



British Junior Ranking Scheme 2016-2017

1. Definitions

Junior in this document refers to fencers who are under 20 on 1st January 2017 (Born 1997 or later).

BRC - British Ranking Competition – this includes all nominated domestic competitions apart from the British Junior Championships

NIF - Notional International Fencer - which refers to the score worked out for each competition that gives an objective measure of the standard of that event.

TP - Talent Programmes

BF - British Fencing

2. The Junior Season

- 2.1 The new junior season starts after the Junior World Championships in April.
- 2.2 A **rolling ranking** came into effect in July 2014 and uses the results from nominated events over the previous year according to 3 below.
- 2.3 The ranking points will be updated after each nominated competition.

3. Junior Ranking Scheme - Events

- 3.1 Points will be awarded for:
The **British Junior Championships**. NB for this season the results from 3.7.16 will be used.
The fencer's best **three domestic (BRC)** results.
The fencer's best **three international** results.
- 3.2 Weapons will select (nominate) four Junior World Cup events as internationals and at least four domestic BRCs.
The Junior European and Junior World Championships can also count for international points.

NB. The Eden Cup, JMF World Cup in UK, will count as a Super-BRC with an additional multiplier. Any UK senior satellite world cups nominated as junior BRCs will have the same multiplier as domestic senior events.

Hence for the Junior ranking list the best results will count, as above.

- 3.3 It is the responsibility of the lead TP coach for each weapon to nominate the Junior World Cups and, together with the BF events manager, set the dates of the BRCs.

The calendars for each weapon will be available on the British Fencing website.

4. Compilation of the Junior Ranking list

4.1 Points are awarded to fencers who reach the **last 64** of a nominated competition, provided that in doing so they are placed in the **top 50%** of those competing (this number must not be rounded, 50% is within, and 50.1% is not) for international events, and **top 75%** for domestic events.

4.2 When counting the number of entries any fencer who starts the competition will be included (even if they withdraw or are disqualified) and all starters will count towards the grading of the event, i.e will be included in the NIF count.

4.3 Calculation of points

4.3.1 The points total scored in each competition is calculated by taking the grading points (NIF), representing the strength of the competition, and multiplying this value by the factor assigned to the fencer's final position (see link below for places 1-64).

4.3.2 An additional multiplier will be applied as shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Additional multipliers applied to NIF count - for the cadet ranking	
Domestic events	International events abroad
Junior NIF x 1	Junior World Cup NIF x 10
Junior British Championships NIF x 1.5	
Senior NIF x 1.5 (includes UK satellite world cups)	
Eden Cup JMF NIF x 3 (using junior world ranking)	
Table 2. Calculation of NIF count for Junior World Cup events including Eden Cup	
Junior World ranking	Points awarded per fencer
1-20	6
21-40	3
41-100	1

4.3.3 Calculating NIF points (prior to using the above multipliers)

Junior World Cups

As in table 1 using the top 100 of the Junior World ranking updated **before each nominated junior World Cup event.**

BRCs & Junior Championships

The NIF points are based on the Junior Ranking List, **updated before each BRC event**, with 6, 3, and 1 points for fencers in the top 10, 11-20 and 21-50 respectively.

Senior UK events (including U23 Championships)

The NIF points are based on the latest available Senior Ranking List **published before the event in question** using the pre-2015 scheme for calculation, i.e. with 6, 3, and 1 points for fencers in the top 10, 11-20 and 21-50 respectively. If the NIF value is higher when calculated as if a Junior-only event, the higher value will stand.

4.3.4 **Multipliers for places 1-64** See table on website – GBR section:

http://www.britishfencing.com/GBR/selections_and_rankings/points_multipliers_for_places_1-64/

5. Membership Requirement

The British Fencing National Ranking System is a benefit of membership and provided as a service to members.

These rankings are intended to:

- Provide a quantitative means for members to evaluate their performance over time and by comparison with other fencers.
- Provide assistance to selectors where ranking is a component in selection.

NB A UK-based fencer who does not have a current BF license at the time of competing in a junior ranking competition will not have any points computed.