

## **WS Fleet Racing Ranking and Grading Policies**

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The World Sailing Rankings for Olympic Classes are administered by World Sailing. The World Sailing Rankings Working Party meet annually to review the method of calculation of the Fleet Rankings and to grade regattas to be included in the Rankings. The Fleet Rankings are strategically issued approximately 10 times per year.

The Ranking calculation selects an individual's or teams' six highest scoring results over a period of 12 Months. The time period is on a rolling basis from the ranking publication date. In addition, a result from the previous years' Class World Championship may be used. Note that this may only be the year prior.

The rankings are a high point system where sailors can accumulate points in each regatta category up to maximum total of 1000 points available, which includes two World Championships and up to three 200 point regattas.

To feature in the Fleet Rankings, competitors must have a World Sailing Sailor ID.

<https://www.sailing.org/sailors/world-sailing-profile/>

The Organising Committee or Class Association must register their regatta six months before the start date and a results file must be sent to World Sailing – see 'XRR Results'.

<https://www.sailing.org/xml/>

A first-place result will receive 200, 100 or 50 points depending on the Grade assigned by the Rankings Working Party. The competitor with the highest total from six events is listed first in the rankings, and so on.

Upon publication, athletes should review their ranking points and ensure that their results are correctly loaded. Any errors must be reported within 2 days of publication, so that the results may be updated and rankings re-calculated.

If results are incorrectly loaded, world sailing will correct them. If results are missing entirely, they may not be included in that release and instead, added to the next publication.

Events (Classes) within a regatta may be graded differently, depending on their level of participation. The Ranking WP reserve the right to upgrade or downgrade a regatta at any time. A regatta may be upgraded or downgraded by one grade only.

### **Requirements applying to all ranked events**

The dates of the regatta shall be registered with World Sailing and published on the World Sailing Calendar prior to the following dates:

- 200-points: 1st August of the preceding calendar year;
- 100-points: 1st August of the preceding calendar year;
- 50-pointers: 1st January of the year of the event, and not fewer than 3 months before the start of the event.

World Sailing may at its discretion agree a ranked event date after the specified date when there is good reason. If for any reason dates are not agreed by the required date, the Board shall have authority to specify the dates.

When there is a conflict between event dates, it shall be resolved in favour of the higher ranked event, or, when events have the same rank, the event which registered its date with World Sailing first.

The event shall be organised and sailed in accordance with the policies of World Sailing and the Class Association and have the necessary event management on and off the water for this.

The ranking points of the event shall be stated in the notice of race. The notice of race shall be published at least 6 months before the event. The notice of race and the sailing instructions shall comply with the Notice of Race Guide and the Sailing Instructions Guide in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the event shall be organised in accordance with the World Sailing Race Management Policies.

Within 7 days of the last race, results shall be sent to World Sailing. Results can be sent directly using XRR, or send the .xml file including Sailor IDs to [rankings@sailing.org](mailto:rankings@sailing.org)  
For more details: <https://www.sailing.org/xml/>

Results not sent to WS in a timely and proper format may be excluded from the upcoming rankings update and could give reason for any subsequent regatta being downgraded.

### **50 points**

National Championships (can upgrade to 100)  
Continental Domestic Regattas

- Any regatta using Olympic Class equipment. Gender and eligibility rules apply.
- If fleets are combined, eg ILCA 6 and 7 racing together, results shall be split by the organising authority.
- No minimum entry of Competitors or Nations

### **100 points**

Continental regattas  
Regional Games  
Junior Class World Championships (excludes Masters)

- Any upgraded regattas/events that meet a high level of participation.
- If fleets are combined, eg ILCA 6 and 7 racing together, results shall not count towards rankings
- Minimum entry in any event: 2 Nations, 8 teams.

### **200 points**

- World Championship, Sailing World Cup, Olympic Games
- Any upgraded regattas/events that meet a high level of participation.
- If fleets are combined, eg ILCA 6 and 7 racing together, results shall not count towards rankings
- Minimum entry of competitors in any event: 4 Nations, 10 teams.