



ACT Fencing Association.

Ranking System.

1 Aim of the Rankings

The aim of the ranking system is to encourage more member fencers to attend competitions, expanding their fencing experiences, with the aim of building the Association in membership and strengthening the Fencing Community in the ACT.

The aim of the system is to determine the best fencers (male and female, open, veteran and junior, for foil, epee and sabre), based on overall participation and performance in ACT Fencing.

The Association also wants to encourage all fencers to fence the best they can, and to show them that the next levels of competition is not that hard. To this effect, all of the Junior and below age groups are encouraged to compete in the next age group up. All age groups from Under 15 and up are encouraged to attend relevant National level events, and Junior, Open and Veteran age groups encouraged to attend International events.

All comments are welcome throughout the year, and the Rules will be reviewed towards the end of the competition year. The Committee will be the arbiter of the rules. The President, or their delegate, will be the holder of the official rankings.

The Rankings will be a rolling system for the previous 12 months. The current rankings will be posted onto the ACTFA website after each competition. The winners will be awarded at the Annual ACTFA Dinner.

2 Definitions

The following definitions will be used for this policy:

Eligible ACT fencer	Member of ACTFA that has registered and paid either, the Junior, Senior, or Fencing Coach category for the competition year.
ACTFA Event	A competition that is either hosted by ACTFA, or hosted by a club affiliated to ACTFA
Cadet fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 17 years as of the 1st January in the competition year.
Competition Year	Will run from the 1st January to the 31st December each year
Junior fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 20 years as of the 1st January in the competition year
Open fencer	Any fencer
Novice fencer	Any fencer that first appeared on a Ranking list for any weapon, from anywhere in Australia, less than 4 years ago, and that has not been awarded Champion Novice fencer in any state in Australia. * Note: ACTFA recommends that fencers under 15 & their parent/s discuss participating in novice events with their coach before entering.
Under 9 Fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 9 years as of the 1st January in the competition year.
Under 11 fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 11 years as of the 1st January in the competition year.
Under 13 fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 13 years as of the 1st January in the competition year.
Under 15 fencer	Any fencer that is under the age of 15 years as of the 1st January in the competition year.
Veteran fencer	Any fencer that is over the age of 39 years as of the 1st January in the competition year

3 Eligibility for points

The rankings are open to all eligible ACTFA fencers.

Competitions for the various rankings categories are listed in Appendix A for each rankings category. For these competitions to be considered valid for inclusion in the rankings the following conditions must be met.

- A minimum of 4 weeks' notice to the Fencing community (and to ACTFA via the committee@actfa.org.au email address).
- A minimum of 4 fencers are required to take part in the competition.
- A competition can only consist of a single weapon for the inclusion of in the rankings. If an event has both Foil and Epee, then as far as the ranking system is concerned it is 2 competitions both held at the same time.
- For ACT Events, the calculations of the competition and allocation of Pools and Direct Eliminations (DE) MUST be completed accurately. It is recommended that an electronic method of calculating the placing be used. If a manual method is used, then it will only be considered a valid result if, when it is loaded into an electronic format, the order of Seeding from the Round Robin (RR) and the final rankings from the DE do not change. If there is any problem with the recording of scores or order of bouts, the ACTFA committee will determine if the results should be used in the Rankings.
- For non ACT Events, the official results as released by the organizer will be used to allocate points. It is the responsibility of the fencer to advise ACTFA (rankings@actfa.org.au) when they attend a non ACTFA event that attracts points in the Rankings. This notification must occur within 2 weeks of the event; otherwise the points may not be used in the rankings.

4 Allocation of Awards

The allocation of awards for the various weapons and categories will be based on the points obtained by eligible ACT fencers at the time of the completion of the Competition year.

To be eligible for an Award in a particular weapon/category, the fencer's rankings for the Weapon / Category must include at least one result from an ACTFA Event.

5 Club Points

ACTFA awards pennants in 2 categories for club points, each with 2 age groups Cadet and below, and Junior and above.

Participation – Each eligible ACTFA fencer that takes part in an eligible event during the competition year will attract one point for their Club in the relevant age group of the event. The club with the most points wins.

Competitive – From each age group rankings, at the end of the competition year, the top 25% of the list of fencers will attract points for their clubs. The points will be equivalent of their rankings. The club with the lowest value will win the Pennant in the relevant age group.

6 Appendix A

6.1 Novice Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Novice Club Monthly Competition	(a) * Age Appropriate Club Monthly Competition	(b) Novice Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) * Age Appropriate Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Novice State Competition	(c) * Age Appropriate State Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24
3rd - 4 th	16	18	18	20	20	22
5th - 8 th	12	14	14	16	16	18
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15
17th - 32th	6	8	8	10	10	13
33rd - 64th	3	5	5	7	7	10
65th - 128th	1	3	3	5	5	8

(a) A minimum of 1 and Maximum of 50% of available Monthly competitions will be included in the results for each fencer

(b) A minimum of 1 and a maximum of 3 club annual / NSW Regional events will be included in the results for each fencer.

(c) A maximum of 1 State competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

(*) Age appropriate competition means the age group that the fencer is in. (U9, U11, U15, U17, U20, Open, Veteran)

Under 9 Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Under 9 Club Monthly Competition	(a) Under 11 Club Monthly Competition	(b) Under 9 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Under 11 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Under 9 State Competition	(c) Under 11 State Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26
2nd	18	20	20	22	22	24
3rd - 4th	16	18	18	20	20	22
5th - 8th	12	14	14	16	16	18
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15
17th - 32th	6	8	8	10	10	13
33rd - 64th	3	5	5	7	7	10
65th - 128th	1	3	3	5	5	8

- (d) A minimum of 1 and Maximum of 50% of available Monthly competitions will be included in the results for each fencer
- (e) A minimum of 1 and a maximum of 3 club annual / NSW Regional events will be included in the results for each fencer.
- (f) A maximum of 1 State competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

6.2 Under 11 Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Under 11 Club Monthly Competition	(a) Under 13 Club Monthly Competition	(b) Under 11 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Under 13 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Under 11 State Competition	(c) Under 13 State Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24
3rd - 4th	16	18	18	20	20	22
5th - 8th	12	14	14	16	16	18
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15
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6.3 Under 13 Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Under 13 Club Monthly Competition	(a) Under 15 Club Monthly Competition	(b) Under 13 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Under 15 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Under 13 State Competition	(c) Under 15 State Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24
3rd - 4th	16	18	18	20	20	22
5th - 8th	12	14	14	16	16	18
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15
17th - 32th	6	8	8	10	10	13
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6.4 Under 15 Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Under 15 Club Monthly Competition	(a) Cadet(U17) Club Monthly Competition	(b) Under 15 Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Cadet(U17) Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Under 15 State Competition	(c) Cadet(U17) State Competition	(d) Under 15 National Competition	(d) Cadet(U17) National Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26	26	28
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24	24	26
3rd - 4 th	16	18	18	20	20	22	22	24
5th - 8 th	12	14	14	16	16	18	18	20
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15	15	17
17th - 32th	6	8	8	10	10	13	13	15
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- (d) A maximum of 1 National competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

6.5 Cadet (U17) Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Cadet(U17) Club Monthly Competition	(a) Junior (U20) Club Monthly Competition	(b) Cadet(U17) Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Junior (U20) Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Cadet(U17) State Competition	(c) Junior (U20) State Competition	(d) Cadet(U17) National Competition	(d) Junior (U20) National Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26	26	28
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24	24	26
3rd - 4 th	16	18	18	20	20	22	22	24
5th - 8 th	12	14	14	16	16	18	18	20
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15	15	17
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- (c) A maximum of 1 State competition will be included in the results for each fencer.
- (d) A maximum of 1 National competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

6.6 Junior (U20) Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Junior (U20) Club Monthly Competition	(a) Open Club Monthly Competition	(b) Junior (U20) Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(b) Open Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Junior (U20) State Competition	(c) Open State Competition	(d) Junior (U20) National Competition	(d) Open National Competition	(d) Open International Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26	26	28	Points as awarded for National Rankings
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24	24	26	
3rd - 4th	16	18	18	20	20	22	22	24	
5th - 8th	12	14	14	16	16	18	18	20	
9th - 16th	9	11	11	13	13	15	15	17	
17th - 32th	6	8	8	10	10	13	13	15	
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65th - 128th	1	3	3	5	5	8	8	10	

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- (c) A maximum of 1 State competition will be included in the results for each fencer.
- (d) A maximum of 1 National or International competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

6.7 Open Category points matrix

Placing	(a) Open Club Monthly Competition	(b) Open Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	(c) Open State Competition	(d) Open National Competition	(d) Open International Competition
1 st	20	22	24	26	Points as awarded for National Rankings
2 nd	18	20	22	24	
3rd - 4 th	16	18	20	22	
5th - 8 th	12	14	16	18	
9th - 16 th	9	11	13	15	
17th - 32th	6	8	10	13	
33rd - 64 th	3	5	7	10	
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- (c) A maximum of 1 State competition will be included in the results for each fencer.
- (d) A maximum of 1 National or International competition will be included in the results for each fencer.

6.8 Veteran Category points matrix

Placing	^(a) Veteran Club Monthly Competition	^(a) Open Club Monthly Competition	^(b) Veteran Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	^(b) Open Club Annual Competition / NSW Regional Comp	^(c) Veteran State Competition	^(c) Open State Competition	^(d) Veteran National Competition	^(d) Open National Competition	^(d) Veteran / Open International Competition
1 st	20	22	22	24	24	26	26	28	Points as awarded for National Rankings
2 nd	18	20	20	22	22	24	24	26	
3rd - 4 th	16	18	18	20	20	22	22	24	
5th - 8 th	12	14	14	16	16	18	18	20	
9th - 16 th	9	11	11	13	13	15	15	17	
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