

## WAKO RULES CHANGE – SEEDING AND RANK LISTS

### Article 3.8. Drawing procedure

- Drawing on the WAKO World and continental championships and World and continental cups will be organized and led by WAKO Organizing committee minimum 12 hours after finished official competition registration and minimum 24 hours before the start the competitions.
- Drawing will be done according to final confirmed registration of kickboxers.

#### Article 3.8.1. General criteria

- Competitors from the same club or national teams in the same weight category must be split into separate parts (one in upper, the other in lower part of drawing list - the competitors can only meet in the final). If there are more than two kickboxers from same club, then they cannot meet in the first fight if there are at least the same number of competitors from other clubs. **The only exception to this, is when dictated by seeding**
- Every draw list must have data as follows: name of tournament, place and date, name of discipline, sex, age, weight division, competitor's name and surname, club or nation and number of fight.
- All draw lists must be printed in 3 official copies - for Chief referee, for official table and for notice or bulletin board - all three lists must be the same and any changes must be repeated on all three with the signature of the Chief referee. Also, unofficial copies of draw lists will be distributed to national team chiefs.
- Completed official copies with results, stamp and Chief referee's signature are official WAKO documents and will be kept in archives for a minimum of 2 years.
- No alterations can be made to drawing list once produced by Organizing committee. Only in a case of material mistake (wrong weight category, wrong age division, wrong discipline by WAKO Administration) which must be approved by chairman of Organizing Committee in writing.

#### Article 3.8.2. Seeding

- **Seeding is applied at the World and Continental Championships and at the World and Continental Cups according to a unique procedure and criteria.**
- Seeding at World Championships and World Cups is applied based on the current WAKO World Ranking list, **seeding at Continental Championships is applied based on Continental Ranking lists**
- The current ranking lists, criteria and competition rankings are published on the Sportdata web page: [https://setopen.sportdata.org/wakoranking/ranking\\_main.php](https://setopen.sportdata.org/wakoranking/ranking_main.php)

##### Article 3.8.2.1. Seeding criteria

- Seeding positions for the World and Continental championships **and for the World and Continental cups (and can be applied to all other competitions)** for each competition category will be determinate considering only results achieved in the same competition category (the same discipline and the same age and weight category), on previous events within the two-year period of the same discipline and age class.
- Seeding positions are determinate on public way by Organizing committee in front of the official draw

### Article 3.8.2.2. Ranking criteria

- is based on an accumulation of points in the previous two calendar years.

- World Champion 100 points
- Continental Champion 70 points
- World Silver 70 points
- Continental Silver 50 points
- World Bronze 50 points
- Continental Bronze 30 points
- World Cup Champion 50 points
- World Cup Silver 30 points
- Continental Cup Champion 20 points
- Continental Cup Silver 10 points
- Every fight won 4 points (World and continental championships and cups)
- Every fight won 2 points (Regional championships and cups and all other international open cups and tournaments)

National and continental federations for local use can determine their own criteria for seeding, but the rank list created on that way cannot be applied to World and Continental championships, nor to World and Continental cups – only for national championships and local open cups

### Article 3.8.2.3. Ranking list

- The ranking list is formed based on the achieved results and the points assigned as stated in previous Article 3.8.2.2. *Ranking Criteria*.
- After each international tournament whose results and/or victories are counted for the ranking list, the points achieved are updated and a new order is established according to the calculated points.
- The points counted in the ranking list are the points achieved in the last two years, as follows:
  - previous World Championship
  - previous Continental Championship
  - previous 2 (two) of each World Cups in last two years
  - previous 2 (two) of each Continental Cups in last two years
  - points based on victories achieved in previous competitions
  - in the event that a world or continental cup is not organized in one of the two previous years for any reason, only the cups in the last two years will be taken into account in the calculation.
  - previous points are calculated per competition, regardless of whether less or more than two years have passed between competitions
  - other points (victories at other international tournaments) are calculated within exactly two years (regardless of whether there were one or two tournaments during the specified period)
- The points recorded in the ranking list are deleted after the period stated above. However, for each tournament (not win) after 2 years, 1 point is recorded (regardless of how many total points competitors achieved in that particular competition), and these points remain recorded permanently.

#### **Article 3.8.2.4. Seeding procedure**

To determine the advantage in the draw (seeded position) at the World and Continental Championships and at the World and Continental Cups, the results are taken - points achieved in accordance with the criteria specified in Article 3.6.2.2. for the first 4 athletes on the WAKO World Rank list.

Points for seeding are taken into account from WAKO Rank list only in the category in which the athlete are competing, regardless of the position achieved in the Rank List in other categories or disciplines.

If someone from the top 4 from the WAKO Rank list is not present at the competition where the seeding procedure is applied, the list will not move to 5th place and beyond. That is, the 5th from the WAKO World Rank list will not be seeded.

If two or more athletes are equal in ranking points, the following criteria will be followed to decide the seeding order for championships.

1. Look at results from that division in previous world championships. Ranking goes to better result.
2. Look at results from previous continental championships. Ranking goes to better result.
3. Look at the results from the world cups. Ranking goes to better result.
4. Look at results from continental cups. Ranking goes to better result.
5. If equal results, next look at how many competitors in the division. Ranking goes to most.
6. If equal results, next look at how many countries are in the division. Ranking goes to most.
7. If equal, athletes who've acquired points in the least number of competitions get ranking.

After the Organizing Committee of the competition publishes the draw for the competition with the list of competitors included in the draw according to the seeding procedure, the draw lists will be published on the Sport Data competition website.

After publication, the coaches and responsible persons of the national teams have 2 hours to review the draw lists and, if they have any objections, they shall submit their reasoned written objections to the Organizing Committee by email within the specified period.

Immediately after the deadline for receiving objections has expired, the Organizing Committee reviews the received objections, drafts a written response with an explanation, and corrects the draw if necessary.

When the draw is corrected, the new position of the competitor is entered in the list of competitors from the category and then a completely new draw is automatically made (no positions are exchanged between two competitors).

After corrections to the draw for which justified objections have been determined, the draw is published on the Sport Data competition website and this draw is final and no additional objections will be accepted.

Based on such a draw, daily schedules of fights are drawn up for each fighting area.