

Hong Kong Junior Ranking Guidelines (Updated in January 2024)

A. INTRODUCTION

The Hong Kong Junior Ranking is the ranking system given to those Hong Kong junior players who represent Hong Kong, China and participate in the local and international squash tournaments organized/sanctioned by Squash Association of Hong Kong, China. Ranking will be released every February, April, June, August, October & December each year on the Squash Association of Hong Kong, China official website (www.hksquash.org.hk).

B. POINTS CALCULATION

The following tournaments will be classified into different star levels and be included in the ranking system.

4-stars events: (RANKING POINT x 4) ★★★★★

- World Junior Individual Championships
- Asian Junior Individual Championships
- Hong Kong Junior Squash Open
- Hong Kong Junior Squash International Tournament

3-stars events: (RANKING POINT x 3) ★★★

- Hong Kong Junior Squash Championships
- Hong Kong Junior Squash Ranking Tournament
- Hong Kong Junior Squash Challenge competition
- Hong Kong Junior Squash Cup

Other events (The star level of the event will be stated on the event entry form)

- Individual event organized/sanctioned by Squash Association of Hong Kong, China, except all Mini-Squash Competitions and Squash Talent Foundation Programme Novice Competition.
- i. Ranking points will only be granted to those Hong Kong residents.
- ii. Ranking categories will be divided into 12 age groups which are Boys & Girls Age Under 19, 17, 15, 13, 11 & 9 respectively.
- iii. The cut-off date of the ranking will be the first day of the ranking month (i.e. If a player born on 1 Jun 2010, he/she will move up to U15 age group in Jun 2023 ranking.)
- iv. A player's average ranking point is calculated on a rolling 12 months. The ranking list is based on the total number of points accumulated per player divided by 4. If a player has played more than 4 events in the previous 12 month, the higher 4 ranking point will be divided to obtain the average. * **"Please refer to D. WALKOVER PENALTIES"**
- v. Same for all tournaments, only top 64 players in each category will receive ranking points. When a player has played in two age categories and moves to the higher age category following a birthday, the best 30% of results from the lower category will be transferred and the two records merged. Results from the higher age category will take precedence and will always be used to calculate the average, regardless of whether or not these results are the top four highest.
- vi. A player who has not participated in any of the aforesaid tournaments for a full 12 months will be removed from the ranking list.

C. RANKING POINTS CHART

The ranking points are calculated according to the draw format, *star level of the event and position a player obtained in the tournament.

**Star level of the event = Point Multiple (e.g. 4-stars event equals to point multiplies by 4 times, 3-stars event by 3 times etc.)*

Circuit Format up to position 16		Circuit Format up to position 16 (Co-3rd)		Circuit Format up to position 8		Circuit Format up to position 8 (Co-3rd)	
Position	Points awarded	Position	Points awarded	Position	Points awarded	Position	Points awarded
1	540	1	540	1	540	1	540
2	360	2	360	2	360	2	360
3	270	3/4	236	3	270	3/4	236
4	201			4	201		
5	162	5	162	5	162	5	162
6	144	6	144	6	144	6	144
7	129	7	129	7	129	7	129
8	108	8	108	8	108	8	108
9	90	9	90	9/16	72	9/16	72
10	78	10	78	17/32	32	17/32	32
11	75	11	75	33/64	16	33/64	16
12	72	12	72				
13	69	13	69				
14	66	14	66				
15	63	15	63				
16	57	16	57				
17/32	32	17/32	32				
33/64	16	33/64	16				

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D. WALKOVER PENALTIES [Effective on 1 January 2019]

Any player making a late withdrawal for a tournament or failing to turn up at any match not supported by a medical certificate will receive ZERO point. The tournament awarded zero points due to either reason will count as one of their 4 best results for the rolling 12-month period and will be taken into account when dividing the points to obtain the ranking average. This penalty will be applied automatically. Medical supporting document will need to be presented to the Squash Association of Hong Kong, China office not later than 2 weeks after the event last day. Late submission of medical documents will NOT be accepted.

E. ENQUIRIES

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- ** Squash Association of Hong Kong, China reserves the right to amend and interpret the aforesaid Ranking Guidelines if necessary.
- *** In case of discrepancy between the English and Chinese version in respect of all or any part of the contents, the Chinese version shall prevail.