

BULLETIN #10

GUIDELINES FOR UMPIRE RANKING

The WBSC is introducing a Ranking System to assist Umpires and Federations to better understand where the WBSC has determined their current skill sets best fit in terms of which World Cups they should be officiating,

Guiding Principles:

The competition used at a WBSC Umpire Certification Seminar for the purpose of on-field evaluations shall be categorized as a Level 1 or Level 2 Competition by the Director of Umpires in consultation with the appropriate Regional Umpire Coordinator (RUC) and Host National Umpire-in- Chief.

Initial rankings are based on an individual's performance at a seminar using Level 1 or Level 2 competition as determined by the seminar leaders.

Rankings from a seminar using a Level 1 competition should not exceed 1

Rankings from a seminar using a Level 2 competition should not exceed 2

Advancement in ranking shall be determined by a Cup Umpire Director and Assistant Umpire Director.

Umpire Ranking can be varied by the Director of Umpires in consultation with the Regional Umpire Coordinator and National Federation UIC

Rankings of 4 should be based on an individual's strong performance at an U18 Men's or a U23 Men's

Rankings of 3A should be based on an individual's strong performance at a U18 Men's or U23 Men's.

Rankings of 3B should be based on an individual's strong performance at a U18 Women's

To be considered a strong performance, an umpire must receive an evaluation score of 95%.

WBSC Softball Umpire Rankings are:

Rated for U12 Mixed and U15 Women's – Rank 1

Rated for U18 Men's and U18 Women's, U15 Women's and U12 Mixed - Rank 2

Rated for Open Women's, U23 Men's, U18 Men's, U18 Women's, U15 Women's and U12 Mixed – Rank 3A

Rated for Open Women's, U18 Men's, U18 Women's, U15 Men's and U12 Mixed – Rank 3B

Rated for Open Men's, Open Women's, U23 Men's, U18 Men's, U18 Women's, U15 Women's and U12 Mixed. – Rank 4

EXAMPLE #1

An umpire attends a seminar that uses a Level 1 competition for the game evaluations, then Rank 1 would be the highest ranking that the umpire could receive. If the umpire attended a U12 Cup or U15 Cup or a Regional Qualifier, the umpire's ranking could change to 2 with a strong performance.

Example #2

An umpire attends a seminar that uses a Level 2 competition for the game evaluations, then 2 would be the highest ranking that the umpire could receive. If the umpire then attends a U18 Men's Cup, the umpire's ranking could be 3A or 4 depending on the umpire's performance. If the umpire attends a U18 Women's Cup, the umpire ranking could be 3B depending on the umpire's performance.