



2024 Cadet Identification Ranking list

Following feedback from coaches regarding flaws in the Ippon League list the Home Nations have agreed to move to a more standardised and objective ranking list which recognises performances and international wins as follows:

1. Ages

Fighters appearing on the list must be born between 2007 (maximum of 17 years old) and 2009 (minimum of 15 years old) during the 2024 calendar year.

2. 2024 Identification Competitions

Positional results and the number of contests had by fighters will be logged from the following domestic competitions and displayed in the GB Cadet Identification ranking:

Domestic Competitions:

1	Welsh Open (Cadet)	28 th 29 th October 2023
2	British Cadet Championships	2 nd 3 rd December 2023
3	Scottish Open (Cadet)	20 th 21 st January 2024
4	English Open (Cadet)	24 th 25 th February 2024
5	Northern Ireland Open (Cadet)	20 th 21 st April 2024

International Competitions:

Positional results and the number of wins at the identified international competitions below will be logged and lists in the GB Cadet Identification ranking:

1	Cadet European Cup Italy	10 th 11 th February 2024
2	Cadet European Cup Spain	17 th 18 th February 2024
3	Cadet European Cup Croatia	16 th 17 th March 2024
4	Bremen (Male) /Thuringia (Female) Internationals	23 rd 24 th March 2024
5	Cadet European Cup Czech Republic	6 th 7 th April 2024
6	Cadet European Cup Germany	13 th 14 th April 2024

Please note: International event support will depend on which Home Nation fighters compete for. Fighters are required to gain identification to international events through their respective Home Nation Programme and should seek to discuss any identification with Home Nation Lead Cadet Coaches.

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- A fighter’s best **3** domestic Competition Performances and best **3** international Competition Performances from the above lists will be considered within the Cadet Identification Ranking.
- If a fighter moves up a weight category during the identification period, they will transfer half the points earned at the identification competitions stated.
- Fighters who move down a weight category during the identification period **will not** transfer any the technical and result points earned at the identification competitions.

Should any competition be cancelled or postponed, they may be removed from the criteria/league. In these circumstances a replacement competition may be identified or not.

Result ranking points:

Placing	Points (Domestic) Home Nation Opens	Points (Domestic) British Champs	Points (International)	Wins at the 2024 identified international events
1 st	25	30	35	5 additional points per international win
2 nd	20	25	30	
3 rd	15	20	25	
5 th	10	15	20	

Please note:

- **No points** will be awarded should a fighter place, but not win a contest.
- If a fighter (who has competed in their own weight category) also competes in a heavier category to enable fighters to have more contests (due to lack of entries for example), they **will not receive ranking points in the heavier category.** Whether they receive a medal will be at the tournament organisers discretion.
- Any fighter who has contests because of other fighters moving up a weight to provide them opportunity to fight (due to poor entry in their category for example), **must win at least one contest to receive ranking points**, which will be decided by their finishing position in the whole group.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

When does the GB Cadet Identification run from?

The 2024 GB Cadet Identification ranking starts from the Welsh Cadet Open held on the weekend of 28-29 October 2023 and runs to the Northern Ireland Open on the weekend of 20-21 April 2024.

Because the previously used Ippon League has stopped, does that mean that winning by Ippon is no longer viewed as important?

Absolutely not. All Home Nation programmes still wish to emphasise the importance of striving to win by ippon either in tachiwaza and newaza in competition - it should remain the ultimate aim for coaches and fighters. All Home Nation programme coaches agree that a strong technical foundation is key to a fighter's ability to progress to future senior international success at World and Olympic level.

With changes to contest rules and scoring, it is collectively felt a simplified ranking system is more appropriate and less liable to ambiguity.

Do wins by hansoku-make count?

Wins by Hansoku-make received in the case of accumulation of 3 shidos will be included. A win by direct hansoku-make will not be counted.

As mentioned previously, striving to win through scoring (by ippon) should be the core aim. Collectively Home Nation Programme coaches believe that any fighter focused on only winning by penalties will be unlikely to progress to the highest levels internationally, although acknowledge contest management is a key trademark of top international judoka.

Does a bye count as a win and carry points for the GB Cadet Identification ranking?

No; however it is acknowledged that fighters that may receive a bye in the main or repechage draws may have fewer contests for a variety of reasons (seeding, numbers in category, fighter withdrawal, etc).

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