

# WORLD DARTS FEDERATION

## WORLD RANKING SYSTEMS CRITERIA

### Seniors - Men & Women

Thirty-eighth revised edition



A Full Member of GAISF and AIMS



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## 1. WDF CALENDAR

The lists of 'Ranked' darts events are posted on the WDF website – WDF Calendar [www.dartswdf.com/calendar](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar).

## 2. WDF RANKED EVENTS

- 2.01 The darts tournaments promoted, or organised by WDF Member Darts Bodies may be ranked, providing that they comply with the following guidelines:
- a) Only 'Singles' darts tournaments, or 'Singles' events of tournaments shall be ranked.
  - b) A darts event must be 'Open' to the Playing Members<sup>1</sup> of all WDF Member Darts Bodies providing that they meet the eligibility requirements of the event in question.
- 2.02 Number of events per Member Darts Body:
- a) A European WDF Member Darts Body may apply for WDF Ranked status for up to 6 men's and 6 women's darts events.
  - b) A WDF Member Darts Body outside Europe may apply for 12 men's and 12 women's darts events.
- 2.03 All WDF Ranked Events must be applied for using the online registration system at this link: [www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-applications](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-applications).
- 2.04 The tournament must be promoted, or organised by a WDF Member Darts Body, or its appointed organisers, providing that they are an integral part of the host WDF Member Darts Body.
- 2.05 WDF Member Darts Bodies shall attempt to schedule WDF Ranked Tournaments so as not to conflict with WDF Ranked Tournaments staged by other WDF Member Darts Bodies, especially those occurring within the same geographical area.
- 2.06 A WDF Member Darts Body without previous recognised tournament experience must have successfully staged a tournament at least once before being considered for inclusion in the WDF Ranking Systems.
- 2.07 WDF directly includes in the WDF Ranking Systems the 'Singles' events in the WDF World Cup, the WDF Area Cups and individual events such as the World Masters, World Professional Championships, and the Finder Darts Masters.
- 2.08 The WDF Executive may approve tournament applications during the ranking year if the application is received at least two months before the start of tournament.
- 2.09 In addition to the above, the WDF Executive is empowered to include other tournaments in the WDF Ranking Systems if it is determined that their importance deserves inclusion.
- 2.10 The WDF Executive reserves the right to exclude, for good cause, any tournament from the WDF Ranking Systems Criteria.

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<sup>1</sup> see WDF Bye-Law No. 2.01 - Playing Member

### **3. PLAYING RULES**

- 3.01 The Playing Format played in a 'Singles' event must be a multiple of a minimum of 501 up.
- 3.02 The tournament must be played under the WDF Playing and Tournament Rules.
- 3.03 Any additional rules created or practiced by the tournament organisers shall be published on the invitations, i.e. the invitation form/flyer.

### **4. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION AND RESULTS REPORTING**

- 4.01 The organisers of WDF Ranked Events shall prepare invitations to participate in an event and shall send copies to the WDF Sports Administrator for inclusion in the WDF Calendar of international events at least eight '8' weeks before the start of the event. The invitation form/flyer must include full information and instructions to enter the event<sup>2</sup>.
- 4.02 The entry forms/brochures for all WDF Ranked darts events shall include details of the prize money awarded for each nominated placing. It is the Promoter's responsibility to guarantee the payment of all prize money on offer. Failure to do so will result in ranking status being removed from the event in the following year.
- 4.03 Completed tournament results must be submitted to the WDF Sports Administrator, within twenty-four '24' hours preferably via WDF Tournament Reports Form [www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-reports](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-reports). All instructions and the latest Excel form are available from that web page.

### **5. PLAYERS AND POINTS - WDF TABLES**

- 5.01 The lists of ranking points are posted on the WDF website – WDF Tables [www.dartswdf.com/tables](http://www.dartswdf.com/tables).
- 5.02 The WDF Ranking Tables will be issued annually in January, based on the points obtained in the preceding calendar year.
- 5.03 To be included in the WDF Ranking Tables a player must, at the time of issue, be an eligible Playing Member<sup>3</sup> of a WDF Member Darts Body.
- 5.04 It is the responsibility of the Member Darts Body that is promoting, or organising a tournament to notify when submitting results of any players that do not meet the requirements and cannot be included into WDF Ranking Tables.

### **6. CATEGORIES**

- 6.01 The status of each event will be reviewed upon receipt of the application. The category of the event will be assessed and adjusted if appropriate by the WDF Executive.

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<sup>2</sup> See WDF Playing and Tournament Rules No. 9 - Entry

<sup>3</sup> See WDF Bye-Law No. 2.01 - Playing Member

- 6.02 The primary factor used to determine the category of each event is the number of entries from the previous event. Other factors such as prize money on offer and television coverage may also be taken into account.

## 7. POINTS ALLOCATION TABLE

- 7.01 The WDF World Ranking Tables will be “rolling tables” where all points obtained by players in all events will be counted.

Points obtained in a particular event will remain valid until that particular event is played the following year. If that particular event is not scheduled for the following year the points will be deleted after one calendar year.

- 7.02 All players must win a match before points can be allocated to them.

Placing	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jt. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jt. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Jt. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Jt. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Jt. 33 <sup>rd</sup>	Jt. 65 <sup>th</sup>
Category M	180	126	88	44	22	11	6	3
Category 1	150	105	74	37	18	9	5	0
Category 2	120	84	59	29	15	7	4	0
Category 3	90	63	44	22	11	6	0	0
<b>Minimum Entries</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16*</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>512</b>	

- 7.03 In the Lakeside Women’s World Professional, a Category M event, and the Finder Darts Masters, a Category 3 event, points will be awarded minimum to the four best players.

- 7.04 In WDF Ranked Events where ‘seeded’ players are introduced into the closing stages of an event then the following conditions will apply:

- a) Seeded players must win a match before any points can be allocated to them.
- b) In WDF Ranked events where ‘seeded’ players are introduced into the closing stages of an event then the ‘seeded’ players that are awarded points shall receive 75% of those points normally allocated to the placing that has been attained.

## 8. AWARDS

- 8.01 The WDF Executive may award monetary prizes to the top five players in both the Men's and Women's WDF Ranking Systems at 31<sup>st</sup> December in each year in accordance with the following table:

Placing	Overall
1 <sup>st</sup>	2,000.00 US\$
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1,500.00 US\$
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1,000.00 US\$
4 <sup>th</sup>	800.00 US\$
5 <sup>th</sup>	600.00 US\$

- 8.02 In addition to the monetary prizes listed above the WDF Executive may provide awards to the top three players (men and women) from the current recognised areas of the WDF that have not achieved a top five placing in the overall tables:

Placing	Asia/Pacific Area	Americas Area	Europe Area
1 <sup>st</sup>	500.00 US\$	500.00 US\$	500.00 US\$
2 <sup>nd</sup>	300.00 US\$	300.00 US\$	300.00 US\$
3 <sup>rd</sup>	200.00 US\$	200.00 US\$	200.00 US\$

- 8.03 If level on points the prize money shall be divided equally between the respective players.
- 8.04 No player shall have the express right to receive such prize money and the Executive may, for good cause, exclude a player from the Awards.

## 9. PLAYER LEVY AND SANCTIONING FEE

- 9.01 Fee structures are decided in annual General Meeting.
- 9.02 A WDF Player Levy (equivalent to **2.00 US\$**) must be added to the Entry Fee for **ALL** men's and women's singles events, in WDF Ranked tournaments.
- 9.03 The total Player Levy must be remitted to the WDF Vice President Finance within fourteen '14' days after completion of the respective tournament.<sup>4</sup>

## 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND CONTACTING

- 10.01 All questions/enquiries concerning the implementation of the WDF World Ranking Systems Criteria and the allocation of points to sanctioned events should be addressed directly to the WDF Sports Administrator via the contact form (select recipient: Events/Tables) [www.dartswdf.com/federation/wdf-contact-form](http://www.dartswdf.com/federation/wdf-contact-form).
- 10.02 All questions/enquiries concerning individual sanctioned events should be addressed to the respective tournament organisers, and not to the WDF.
- 10.03 The WDF shall not be held responsible for the accuracy or lack of information made available in the WDF Calendar [www.dartswdf.com/calendar](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar).
- 10.04 Links to other relevant information:  
 WDF Tables: [www.dartswdf.com/tables](http://www.dartswdf.com/tables).  
 WDF Rules and Regulations: [www.dartswdf.com/rules](http://www.dartswdf.com/rules).  
 WDF Ranking Tournament Application Form: [www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-applications](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-applications).  
 WDF Tournament Reports Form: [www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-reports](http://www.dartswdf.com/calendar/tournament-reports).

## 11. REVISION NOTES, VERSION 37 AND 38

- 11.01 Clause 7 - 7.01 and 7.02 added (points allocation unchanged),  
 Previous 7.01 and 7.02 are now 7.03 and 7.04.
- 11.02 Clauses 1, 2.03, 4.02, 5.01, 10.01, 10.03, 10.04 - Links to WDF Website updated.
- 9.03 Title change - Financial Director to Vice President Finance

<sup>4</sup> See WDF Bye-Law No. 3.04 - Financial commitments