

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD RANKING METHODOLOGY

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Top-Tier World Events	Max Points	Min Points (10%)
Women's World Cup	1,200 (+ 180 Bonus to winner)	120

World Championships		
U-18 Softball World Cup	500 (+ 75 Bonus to winner)	50
U-15 Softball World Cup	400 (+ 60 Bonus to winner)	40
U-12 Mixed Softball World Cup*	150 (+ 25 Bonus to winner)	15

Major Multi Sport Events & Senior Continental Championships**		
Team Quality Bonus + Top 12 Bonus	Max Points	Points to Last Placed
Team Quality Bonus:	Max 500 - Min 100	10% of total
50 Points for each Top 12 Country		
25 Points for each Top 24 Country		
10 Points for each Top 36 Country		
5 Points for all others		
Top 12 Bonus:		
2-3 Top 12 = 50 points extra		
4 or more Top 12 = 100 points extra		

^{*} With less than 5 participating countries the number of points awarded will be reduced in percentage as follows:

^{**} Only Senior World Cup qualifying events. All other Continental Championships to be considered as Official Continental events.

Official Continental & Regional Events		
Team Quality Bonus:		
50 Points for each Top 12 Country		
25 Points for each Top 24 Country	Max 100	10% of total
10 Points for each Top 36 Country		
5 Points for all others		
* With less than 5 participating countries (min 3) the number of points awarded will be reduced in percentage as follows: 5 or more participants : 100 %; 4 participants : 80 %; 3 participants : 60 %.		

⁵ or more participants : 100 %; 4 participants : 80 %; 3 participants : 60 % ; 2 participants : 30 %.

Minor Multi-Sport Events		
Team Quality Bonus:		
50 Points for each Top 12 Country		
25 Points for each Top 24 Country	Max 100	10% of total
10 Points for each Top 36 Country		
5 Points for all others		
FISU Universiade	40	4
* With less than 5 participating countries (min 3) the number of points awarded will be reduced in percentage as follows: 5 or more participants: 100 %; 4 participants: 80 %; 3 participants: 60 %.		

Softball World Cup Qualifiers		
U-18 Softball World Cup	100	10
U-15 Softball World Cup	80	8
U-12 Mixed Softball World Cup	30	3
* With less than 5 participating countries the number of points awarded will be reduced in percentage as follows: 5 or more participants: 100 %; 4 participants: 80 %; 3 participants: 60 %; 2 participants: 30 %.		

Head-to-Head Friendlies		
Win over a Top 12 Team	6	
Win over a Top 24 Team	4	
Win over any other Team	2	
Bonus:		
Win over a team ranked 10 or more positions higher	4	
Win over a team ranked 5 to 9 positions higher	2	

^{*}Note: the U-12 Mixed Softball World Cup has been removed from the WBSC event calendar.

TOURNAMENT POINT DIFFERENTIAL CALCULATION FORMULA:

The formula for the points-differential between each team in the final standings of a tournament is:

Using Women's World Cup as an example:

Max Points: 1.200 + 180

Min Points: 120

1st Place: 1.200 + 180 bonus

2nd Place: 1.102 3rd Place: 1.004, etc...

Note:

Decimal numbers (e.g., 78.xx) have been eliminated from the rankings.