

 SURFING AUSTRALIA

NATIONAL JUNIOR RANKINGS

**Annual National Rankings Champions in the Under 16 & 18 Male
& Female Divisions Will Earn a Spot On the Irukandjis Team and
Represent Australia at the ISA World Junior Championships**

WELCOME TO THE NATIONAL JUNIOR RANKINGS

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL JUNIOR RANKINGS?

Working closely with our State Branches as our event partners and with Live Heats, Surfing Australia will monitor and publish up to date rankings for every participating competitor in eligible events.

After each event, a surfers' placing will receive points that reflects the event rating.

There are 8 levels of Event Rating which are weighted according to the SA Event criteria.

At the end of the competition season the National Junior Rankings will showcase the best competitive surfers in each Australian age category.

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WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE NATIONAL JUNIOR RANKINGS?

The benefits of a National Junior Ranking system will be varied and wide-reaching. Surfers and their coaches will be able to monitor and promote their progress throughout the competitive year, Athlete management can utilise this progress for sponsorships and endorsements.



THE NO.1 GOAL OF A NATIONAL RANKINGS

TO PROVIDE NATIONAL RANKINGS FOR ALL COMPETITIVE SURFERS ACROSS ALL DIVISIONS OF AUSTRALIAN SURFING.

The National Rankings is continually being updated and would allow every competitive surfer access at any time their individual Australian ranking compared to all other surfers in their respective age divisions.



COMPETITION FORMATS AND DIVISIONS

COUNTING BEST RESULTS - 2023

DIVISION

COUNTING RESULTS

Under 18 (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 3 RESULTS
Under 16 (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 3 RESULTS
Under 14 (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 3 RESULTS
Under 12 (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 3 RESULTS
Under 10 (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 2 RESULTS
Under 8 Mixed (Jnr Male & Female)	COUNTING BEST 2 RESULTS

EVENT RATINGS

1 – 8 STAR EVENTS



BRC & LOCAL EVENTS:
1000 POINTS



REGIONAL TITLES:
2500 POINTS



REGIONAL EVENTS:
3500 POINTS



COMPETITIVE EVENTS:
4500 POINTS



STATE TITLES & KEY EVENTS:
5500 POINTS



MARQUEE & KEY EVENTS:
6500 POINTS



MARQUEE EVENTS:
7500 POINTS



**NATIONAL TITLES &
MARQUEE EVENTS:**
10000 POINTS

2023 EVENT RATINGS TABLE

		BRC & LOCAL EVENTS	REGIONAL TITLES	REGIONAL EVENTS (with Interstate competitors)	COMPETITIVE EVENTS (must fulfill all SA event parameters)	STATE TITLES & KEY EVENTS (must fulfill all SA event parameters)	MARQUEE & KEY EVENTS (must fulfill all SA event parameters)	MARQUEE EVENTS (must fulfill all SA event parameters)	NATIONAL TITLES AND MARQUEE EVENTS (must fulfill all SA event parameters)
Final Place	1-7 star Ratings	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	6 Star	7 Star	8 Star
1	x	1000	2500	3500	4500	5500	6500	7500	10000
2	x	860	2150	3010	3870	4730	5590	6450	8600
3	x	730	1825	2555	3285	4015	4745	5475	7300
4	x	670	1675	2345	3015	3685	4355	5025	6700
5	x	610	1525	2135	2745	3355	3965	4575	6100
6		583	1458	2041	2624	3207	3790	4373	5830
7	x	555	1388	1943	2498	3053	3608	4163	5550
8		528	1320	1848	2376	2904	3432	3960	5280
9	x	500	1250	1750	2250	2750	3250	3750	5000
10		488	1220	1708	2196	2684	3172	3660	4880
11		475	1188	1663	2138	2613	3088	3563	4750
12		462	1155	1617	2079	2541	3003	3465	4620
13	x	450	1125	1575	2025	2475	2925	3375	4500
14		438	1095	1533	1971	2409	2847	3285	4380
15		425	1063	1488	1913	2338	2763	3188	4250
16		413	1033	1446	1859	2272	2685	3098	4130
17	x	400	1000	1400	1800	2200	2600	3000	4000
18		395	988	1383	1778	2173	2568	2963	3950
19		390	975	1365	1755	2145	2535	2925	3900
20		385	963	1348	1733	2118	2503	2888	3850
21		380	950	1330	1710	2090	2470	2850	3800
22		375	938	1313	1688	2063	2813	2813	3750
23		370	925	1295	1665	2035	2775	2775	3700
24		365	913	1278	1643	2008	2738	2738	3650
25	x	360	900	1260	1620	1980	2700	2700	3600

KEY POINTS FOR STAKEHOLDERS

KEY POSITIVE POINTS FOR A SURFERS, PARENTS AND TEAM MANAGERS

- A State and National Junior Rankings allows for stronger negotiations for better sponsorship and endorsement packages
- A current ranking can allow the surfer to be more selective when choosing events to compete in without the issue of over surfing
- A National Junior Ranking can identify performance strengths and weaknesses of a competitor
- A surfer can balance their competitive aspirations with other life goals such as school, tertiary education or work/career
- Annual National Junior Rankings Champions in the Under 16 & 18 Male & Female Divisions will earn a spot on the Irukandjis Team and represent Australia at the ISA World Junior Championships.



KEY POINTS FOR STAKEHOLDERS

KEY POSITIVE POINTS FOR COACHES

- State and National Junior Rankings allow coaches to utilise and create a criteria for Talent ID and HPC programs and WC selection for Team Australia
- State and National Junior Rankings allow for the coaches to utilise results to analyse a surfers strengths and support their surfer through a strategic planning
- State and National Junior Rankings allow coaches to utilise rankings when setting career goals for their surfers



KEY POINTS FOR STAKEHOLDERS

KEY POSITIVE POINTS FOR STATE BRANCHES AND CLUBS

- Cohesive integrated rankings for Regional, State and National age divisions
- National Junior Rankings allows States to utilise where they see fit (wild cards & team selections)
- State coaches can utilise for State HP programs and Talent ID
- To have a State and or National Ranking the surfer must be a member of the State branch
- For an event to be rated the event must be sanctioned and insured with the State branch



KEY POINTS FOR EVENT ORGANISERS

EVENT ENTRY & SEEDING

Please note: All competitors entering a respective event will be placed on the events waitlist and order of seeding is as below;

Step 1 - The final top 4 competitors from each age division of the previous year's National Junior Rankings who are entered on the waitlist will be guaranteed entry into the event. For a Rd of 16 and less the Top 2 will be guaranteed entry.

Step 2 - The final top 2 competitors from each age division of the previous year's National Junior Rankings who are moving into an older age division and who are entered on the waitlist will be guaranteed entry into the event. For a Rd of 16 and less the Top 1 will be guaranteed entry.

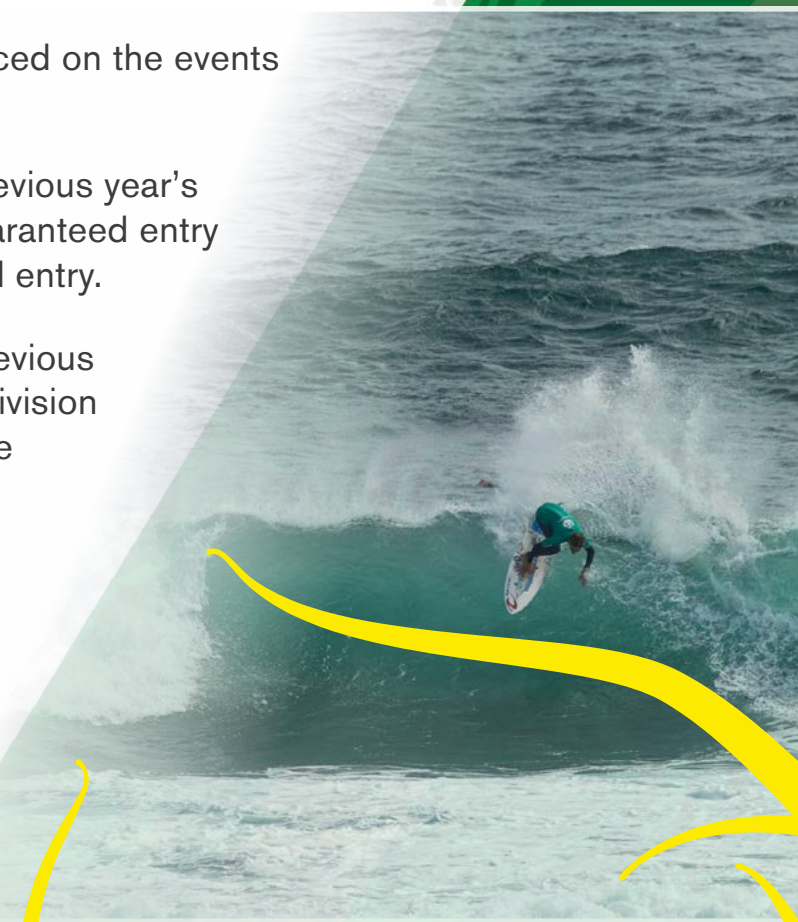
Step 3 - The host State, event promoter or BRC will retain wildcard positions in all divisions that can be used at the events discretion.

Step 4 - The next allocation of surfers will be based off the current National Junior Rankings at the time of entry.

Step 5 - The next allocation of surfers will be based off the current State Junior Rankings at the time of entry.

Step 6 - Any unfilled allocations will be distributed in order of entry on the event waitlist.

Please note: For events post July 30 the Event Entry & Seeding rationale will revert to current year placings on the National Junior Rankings. Event Entry & Seeding Parameters are subject to change.



KEY POINTS FOR EVENT ORGANISERS

STAKEHOLDERS – HOW TO UPGRADE AN EVENT TO THE NEXT TIER OF RANKINGS

All competitions that use the Live Heats scoring platform can be rated and their competing surfers can be ranked against their rivals throughout Australia.

All events must meet the SA event criteria to be rated.

*Parameters on page 12.

There are 8 rating levels:

Tier 1: 1000 pts and down (BRC's and Local events)

Tier 2: 2500 pts and down (Regional Titles)

Tier 3: 3500 pts and down (Regional events with Interstate competitors)

Tier 4: 4500 pts and down (Competitive single Event promoters)

Tier 5: 5500 pts and down (State Titles and Key Events)

Tier 6: 6500 pts and down (Marquee and Key Events)

Tier 7: 7500 pts and down (Marquee Events)

Tier 8: 10000 pts and down (National Titles and Marquee Events)



HOW TO MAINTAIN AND/OR UPGRADE YOUR EVENT

EVENT PARAMETERS	1 STAR (1000 PTS) TO 2 STAR (2500 PTS)	3 STAR (3500 PTS) TO 7 STAR (7500 PTS)	8 STAR (10,000 PTS)
Competition Standards – Live Heats (mandatory)	✓	✓	✓
Competition Standards – State/National sanctioned and Insured (mandatory)	✓	✓	✓
Competition Standards – Minimum L2 Progression Judges and Head Judge (mandatory)	✓	✓	✓
Competition Standards – Priority System	✗	✓	✓
Competition Standards – Recommended Heat times (To be based off competition schedule requirements)	15 to 20 mins	15 to 25 mins	15 to 25 mins
Event Entry and Seeding on page 10	✓	✓	✓
Minimum Days – The event window will reflect the amount of competitors and desired format	–	2/4 days	4/7 + days
Minimum amount of competitors – The event formats will reflect the amount of competitors	–	100+	200 +
Minimum amount of Divisions – Minimum of 3 age divisions needed (amount of competitors and format sizes)	Under 8,10,12, 14,16 &18	Under 8,10,12, 14,16 &18	Under 8,10,12, 14,16 &18
Equal Male and Female categories across all age divisions – (Equal format size is not a requirement)	✓	✓	✓

Please note: Surfing Australia have sole discretion assigning event ratings, event ratings upgrades and event ratings downgrades within the National Junior Rankings based on the adherence to the above parameters. The National Junior Rankings is subject to change.

KEY POINTS FOR EVENT ORGANISERS

MINIMUM SIZE FORMATS

- It is recommended there be a minimum of two days required to conduct the smallest Nationally rated event. (EG. 1 star 1000 pts)
- Bigger events with multiple divisions will require more days to cater for minimum entry numbers and age divisions. (EG. 2 star 2500 pts to 8 star 10,000 pts)
- Please refer to SA Rule book for available formats – Straight Knockout, Second Chance and SA new seeded format for Nationally ranked competitions.

All Events must have minimum sized formats:

- Under 8, 10 & 12 minimum draw size of 12 male/female
– Straight knockout format (6 heats)
- Under 14 minimum draw size of 16 male/female
– Straight knockout format (7 heats)
- Under 16 minimum draw size of 20 male/female
– Straight knockout format (10 heats)
- Under 18 minimum draw size of 20 male/female
– Straight knockout



FAQ'S

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Can I toggle between State and National Junior Rankings?

A. Yes, all rankings are available on the Surfing Australia rankings page under the drop down menu.

Q. Will Live Heats accept all variations of a surfers name?

A. Yes, but two or more different variations to a name will result in two rankings, it is important that a surfers name is spelt correctly when entering details. Two different versions of a name will need to be merged manually by live heats.

Q. Does the State branch publish the National Junior Rankings?

A. No the National administrator will double check the event rating and results and names before publishing to the main rankings page.

Q. What do I have to do to increase my event rating?

A. We have introduced a number of new parameters that define what an event has to implement to go to the next tier of the ratings, see page 12.

