

IKF BEACH KORFBALL WORLD RANKING CRITERIA

These IKF Beach Korfball World Ranking criteria are valid as of 1 November 2023

Any team that does well in Beach Korfball wins points, which enable it to climb the IKF Beach Korfball World Ranking.

IKF will continuously evaluate the implementation of the World ranking and may make necessary adjustments. However, the ranking system will remain stable and unchanged until the qualification of the 2025 edition of The World Games has been decided to allow for a fair and predictable qualification system.

For the IKF Beach Korfball World Ranking, the total number of points of each country is determined by:

1. The basic points of each country, according to overall participation and development.
2. The points earned by a team from the IKF Beach Korfball Events according to its ranking on each official event and the specific weightings, over the last four-year period¹.

The IKF Beach Korfball World Ranking will be calculated by:

<u>WORLD RANKING POINTS</u>	=	BASIC POINTS	+	TEAM POINTS FROM IKF BEACH KORFBALL EVENTS
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1 BASIC POINTS

These are points obtained by each country, according to overall development in the current year.

The following criteria apply to the calculation of points.

a) NATIONAL EVENTS POINTS

If a country has an organised National Event, it earns points by having senior National Event and youth (U19 or lower) National Events.

Points per national event organised (maximum of 3 events counting yearly):

No national event	0
Senior National Event with a minimum of 8 teams	2
Youth (U19 or lower) National event with a minimum of 8 teams	1

¹ Due to Covid-19 restrictions in the World that limited the participation of the countries in the period 2020 to 2021, the first event counting for this ranking calculation is the WBKC 2022.

To be eligible for the basic points, a country needs to send a report per event organised, including videos, list of participating teams and results.

If a country fails to complete and send its report on the national event within the deadline (1st December each year), it will be considered that it has no national events organised and will not be awarded points.

2 TEAM POINTS FROM IKF BEACH KORFBALL EVENTS

These are points from IKF Beach Korfball Events of each country according to the classification on IKF Beach Korfball official events and the specific weightings, over the last four-year period¹.

The number of points awarded in TEAM POINTS FROM IKF BEACH KORFBALL EVENTS is determined by the formula:

$$\text{TEAM POINTS FROM IKF BEACH KORFBALL EVENTS} = \text{IKF World and Continental Events Points} \times \text{Year Weighting}$$

The factors are calculated as follows.

(a) IKF WORLD AND CONTINENTAL EVENTS POINTS

$$\text{IKF WORLD AND CONTINENTAL EVENTS POINTS} = \text{Event Maximum Points} - [(\text{Ranking Position in the Event} - 1) \times \text{Rank Ratio}]$$

For IKF Beach Korfball World and Continental events, the points are earned according to the final ranking position in the specific event.

The Beach Korfball World Ranking follows a cycle of four years. This means an event will not be considered for the ranking after four years of its date

(a.1) EVENT MAXIMUM POINTS

The maximum points earned in each event is:

IKF World Beach Korfball Championship	max 250
The World Games	max 200
IKF Beach Korfball World Cup	max 140

(a.2) EVENT RANK RATIO

To determine the points to be assigned to all the participating teams, we must determine a ratio

EVENT RANK RATIO	=	Maximum Points	/	Total Number of Participating Teams
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The ratio obtained will be the difference to be applied in successively subtractions to the maximum number of points, to determine the points to be assigned to each team according to their rank in the tournament.

(b) YEAR WEIGHTING

A year weighting is implemented to reward teams for most recent participation and performances and in order to prevent all games over the four-year period from carrying the same weight and receiving the exact same value.

The points earned from events are then multiplied by weightings according to the year when it occurred.

Year	Factor
Current year	1
1 year ago	1
2 years ago	0,5
3 and 4 years ago	0,25

The year runs from 1st January until 31st December.

3 WORLD RANKING PUBLISHING

The official IKF World Ranking will be published:

- immediately after each IKF World Beach Korfball Championship and The World Games;
- immediately after each IKF Beach Korfball World Cup;
- in December of each year, with the addition of the Basic Points.