WORLD RANKING SYSTEM

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From Districts to States, Nations to Continents,
and Ultimately to the World.

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About This Booklet

This booklet sets out the VILLOWO® World Ranking System (VWRS), the International Framework established by VILLOWO INTERNATIONAL to recognize and rank the competitive performances of eligible VILLOWO® players.

It explains the creator and history of VWRS, player eligibility and the VI Number, the five-level competition hierarchy, the common finishing-position points structure, participation requirements, annual championship participation limits and quarterly publication of rankings.

GOVERNING AUTHORITY
VILLOWO International is the World Governing Authority responsible for the administration, regulation, validation and publication of the VILLOWO® World Ranking System.

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1. History and Establishment of VWRS

The Origin of the VILLOWO® World Ranking System

The VILLOWO® World Ranking System (VWRS) was conceptualized, created and developed by Mr. Raghu Kumar Raghavelu, Founder of VILLOWO International.

Recognizing the importance of a structured, transparent and internationally consistent ranking framework for the development of VILLOWO® as a global sport, Raghu Kumar Raghavelu established VWRS to provide players with a progressive pathway to competitive recognition from District-level competitions through State, National and Continental competitions to the World stage.

VWRS was designed to bring players and competitions at different geographical levels into one unified framework. It assigns ranking points according to the level of the sanctioned competition and the player's final finishing position, while maintaining a common finishing-position structure across all five levels.

A defining feature of the system is the integration of player licensing and ranking registration through a single unique identification: the Villowo International Number (VIN). This number serves as the player's VILLOWO International Players License and the identification used to record competition participation and VWRS ranking points.

CREATOR OF VWRS
Raghu Kumar Raghavelu - Creator of the VILLOWO® World Ranking System (VWRS) and Founder of VILLOWO International.

Website reference: www.villowo.org

2. Introduction

The VILLOWO® World Ranking System (VWRS) is the international performance-based ranking framework established by VILLOWO International to recognize, measure and rank the competitive achievements of registered VILLOWO® players.

VWRS provides a structured pathway for players to progress from District competitions to State, National, Continental and World competitions. It creates a common basis for recognizing results achieved in officially sanctioned championships, tournaments, leagues and other competitive events.

The system is based on three central principles: player eligibility through a valid VI Number (VIN); participation in competitions sanctioned by VILLOWO International; and the award of ranking points according to competition level and finishing position.

3. Vision, Purpose and Objectives

The vision of VWRS is to establish a unified and credible international ranking framework that connects VILLOWO® players and competitions across countries and continents.

- Establish a unified global ranking framework for eligible VILLOWO® players.
- Recognize competitive achievement at District, State, National, Continental and World levels.
- Provide a clear pathway from local competition to the international stage.
- Encourage participation in VILLOWO International-sanctioned competitions.
- Apply a consistent finishing-position points structure across competition formats within each level.
- Maintain identifiable player records through the VI Number.
- Publish separate Men's and Women's World Rankings.
- Support the growth and international development of VILLOWO® Sport.

4. Governing Authority and Responsibilities

VILLOWO International shall be the governing authority responsible for the establishment, administration, regulation and publication of VWRS.

In administering the system, VILLOWO International shall:

- Establish and maintain the VWRS regulations and points structure.
- Sanction or approve competitions eligible to award VWRS ranking points.
- Verify competition status, participation requirements, final results and player identities.
- Maintain player ranking records using each player's VI Number.
- Calculate and publish official quarterly rankings.

- Correct ranking records where verified errors or omissions are identified.
- Issue further regulations or circulars where additional administrative detail is required.

5. Player Eligibility, Players License and VI Number

5.1 Mandatory VILLOWO International Players License

Only players holding a valid VILLOWO International Players License are eligible to participate in officially sanctioned VILLOWO® championships, tournaments, leagues and other competitions.

5.2 One Identification Number

Every player registered with VILLOWO International shall be issued one unique VI Number. The VI Number is the player's official VILLOWO International Players License and VWRS registration identification.

5.3 Use of the VI Number

- Official player identification and license reference.
- Registration and eligibility verification for sanctioned competitions.
- Recording competition entries, participation and verified results.
- Crediting and tracking VWRS ranking points.
- Maintaining the player's official ranking record.

5.4 Validity and Compliance

Players must hold a valid license and comply with the VILLOWO® Book of Rules, the regulations of the relevant competition and applicable VILLOWO International policies. A player must use the same VI Number for all eligible competitions; duplicate or substitute identities must not be used.

OFFICIAL PLAYER IDENTIFICATION PRINCIPLE
ONE PLAYER. ONE VI NUMBER. ONE GLOBAL IDENTITY.

5.5 Ranking Eligibility

Only players holding a valid VI Number are eligible to earn VWRS ranking points and appear in the official Men's or Women's World Ranking, as applicable.

6. Competition Hierarchy and Universal Points System

VWRS recognizes five competition levels. The maximum points awarded to the Champion at each level are:

Competition level	Champion points
World	5,000
Continental	4,000
National	3,000
State	2,000
District	1,000

6.1 Universal Application

The same finishing-position points table shall apply to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned VILLOWO® championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitive events at the relevant level. The applicable points table is determined by the official geographical classification and sanctioning level of the competition.

Accordingly, a District-level league or tournament follows the district points table; a State-level league or tournament follows the State points table; and the same principle applies at National, Continental and World levels.

6.2 Top 32 Finishing Positions

Only the Top 32 finishing players in an eligible sanctioned competition shall receive VWRS ranking points. The points are assigned to the finishing positions shown in the applicable table. Players finishing outside the Top 32 shall not receive ranking points for that competition.

6.3 Common Finishing-Position Bands

Finishing position	Meaning for points allocation
Champion	1st place
Runner-up	2nd place
Semi-finalists	The two players finishing at the semi-final stage

Quarter-finalists	The four players finishing at the quarter-final stage
Round of 16	The eight players finishing at the Round of 16 stage
Round of 32	The sixteen players finishing at the Round of 32 stage

Where a competition format does not produce the standard finishing stages, the organizer must submit the official draw and final classification to VILLOWO International for validation and allocation under the applicable VWRS regulations.

7. World Championship Points and Qualification

The World points table applies to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned world championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognised competitions.

Finishing position	VWRS ranking points
World Champion	5,000
Runner-up	3,750
Semi-finalists	2,500
Quarter-finalists	1,500
Round of 16 finishers	750
Round of 32 finishers	250

Participation requirement

Players representing at least three (3) different continents must participate.

Annual Championship participation limit

A player may participate in a maximum of ten (10) World VILLOWO Championships in a single English calendar year.

The participation requirement above is a condition for the competition to be recognized at this level for VWRS ranking purposes. VILLOWO International shall verify the participating players and their geographical representation from the official entry and result records.

8. Continental Championship Points and Qualification

The Continental points table applies to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned continental championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitions.

Finishing position	VWRS ranking points
Continental Champion	4,000
Runner-up	3,000
Semi-finalists	2,000
Quarter-finalists	1,200
Round of 16 finishers	600
Round of 32 finishers	200

Participation requirement

Players representing at least three (3) different countries from the respective continent must participate.

Annual Championship participation limit

A player may participate in a maximum of eight (8) Continental VILLOWO Championships in a single English calendar year.

The participation requirement above is a condition for the competition to be recognized at this level for VWRS ranking purposes. VILLOWO International shall verify the participating players and their geographical representation from the official entry and result records.

9. National Championship Points and Qualification

The National points table applies to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned national championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitions.

Finishing position	VWRS ranking points
National Champion	3,000
Runner-up	2,250
Semi-finalists	1,500
Quarter-finalists	900
Round of 16 finishers	450
Round of 32 finishers	150

Participation requirement

Players representing at least three (3) different States within the respective country must participate.

Annual Championship participation limit

A player may participate in a maximum of six (6) National VILLOWO Championships in a single English calendar year.

The participation requirement above is a condition for the competition to be recognized at this level for VWRS ranking purposes. VILLOWO International shall verify the participating players and their geographical representation from the official entry and result records.

10. State Championship Points and Qualification

The State points table applies to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned state championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitions.

Finishing position	VWRS ranking points
State Champion	2,000
Runner-up	1,500
Semi-finalists	1,000
Quarter-finalists	600
Round of 16 finishers	300
Round of 32 finishers	100

Participation requirement

Players representing at least three (3) different Districts within the respective State must participate.

Annual Championship participation limit

A player may participate in a maximum of four (4) State VILLOWO Championships in a single English calendar year. The participation requirement above is a condition for the competition to be recognized at this level for VWRS ranking purposes. VILLOWO International shall verify the participating players and their geographical representation from the official entry and result records.

11. District Championship Points and Qualification

The district points table applies to all VILLOWO International-sanctioned district championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitions.

Finishing position	VWRS ranking points
District Champion	1,000
Runner-up	750
Semi-finalists	500
Quarter-finalists	300
Round of 16 finishers	150
Round of 32 finishers	50

Participation requirement

Players representing at least three (3) different Clubs within the respective District must participate.

Annual Championship participation limit

A player may participate in a maximum of two (2) District VILLOWO Championships in a single English calendar year.

The participation requirement above is a condition for the competition to be recognized at this level for VWRS ranking purposes. VILLOWO International shall verify the participating players and their geographical representation from the official entry and result records.

12. Application to Tournaments, Leagues and Other Competitions

The VWRS points structure is not limited to events bearing the title 'Championship'. It applies equally to officially sanctioned VILLOWO® tournaments, leagues and other recognised competitive events.

The competition's official level District, State, National, Continental or World determines which points table applies. Within that level, the same finishing-position points shall be used regardless of whether the event is described as a championship, tournament or league.

All such competitions must be sanctioned by VILLOWO International and must satisfy the applicable participation and geographical representation requirements for the level at which they are recognized.

12.1 Sanctioning is Mandatory

A competition does not qualify for VWRS points merely because it is organized as a VILLOWO® event. It must be officially sanctioned or approved by VILLOWO International. The sanctioning decision shall identify the competition's recognized level.

12.2 Official Results

The organizer must provide VILLOWO International with the official entry list, player VI Numbers, geographical representation details where relevant, draw or competition format, final results and finishing positions. Ranking points are credited only after the competition and results have been verified.

13. Men's and Women's World Rankings

VWRS shall maintain separate official Men's World Rankings and Women's World Rankings.

Each ranking shall recognize the performance and ranking points earned by eligible players through participation in sanctioned District, State, National, Continental and World-level championships, tournaments, leagues and other recognized competitions.

The player's VI Number shall be used to identify and maintain the player's official ranking record. Players shall be listed in the applicable ranking category based on the competition category in which the results were achieved.

Additional competition categories or ranking lists may be introduced by VILLOWO International through a separate regulation or official circular.

14. Verification and Crediting of Ranking Points

Ranking points must be supported by verified results from an officially sanctioned competition.

1. The competition must have been sanctioned by VILLOWO International at the relevant level.
2. The player must have held a valid VI Number and been eligible to participate.
3. The applicable geographical participation requirement must have been met.
4. The organizer must submit complete and accurate final results and finishing positions.
5. VILLOWO International must verify and approve the competition result before points are credited.

VILLOWO International may withhold, correct or remove points where results are incomplete, inaccurate, duplicated, improperly attributed or obtained in breach of applicable regulations. Any such action should be recorded and communicated through the appropriate administrative process.

15. Quarterly Ranking Publication

VILLOWO International shall publish the official VWRS rankings at the end of each calendar quarter according to the following schedule:

Ranking period	Publication date
Quarter 1 (Q1)	31 March
Quarter 2 (Q2)	30 June
Quarter 3 (Q3)	30 September
Quarter 4 (Q4)	31 December

The published ranking shall reflect eligible and verified ranking points recorded for each player by the relevant quarterly cut-off. VILLOWO International shall determine the publication format and may publish the rankings through its official website and other official communication channels.

Where a result is received after a quarterly cut-off or requires further verification, it may be reflected in a subsequent ranking publication after approval.

16. Governance, Compliance and Interpretation

16.1 Compliance

Players, organizers, clubs and other participating entities must comply with the VILLOWO® Book of Rules, the applicable competition regulations, the VWRS provisions and the directions issued by VILLOWO International.

16.2 Ranking Corrections

A request to correct a player's identity, result or ranking record must be supported by relevant official documentation and submitted to VILLOWO International. VILLOWO International shall review the information and determine whether a correction is justified.

16.3 Interpretation and Amendments

VILLOWO International is responsible for interpreting these regulations and issuing clarifications, amendments or supplementary regulations. Any amendment shall be communicated through an official VILLOWO International notice or updated edition of the VWRS booklet.

16.4 Matters Not Expressly Covered

Where a matter is not expressly covered in this booklet, VILLOWO International shall determine the applicable procedure and may issue a specific regulation or circular. Such directions shall be consistent with the objectives and principles of VWRS.

17. Official Policy Summary

ONE GLOBAL RANKING FRAMEWORK

All officially sanctioned District, State, National, Continental and World VILLOWO® championships, tournaments and leagues use the same finishing-position points structure applicable to their recognized competition level.

- VILLOWO International is the Governing Authority for VWRS.
- Raghu Kumar Raghavelu is the creator of VWRS.
- A valid VILLOWO International Players License and VI Number are mandatory.
- The VI Number serves as both the Players License and VWRS registration identification.
- Only the Top 32 finishing players receive points.
- The five competition levels use the points tables set out in this booklet.
- All eligible competitions must be sanctioned by VILLOWO International.
- Separate Men's and Women's World Rankings are maintained.
- Official rankings are published quarterly on 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December.

Points at a Glance

Finishing position	World	Continental	National	State	District
Champion	5,000	4,000	3,000	2,000	1,000
Runner-up	3,750	3,000	2,250	1,500	750
Semi-finalists	2,500	2,000	1,500	1,000	500
Quarter-finalists	1,500	1,200	900	600	300
Round of 16	750	600	450	300	150
Round of 32	250	200	150	100	50

Exclusive Application of VWRS

VILLOWO International shall be the sole authority responsible for establishing, administering and regulating the official VILLOWO® ranking system at all levels.

No Club, District Association, State Affiliate, National Affiliate, Regional Body or any other affiliated organisation shall establish, operate, publish or implement a separate or independent ranking system for VILLOWO® players at District, State, National, Continental or World level.

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