

# Australian Ranking Guidelines



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# What is the Australian Ranking System?

The Australian Ranking (AR) system is based on a 52 week rolling cumulative system. It is used for evaluating players' performance in singles, doubles and mixed doubles events and determining their overall ranking position in Australia.

The system was developed in 2023 and implemented in the 2024 calendar year.

## How does the Australian Ranking System work?

Players are eligible to participate in as many AR tournaments as they like, however only their best 10 results will count towards their AR.

When one tournament occurs in the current year, it replaces the same tournament from the previous year (presuming they were coordinated in the same month).

Points are awarded based on the tier of the tournament and how far a player or team progresses through the draw.

A player's Australian Ranking will be calculated from the following:

- 1 x Tier 6 Tournament (no other tournament can be substituted)
- 9 x all other Tiers, (must not exceed best 6 results from Tier 4 and 5 combined in 2026)

## Australian Ranking categories

Australian Ranking Tournaments are listed in the PA Official Tournament Calendar with the symbol (AR), followed by a number from 1 to 6. This number indicates the Tier level of the tournament, which determines how many ranking points are available based on performance.

The Tier system classifies tournaments according to their level of competition and significance. Tier 6 represents the highest-level tournaments with the most ranking points on offer, while Tier 1 includes entry-level events that offer the minimum or no ranking points.

This structure ensures a fair and balanced way to reward players based on the level and difficulty of the events they compete in.

AR events may include:

- Pro Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- Open Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 18 and Under Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 19+ Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 35+ Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 50+ Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 60+ Singles Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- 70+ Singles, Gender Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- ParaStanding Singles, Doubles. and Mixed Doubles
- Wheelchair Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
- PWID Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

AR Tournaments across the nation may offer all, or some of the events listed above. Participants who compete across singles, doubles and mixed doubles will have a separate AR for each of those categories.

Only the highest skill level event at a tournament will offer AR points.

# Australian Ranking Points Distribution

AR points will be distributed as outlined in the table below based on the tier of tournament.

## Small draw reduction

If a tournament has less than 8 players or teams in the draw, then points will be reduced to 50% of the available points.

	<b>Tier 6</b>	<b>Tier 5</b>	<b>Tier 4</b>	<b>Tier 3</b>	<b>Tier 2</b>	<b>Tier 1</b>
<b>1st</b>	1500	1000	750	500	250	0
<b>2nd</b>	1200	800	600	400	200	0
<b>3rd</b>	900	600	450	300	150	0
<b>4th</b>	600	400	300	200	100	0
<b>5th</b>	300	200	150	100	50	0
<b>6th</b>	300	200	150	100	50	0
<b>7th</b>	300	200	150	100	50	0
<b>8th</b>	300	200	150	100	50	0
<b>9th</b>	150	100	75	50	25	0
<b>10th</b>	150	100	75	50	25	0
<b>11th</b>	150	100	75	50	25	0
<b>12th</b>	150	100	75	50	25	0
<b>13th</b>	75	50	37.5	25	12.5	0
<b>14th</b>	75	50	37.5	25	12.5	0
<b>15th</b>	75	50	37.5	25	12.5	0
<b>16th</b>	75	50	37.5	25	12.5	0
<b>17th</b>	5	1	1	1	1	0

## Abandoned Tournament

If a tournament is abandoned due to extraordinary circumstances before the event has been completed then remaining participants will receive points for the last fully completed round.

# What happens if two or more players have the same total?

When two or more players have the same ranking points total, the tie will be decided according to the following priorities:

1. The player with the fewest number of AR tournaments played in the 52 week period will take the priority position.
2. The highest number of points from one tournament, then if needed the second tournament and so on.

## Release dates

A player's AR will be updated and released by the 7th day of each month in 2026 and will capture the previous month's results.

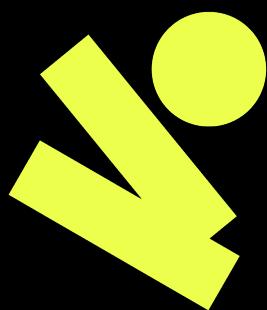
Rankings will be listed on the Pickleball Australia website.

If a tournament carries over two months, it is the month that the tournament commences in which the AR will be captured. E.g./ if a tournament commences in April and finishes in May, then the AR will be captured in April's results and released in the May edition.

It is a player's responsibility to check if there are any anomalies and report these to [tournaments@pickleballaus.org](mailto:tournaments@pickleballaus.org). Amendments will then be made in the following months AR release.

## Amendments

Pickleball Australia reserves the right to amend and review the Australian Ranking guidelines during the year if it determines that amendments are in the best interest of Pickleball Australia and its members. These amendments will be published on the [Pickleball Australia website](#).



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