

How the 2016 SAGA Junior Player Ranking Works?

Objective

Provide a Ranking in which performances in Counting Events, over a rolling 12-month period, are considered in determining a player's standing within the Ranking.

There are three 'Rankings' within the SAGA Junior Ranking, they are:

- Under 19 (U19) Ranking (Referred to as **Junior All** on www.saga.co.za)
- Under 17 (U17) Ranking
- Under 15 (U15) Ranking

Counting Events

Each year the SAGA determines which of its sanctioned tournaments count towards the Ranking (known as 'Counting Events'). This is published with its tournament schedule on www.saga.co.za. Both Stroke Play and Match Play tournaments are included as Counting Events.

Eligibility for Ranking

Players eligible for each Ranking are as follows:

- For Junior All (U19): must be under 19 years of age; or
- For U17: must be under 17 years of age; or
- For U15: must be under 15 years of age; and
- A member of a golf club affiliated to a Union that is a member of the SAGA;

The U19 Ranking contains performances of all U19, U17 and U15 players in Counting Events. The U17 Ranking contains all U17 and U15 players while the U15 Ranking contains only U15 players.

When will a player no longer be eligible for a Ranking?

If a player in the U15 Ranking turns 15 years of age on his birthday, he will fall out the U15 Ranking the same day. He will however be eligible for the U17 and U19 Rankings.

Who gets Points?

All players participating in a Counting Event, regardless of eligibility, are allocated points based on their finishing position as follows:

- Stroke Play: All players making the cut;
- Stroke Play: Up to 65th place and ties when there is no cut;
- Match Play: All qualifying players (i.e. from first round losers).

For examples of points by final finishing position, see Figure 1 below.

Stroke Play										Match Play									
Pos	%	1500	1250	1000	800	600	500	300	Pos	%	Field of 64				Field of 32 players				
											1500	1250	1000	900	1500	1250	1000		
1	10,0013%	150,02	125,02	100,01	80,01	60,01	50,01	30,00	1	10,0013%	-	150,02	125,02	100,01	90,01	150,02	125,02	100,01	
2	8,0011%	120,02	100,01	80,01	64,01	48,01	40,01	24,00	2	8,0011%	-	120,02	100,01	80,01	72,01	120,02	100,01	80,01	
3	6,9009%	103,51	86,26	69,01	55,21	41,41	34,50	20,70	3	6,3808%	6,3808%	95,71	79,76	63,81	57,43	95,71	79,76	63,81	
4	5,8608%	87,91	73,26	58,61	46,89	35,16	29,30	17,58	4	6,3808%		95,71	79,76	63,81	57,43	95,71	79,76	63,81	
5	4,9707%	74,56	62,13	49,71	39,77	29,82	24,85	14,91	5	4,1080%	4,1080%	61,62	51,35	41,08	36,97	61,62	51,35	41,08	
6	4,2306%	63,46	52,88	42,31	33,84	25,38	21,15	12,69	6	4,1080%		61,62	51,35	41,08	36,97	61,62	51,35	41,08	
7	3,8005%	57,01	47,51	38,00	30,40	22,80	19,00	11,40	7	4,1080%	61,62	51,35	41,08	36,97	61,62	51,35	41,08		
8	3,4305%	51,46	42,88	34,30	27,44	20,58	17,15	10,29	8	4,1080%	61,62	51,35	41,08	36,97	61,62	51,35	41,08		
9	3,0804%	46,21	38,51	30,80	24,64	18,48	15,40	9,24	9	2,3789%	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79	
10	2,7724%	41,59	34,65	27,72	22,18	16,63	13,86	8,32	10	2,3789%		35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79	
11	2,4951%	37,43	31,19	24,95	19,96	14,97	12,48	7,49	11	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
12	2,3704%	35,56	29,63	23,70	18,96	14,22	11,85	7,11	12	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
13	2,2519%	33,78	28,15	22,52	18,01	13,51	11,26	6,76	13	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
14	2,1303%	31,95	26,63	21,30	17,04	12,78	10,65	6,39	14	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
15	2,0103%	30,15	25,13	20,10	16,08	12,06	10,05	6,03	15	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
16	1,9203%	28,80	24,00	19,20	15,36	11,52	9,60	5,76	16	2,3789%	35,68	29,74	23,79	21,41	35,68	29,74	23,79		
17	1,8242%	27,36	22,80	18,24	14,59	10,95	9,12	5,47	17	1,2785%	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78	
18	1,7202%	25,80	21,50	17,20	13,76	10,32	8,60	5,16	18	1,2785%		19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78	
19	1,6342%	24,51	20,43	16,34	13,07	9,81	8,17	4,90	19	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
20	1,5525%	23,29	19,41	15,53	12,42	9,32	7,76	4,66	20	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
21	1,4802%	22,20	18,50	14,80	11,84	8,88	7,40	4,44	21	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
22	1,4062%	21,09	17,58	14,06	11,25	8,44	7,03	4,22	22	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
23	1,3359%	20,04	16,70	13,36	10,69	8,02	6,68	4,01	23	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
24	1,2691%	19,04	15,86	12,69	10,15	7,61	6,35	3,81	24	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
25	1,2056%	18,08	15,07	12,06	9,65	7,23	6,03	3,62	25	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
26	1,1453%	17,18	14,32	11,45	9,16	6,87	5,73	3,44	26	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
27	1,1101%	16,65	13,88	11,10	8,88	6,66	5,55	3,33	27	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
28	1,0546%	15,82	13,18	10,55	8,44	6,33	5,27	3,16	28	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
29	1,0019%	15,03	12,52	10,02	8,02	6,01	5,01	3,01	29	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
30	0,9518%	14,28	11,90	9,52	7,61	5,71	4,76	2,86	30	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
31	0,9042%	13,56	11,30	9,04	7,23	5,43	4,52	2,71	31	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
32	0,8590%	12,89	10,74	8,59	6,87	5,15	4,30	2,58	32	1,2785%	19,18	15,98	12,78	11,51	19,18	15,98	12,78		
33	0,8161%	12,24	10,20	8,16	6,53	4,90	4,08	2,45	33	0,4112%	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70
34	0,7753%	11,63	9,69	7,75	6,20	4,65	3,88	2,33	34	0,4112%		6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70
35	0,7365%	11,05	9,21	7,36	5,89	4,42	3,68	2,21	35	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
36	0,6997%	10,50	8,75	7,00	5,60	4,20	3,50	2,10	36	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
37	0,6647%	9,97	8,31	6,65	5,32	3,99	3,32	1,99	37	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
38	0,6315%	9,47	7,89	6,31	5,05	3,79	3,16	1,89	38	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
39	0,5999%	9,00	7,50	6,00	4,80	3,60	3,00	1,80	39	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
40	0,5699%	8,55	7,12	5,70	4,56	3,42	2,85	1,71	40	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
41	0,5414%	8,12	6,77	5,41	4,33	3,25	2,71	1,62	41	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
42	0,5143%	7,71	6,43	5,14	4,11	3,09	2,57	1,54	42	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
43	0,4886%	7,33	6,11	4,89	3,91	2,93	2,44	1,47	43	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
44	0,4642%	6,96	5,80	4,64	3,71	2,79	2,32	1,39	44	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
45	0,4410%	6,61	5,51	4,41	3,53	2,65	2,20	1,32	45	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
46	0,4189%	6,28	5,24	4,19	3,35	2,51	2,09	1,26	46	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
47	0,3980%	5,97	4,97	3,98	3,18	2,39	1,99	1,19	47	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
48	0,3781%	5,67	4,73	3,78	3,02	2,27	1,89	1,13	48	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
49	0,3592%	5,39	4,49	3,59	2,87	2,16	1,80	1,08	49	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
50	0,3412%	5,12	4,27	3,41	2,73	2,05	1,71	1,02	50	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
51	0,3242%	4,86	4,05	3,24	2,59	1,94	1,62	0,97	51	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
52	0,3079%	4,62	3,85	3,08	2,46	1,85	1,54	0,92	52	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
53	0,2925%	4,39	3,66	2,93	2,34	1,76	1,46	0,88	53	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
54	0,2779%	4,17	3,47	2,78	2,22	1,67	1,39	0,83	54	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
55	0,2640%	3,96	3,30	2,64	2,11	1,58	1,32	0,79	55	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
56	0,2508%	3,76	3,14	2,51	2,01	1,50	1,25	0,75	56	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
57	0,2383%	3,57	2,98	2,38	1,91	1,43	1,19	0,71	57	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
58	0,2264%	3,40	2,83	2,26	1,81	1,36	1,13	0,68	58	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
59	0,2150%	3,23	2,69	2,15	1,72	1,29	1,08	0,65	59	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
60	0,2043%	3,06	2,55	2,04	1,63	1,23	1,02	0,61	60	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
61	0,1941%	2,91	2,43	1,94	1,55	1,16	0,97	0,58	61	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
62	0,1844%	2,77	2,30	1,84	1,48	1,11	0,92	0,55	62	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
63	0,1752%	2,63	2,19	1,75	1,40	1,05	0,88	0,53	63	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
64	0,1664%	2,50	2,08	1,66	1,33	1,00	0,83	0,50	64	0,4112%	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	6,17	5,14	4,11	3,70	
65	0,1581%	2,37	1,98	1,58	1,26	0,95	0,79	0,47	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Figure 1: Examples of distribution of Stroke and Match Play Points

How does a player win points?

Each Counting Event is allocated a total points pool. The total points pool is distributed, as a percentage of the total, by final finishing position. For example, the winner in a Stroke Play competition, gets 10% of the total points pool. If the total points pool is 1000 then the winner will receive 100 points.

How are points for players tying managed?

In the event of more than one player tying on a score, then all players on the same score will get the same number of points calculated as follows: Add all points the tied players would have got had they not tied; divide the total by the number of players tying; all players are then allocated the result (which is an average).

Exception: In the event of a tie on the leading score on conclusion of a Counting Event, then in the event of a playoff the winner will be given 1st place points. The remaining players will be considered tied in 2nd place and get the same number of points calculated as stated in this paragraph.

How are points determined in a match play field of 32?

The percentage breakdown, for a field of 64, is applied to the total points pool advertised to the top 32 places only.

How is the Ranking determined?

The Ranking is determined by a calculation in which a total number of points won by a player is divided by the number of Counting Events played, as outlined below, producing an 'average'. Players are ranked from highest 'average' to the lowest. A player must play in a minimum of 5 Counting Events to be given a Ranking position. If a player wins points in a Counting Event but has failed to play the required minimum he will appear in the Ranking but will be given the position 'DNQ' (denotes – Does not Qualify).

Only once a player has won points in a Counting Event will he appear in the Ranking.

How are a player's Ranking points calculated?

Ranking points are determined as follows:

Those who have played in 5 or less Counting Events

All points won in Counting Events are added together and divided by 5, the minimum divisor.

Those who have played in more than 5 Counting Events

For a player who has played in 6 or 7 Counting Events: Disregard the Counting Event with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 1;

For a player who has played in 8 or 9 Counting Events: Disregard the two Counting Events with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 2;

For a player who has played in 10 or 11 Counting Events: Disregard the three Counting Events with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 3;

For a player who has played in 12 or 13 Counting Events: Disregard the four Counting Events with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 4;

For a player who has played in 14 or 15 Counting Events: Disregard the five Counting Events with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 5;

For a player who has played in 16 or 17 Counting Events: Disregard the six Counting Events with the lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 6;

For a player who has played in 18 or more Counting Events: Disregard the seven Counting Events with lowest number of points won. Take the total of points won in the remaining Counting Events, the player has played, and divide by the total number of Counting Events played minus 7.

(eg: If a player has played in 15 Counting Events, the ten Counting Events in which the player scored the ten highest number of points are added together and divided by 10).

Who is listed in the Ranking?

Players who are eligible (see 'Eligibility for Ranking') only are given a ranking position.

What does a player's name in italics indicate?

If a player has played in at least 2 Coastal and 2 Inland Counting Events, then his name will appear in **italics** on the Ranking.

A Coastal Counting Event is defined as a Counting Event hosted by any one of the following SAGA Unions: Border, Boland, Eastern Province, Kwazulu-Natal, Southern Cape and Western Province.

All other SAGA Unions are considered an Inland Counting Event.

Who is eligible for Team selection?

An eligible player is one who has a Ranking position (i.e. he has played in the minimum required number of Counting Events) and his name is recorded, in the Ranking, in italics (i.e. he has played the above stated minimum number of Coastal and Inland Counting Events).

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