



VOLLEYBALL WORLD RANKINGS

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2009 Taipei Deaflympics: Japan (black) vs. Venezuela (white)

OVERVIEW

INTERNATIONAL GOVERNING BODY OF VOLLEYBALL:

The governing body of volleyball for the deaf and hard of hearing at the international level is the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD). Its website is <http://www.deaflympics.com>.

REGIONAL CONFEDERATIONS:

There are four (4) regional confederations under ICSD. They are:

Asia Pacific Deaf Sports Confederation – APDSC: <http://www.apdsc.org>

30 Nations:

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|-------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Australia | 9. Indonesia | 17. Kyrgyzstan | 25. Singapore |
| 2. Bahrain | 10. Iran | 18. Macau | 26. Thailand |
| 3. Bangladesh | 11. Iraq | 19. Malaysia | 27. Turkmenistan |
| 4. China | 12. Japan | 20. Mongolia | 28. United Arab Emirates |
| 5. Chinese Taipei | 13. Jordan | 21. New Zealand | 29. Uzbekistan |
| 6. Fiji | 14. Kazakhstan | 22. Pakistan | 30. Yemen |
| 7. Hong Kong | 15. Korea | 23. Philippines | |
| 8. India | 16. Kuwait | 24. Saudi Arabia | |

Confederation of African Deaf Sports – CADS: No website available

22 Nations:

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|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| 1. Algeria | 7. Ghana | 13. Senegal | 19. Tunisia |
| 2. Cameroon | 8. Guinea | 14. Seychelles | 20. Uganda |
| 3. Congo | 9. Kenya | 15. Sierra Leone | 21. Zambia |
| 4. Côte d'Ivoire | 10. Mali | 16. South Africa | 22. Zimbabwe |
| 5. Egypt | 11. Nigeria | 17. Swaziland | |
| 6. Gambia | 12. Mauritius | 18. Tanzania | |

European Deaf Sports Organization – EDSO: <http://www.edso.eu>

42 Nations:

- | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 1. Armenia | 10. Czech Republic | 21. Ireland | 32. Portugal |
| 2. Austria | 11. Denmark | 22. Israel | 33. Romania |
| 3. Azerbaijan | 12. Estonia | 23. Italy | 34. Russian Federation |
| 4. Belarus | 13. Finland | 24. Latvia | 35. Serbia |
| 5. Belgium | 14. France | 25. Lithuania | 36. Slovakia |
| 6. Bosnia and Herzegovina | 15. Georgia | 26. Macedonia | 37. Slovenia |
| 7. Bulgaria | 16. Germany | 27. Malta | 38. Spain |
| 8. Croatia | 17. Great Britain | 28. Moldova | 39. Sweden |
| 9. Cyprus | 18. Greece | 29. Netherlands | 40. Switzerland |
| | 19. Hungary | 30. Norway | 41. Turkey |
| | 20. Iceland | 31. Poland | 42. Ukraine |

Pan American Deaf Sports Organization – PANAMDES: <http://www.panamdes.com>

13 Nations:

- | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. Argentina | 5. Chile | 9. Mexico | 13. Venezuela |
| 2. Bolivia | 6. Colombia | 10. Peru | |
| 3. Brazil | 7. Cuba | 11. United States | |
| 4. Canada | 8. Ecuador | 12. Uruguay | |

ORGANIZATIONS

GOVERNING BODY OF DEAFLYMPICS AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD)

<http://www.deaflympics.com>



ASIA PACIFIC DEAF SPORTS CONFEDERATION

<http://www.apdsc.org>



CONFEDERATION OF AFRICAN DEAF SPORTS

(no website available)



EUROPEAN DEAF SPORTS ORGANIZATION

<http://www.edso.eu>



PAN AMERICAN DEAF SPORTS ORGANIZATION

<http://www.panamdes.com>



INTERNATIONAL GOVERNING BODY OF VOLLEYBALL

Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)

<http://www.fivb.org/>



CONTACT

Questions and requests for more information may be sent to ICSD Volleyball Technical Director at VolleyballTD@ciss.org. Contact information for the technical director is available at <http://www.deaflympics.com/contact.asp?id=TD>

EVENT CATEGORY

Official results from the following three (3) categories of volleyball events shall be included in the world ranking system.

1. **Regional Confederation Deaf Volleyball Championships** (quadrennial)

The regional confederation championships are held one or two years prior to either world championships or Deaflympics.

APDSC: 2016 (?) at city (?), nation (?)

CADS: ?

EDSO: May 2015 at Paris, France

PANAMDES: 2015 (?) at city (?), nation (?)

2. **World Deaf Volleyball Championships** (quadrennial)

The world championships are held one year prior to the Deaflympics.

3. **Deaflympics** (quadrennial)

WORLD RANKING

The Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) Board of Administration has a system of point attribution for specific events and percentage-based point reduction over a period of time. The purpose of the World Ranking is to provide an objective scale of values of teams participating in sanctioned volleyball events. Points earned are restricted to ICSD-sanctioned events for the deaf only.

1. The World Ranking List is composed of a list of nations, 3-letter country codes, country flags, total points, events, event-based points, and date of last update. The list is sorted in a descending order by total points.
2. The World Ranking List is published under Sports – Volleyball on the ICSD website.
3. The inaugural implementation of the World Ranking shall have all teams start at zero (0) points prior to the 2008 World Deaf Volleyball Championships (Buenos Aires, Argentina).
4. A team shall earn zero points at any event for which it registered but did not participate in (forfeiture or withdrawal).

RANKING POINTS : FORMULA

The system of point attribution for the selected ICSD official competitions is as follows:

1. Regional Confederation Deaf Volleyball Championships is included for 4 years with a 25% reduction each year.
2. World Deaf Volleyball Championship is included for 4 years with a 25% reduction each year.
3. Deaflympics is included for 4 years with a 25% reduction each year.

In a traditional system, points are awarded to teams based on their final event placements using a fixed table of final placements and points. This traditional system does not work well for the sport of volleyball because the number of teams participating in each regional confederation ("RC") volleyball championships varies. For example, Team "X" who finishes third in a field of four teams in one RC event would earn the same points as Team "Y" who also finishes third but in a much larger and more competitive field of ten teams in another RC event.

Therefore, the formula that will be applied to all events – both large and small – is as follows:

$$\text{Points_Earned} = \text{Event_Multiplier} \times (\text{Number_Of_Event_Teams} - (\text{Team_Event_Placement} - 1))$$

Each event's multiplier, the *Event_Multiplier*, is assigned as follows:

Regional Confederation:	1
World Championships:	2
Deaflympics:	4

The table shown below is an example where the number of teams in each event varies.

Regional Confederation Deaf Volleyball Championships				World Deaf Volleyball Championships		Deaflympics	
Final Placement	Points	Final Placement	Points	Final Placement	Points	Final Placement	Points
1	10	1	4	1	32	1	48
2	9	2	3	2	30	2	44
3	8	3	2	3	28	3	40
4	7	4	1	4	26	4	36
5	6			5	24	5	32
6	5			6	22	6	28
7	4			7	20	7	24
8	3			8	18	8	20
9	2			9	16	9	16
10	1			10	14	10	12
				11	12	11	8
				12	10	12	4
				13	8		
				14	6		
				15	4		
				16	2		

RANKING POINTS : MEN

MEN Updated: 6 August 2013			2013 Deaflympics			2012 Worlds			2011 / 2012 Regionals		
			100%			75%			75% (50% in 2011)		
Rank	Team	Points	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.
1	Ukraine	63.00	1	40	40.00	1	24	18.00	1	10	5.00
2	Russia	57.00	2	36	36.00	2	22	16.50	2	9	4.50
3	Iran	44.00	3	32	32.00	5	16	12.00			
4	Turkey	36.50	4	28	28.00	10	6	4.50	3	8	4.00
5	Germany	34.50	7	16	16.00	3	20	15.00	4	7	3.50
6	Italy	27.00	5	24	24.00				5	6	3.00
7	Bulgaria	23.00	6	20	20.00	11	4	3.00			
8	Venezuela	22.50	8	12	12.00	8	10	7.50	1	4	3.00
9	Japan	21.50	9	8	8.00	4	18	13.50			
10	France	13.00				6	14	10.50	6	5	2.50
11	Belgium	9.00				7	12	9.00			
12	Poland	8.00				9	8	6.00	7	4	2.00
13	Brazil	6.25	10	4	4.00				2	3	2.25
14	Argentina	3.00				12	2	1.50	3	2	1.50
15	Belarus	1.50							8	3	1.50
16	Netherlands	1.00							9	2	1.00
17	Peru	0.75							4	1	0.75
18	Estonia	0.50							10	1	0.50

RANKING POINTS : WOMEN

WOMEN Updated: 6 August 2013			2013 Deaflympics			2012 Worlds			2011 / 2012 Regionals		
			100%			75%			75% (50% in 2011)		
Rank	Team	Points	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.	Rk.	Pts.	Tot.
1	Ukraine	67.50	1	48	48.00	1	20	15.00	1	9	4.50
2	Russia	55.50	3	40	40.00	3	16	12.00	3	7	3.50
3	Japan	55.25	2	44	44.00	5	12	9.00	1	3	2.25
4	United States	49.50	4	36	36.00	2	18	13.50			
5	Poland	42.00	5	32	32.00	6	10	7.50	5	5	2.50
6	Belarus	41.50	6	28	28.00	4	14	10.50	4	6	3.00
7	Italy	28.00	7	24	24.00				2	8	4.00
8	Mexico	23.00	8	20	20.00				1	4	3.00
9	Germany	18.00	9	16	16.00				6	4	2.00
10	Uzbekistan	13.50	10	12	12.00				2	2	1.50
11	Canada	10.25	11	8	8.00				2	3	2.25
12	Argentina	7.50				7	8	6.00	3	2	1.50
13	Hungary	4.50				8	6	4.50			
14	Turkey	4.00				9	4	3.00	8	2	1.00
	South Africa	4.00	12	4	4.00						
16	Netherlands	1.50							7	3	1.50
	Israel	1.50				10	2	1.50			
18	Brazil	0.75							4	1	0.75
	Iran	0.75							3	1	0.75
20	Estonia	0.50							9	1	0.50