFAK		F -68KG	1417.5	

5. Resolution of Ties

5.1. Kumite

In order to define positions 1 to 4 on the Olympic Standing, should two athletes have the same number of points and therefore, the same Olympic Standing position, then the position will be determined according to following criteria:

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

In order to define position 5 onwards in the Olympic Standing, should two or more athletes have the same number of points in an Olympic Standing position, then the position will be determined according to following criteria:

- Best position in the Olympic Standing by WKF weight category (only applicable to WKF weight categories merged for Olympic purposes).
- Best position at the last World Senior Championships.
- Best position at the last Continental Championships they have participated in within the qualification period.
- Best position in the 2019 Premier League.



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Should there still be ties present at this point, then the following criteria is to be applied (with reference to the qualification period):

- Highest number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
 - Highest number of Silver Medals
 - Highest number of Bronze Medals
- Total number of bouts won
- Greatest points difference between points scored in favor and points scored against
- Highest number of points in favor
- Least number of points against
- Coin Toss

5.2. **Kata**

Should two or more athletes have the same Olympic Standing position, then the position will be determined according to following criteria:

- Best position in the last World Senior Championships within the qualification period.
- Best position in the last Continental Championships they have participated in 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 (with reference to the qualification period):

- Highest number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
 - Highest number of Silver Medals
 - Highest number of Bronze Medals
- Total number of rounds won
- Coin Toss

6. Olympic Standing – Host Country Qualifying within the Top 4 Positions

Should an athlete from the Host Country be positioned amongst the first 4 positions of the Olympic Standing, this 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 4th position.



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MALE KATA						
STANDING	NAME	WKF ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	TOTAL POINTS	
1	Athlete1	TUR1	TUR	EKF	3015	← OS 1
2	Athlete2	GER1	GER	EKF	2955	← OS 2
3	Athlete3	JPN1	JPN	AKF	2692.5	← Host Country (HC)
4	Athlete4	IRI1	IRI	AKF	2565	← OS 3
5	Athlete5	USA1	USA	PKF	2287.5	← OS 4
6	Athlete6	IRI2	IRI	AKF	2100	
7	Athlete7	UKR1	UKR	EKF	2070	
8	Athlete8	JPN2	JPN	AKF	1837.5	
9	Athlete9	TUR2	TUR	EKF	1815	
10	Athlete10	BLR1	BLR	EKF	1800	

**NOTE: Since JPN qualifies with a Host Country place, USA does not need to attend the Qualification Tournament in that category since they have already qualified.*

Should there be more than two athletes from the Host Country occupying the first 4 positions of the Olympic Standing, the first position will be considered a Host Country place and the next athlete from a different country in the Olympic Standing of the same category will be assigned the 4th position.

FEMALE KUMITE -61KG						
STANDING	NAME	WKF ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	TOTAL POINTS	
1	Athlete1	JPN1	JPN	AKF	3375	← HC
2	Athlete2	CHN1	CHN	AKF	3285	← OS 1
3	Athlete3	JPN2	JPN	AKF	2917.5	
4	Athlete4	SRB1	SRB	EKF	2572.5	← OS 2
5	Athlete5	FRA1	FRA	EKF	2280	← OS 3
6	Athlete6	MAR1	MAR	UFAK	1912.5	← OS 4
7	Athlete7	PER1	PER	PKF	1815	
8	Athlete8	CAN1	CAN	PKF	1747.5	
9	Athlete9	ECU1	ECU	PKF	1560	
10	Athlete10	IRI1	IRI	AKF	1387.5	

Should there be a third athlete from the Host Country within the top four positions, this quota place will also be reallocated to the next athlete positioned in the Olympic Standing of the same category from a different country.



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MALE KUMITE -67KG								
STANDING	NAME	WKF ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	WORLD RANK	CATEGORY	TOTAL POINTS	
1	Athlete1	FRA1		EKF	1	M-67KG	4590	← OS1
2	Athlete2	JPN1		AKF	1	M-60KG	4050	← HC
3	Athlete3	JPN2		AKF	2	M-67KG	3262.5	
4	Athlete4	JPN3		AKF	2	M-60KG	2527.5	
5	Athlete5	JOR1		AKF		M-67KG	2317.5	← OS 2
6	Athlete6	TUR1		EKF		M-60KG	2302.5	← OS 3
7	Athlete7	CHI1		PKF		M-67KG	2287.5	
8	Athlete8	MAR1		UFAK		M-60KG	2205	← OS 4
9	Athlete9	EGY1		UFAK		M-67KG	2032.5	
10	Athlete10	JPN1		AKF		M-60KG	1882.5	

**NOTE: The Host Country 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 Display

In order to differentiate the eligible athlete to qualify by Host Country from those athletes eligible to qualify by Olympic Standing, the Host Country athlete will be highlighted in grey, whereas the top 4 qualified athletes from other countries will be highlighted in green as follows:

STANDING	NAME	ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	TOTAL POINTS
1	 RYO KIYUNA	JPN261	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	4890
2	 DAMIAN HUGO QUINTERO CAPEVILA	ESP173	 SPAIN (ESP)	EKF	4312.5
3	 ALI SOFUOGLU	TUR353	 TURKEY (TUR)	EKF	2842.5
4	 ANTONIO DIAZ	VEN113	 VENEZUELA (VEN)	PKF	2265
5	 MATTIA BUSATO	ITA322	 ITALY (ITA)	EKF	2160
6	 ILJA SMORGUNER	GER430	 GERMANY (GER)	EKF	1680
7	 ISSEI SHIMBABA	JPN199	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	1522.5



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Should an Olympic weight category merge two individual WKF weight categories for Olympic purposes, the eligible athlete to qualify by Host Country will remain in grey. The top 4 qualified athletes from other countries will be assigned to the top 2 athletes in each WKF weight category as follows, always respecting the rule of one athlete per NOC:

STANDING	NAME	ID	COUNTRY	CONTINENT	WORLD RANK	CATEGORY	TOTAL POINTS
1	 SERAP OZCELIK ARAOGLU	TUR238	 TURKEY (TUR)	EKF	1	F-50KG	4012.5
2	 TZU-YUN WEN	TPE169	 CHINESE TAIPEI (TPE)	AKF	1	F-55KG	2985
3	 MIHO MIYAHARA	JPN241	 JAPAN (JPN)	AKF	2	F-50KG	3885
4	 DOROTA BANASZCZYK	POL251	 POLAND (POL)	EKF	2	F-55KG	2977.5
5	 ANZHELIKA TERLIUGA	UKR240	 UKRAINE (UKR)	EKF		F-55KG	2647.5
6	 BETTINA PLANK	AUT191	 AUSTRIA (AUT)	EKF		F-50KG	2407.5
7	 SHARA HUBRICH	GER2252	 GERMANY (GER)	EKF		F-50KG	2347.5

8. Continental Representation (Qualification System)

When Continental Games (CG) are used for qualification, all gold medalists in the CG will be first considered. The quota will be allocated to the highest ranked gold medalist in the Olympic Standing as long as there is still an available place in their corresponding Olympic category, always respecting the maximum of one representative per NOC, per category. Should all gold medalists have already qualified during the qualification period, the same procedure will be applied to the silver medalists – or if necessary, the bronze medalists.

To determine between the highest-ranked Kumite gold medalist and the highest-ranked Kata gold medalist, the points obtained in the Standing will not be used as criteria for resolution. The following criteria is to be applied:



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- Best position in the last World Senior Championships within the qualification period.
- Best position in the last Continental Championships they have participated in 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 (with reference to the qualification period):

- Highest number of Premier Leagues won. If still tied, then:
 - Highest number of Silver Medals
 - Highest number of Bronze Medals
- Coin Toss

When the CG are not used for qualification, a sequence of selection processes take place, continent by continent, and qualification is determined based on the Olympic Standing of the athletes from the applicable continent.

9. Nationality

The Nationality of competitors participating in the 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.*