

ITU WORLD RANKING SYSTEM



1. **Purpose:** The ITU World Ranking Criteria was developed based on the following goals:
 - a) Develop a system for Olympic Qualification
 - b) Recognize the best athletes in the world based on regular head-to-head competition
 - c) Provide consistent, high quality marketing opportunities for top ranked athletes.

2. **Four Levels of Events:** ITU will retain the 4 levels of events: World Championships, World Cup, Regional Championships, International Events

3. **Points Table:** The following table, established by the Spanish Triathlon Federation and adapted by the ITU Executive Board and Technical Committee will be in place for the 2001 season:

Points Table:

	<u>World Champs.</u>	<u>World Cup</u>	<u>Reg. Qualifier</u>	<u>ITU Int'l Races</u>
1	1000	500	400	200
2	925	463	370	185
3	856	428	342	171
4	791	396	317	158
5	732	366	293	146
6	677	339	271	135
7	626	313	251	125
8	579	290	232	116
9	536	268	214	107
10	496	248	198	99
11	459	229	183	
12	424	212	170	
13	392	196	157	
14	363	181	145	
15	336	168	134	
16	311	155	124	
17	287	144	115	
18	266	133	106	
19	246	123	98	
20	227	114	91	
21	210	105	84	
22	195	97	78	
23	180	90	72	
24	166	83	67	

25	154	77	62	
26	142	71		
27	132	66		
28	122	61		
29	113	56		
30	104	52		
31	96	48		
32	89	45		
33	83	41		
34	76	38		
35	71	35		
36	65	33		
37	60	30		
38	56	28		
39	52	26		
40	48	24		
41	44	22		
42	41	20		
43	38	19		
44	35	18		
45	32	16		
46	30	15		
47	28	14		
48	26	13		
49	24	12		
50	22	11		

Note: The coloured boxes indicate finish place of similar value for the four levels of events.

4. **5% and 8% Cut-off:** Only athletes who are within 5% of the men's winner's time and 8% of the women's winner's time will be eligible to earn points.
5. **Quality of Field Factor:** A QFF will be applied to all ITU events. The factor will be: Athletes ranked in the top 20 of the World Rankings who start an ITU event will increase the value of the event points by 2% to a maximum of 20% for any ITU event.
6. **2000 Year-end Points:** Athletes' 2000 year-end World Ranking Points will be divided by 10
7. **Removing Names from the Rankings:** Athletes who have not competed for two years will be dropped from the rankings.

8. **2001, 2002 Year-end reduction**: Points at year-end will be divided by 2. Year-end reduction for 2003 and 2004 will be part of the Olympic Qualification Criteria.
9. **Maximum Races to Count**: For 2001 and 2002 an athlete's six best results will be used to determine World Ranking Points. Of these six, a maximum of three can be International Points Races.