



## 1. Notional ranking for seeding and M&Q

### 1.1. Explanation:

- 1.1.1. When a pair is newly-formed (e.g. because of injury or a change in partnership), the new pair may be composed of two strong Players who would in all likelihood achieve a high World Ranking once they have played together for some time.
- 1.1.2. The notional ranking is a method to estimate the strength of this pair which is used to determine order for the main and qualifying lists, and to seed them when appropriate.
- 1.1.3. The pre-requisite for having notional ranking is that at least one Player in the pair must have played with different partners during the 52 weeks period prior to the seeding date.
- 1.1.4. Where two Players are paired together in a BWF sanctioned team Tournament, and play at least one match, that pair would be eligible for a notional ranking after three months, as per the normal regulations for a notional ranking.

- 1.2. The process of computation of Notional Ranking points as stated in GCR Regulation 11.6.1 is illustrated as below.

A and X never played before:

- A's highest ranking is with B = 400 points in 4 Tournaments  
= 100 points/Tournament
- X's highest ranking is with Y = 300 points in 6 Tournaments  
= 50 points/Tournament

$$\frac{\frac{400}{4} + \frac{300}{6}}{2} = \frac{100 + 50}{2} = 75$$

75 (points, as above) x 10 (Tournaments) = 750

750 x 80% = 600

## 2. Adjusted ranking for seeding and M&Q

### 2.1. Explanation

- 2.1.1. A pair composed of two strong players who have played together in less than eight tournaments that count for World Ranking points, and who would in all likelihood achieve a higher World Ranking once they have played together in more tournaments.
- 2.1.2. The adjusted ranking is a method to estimate the strength of this pair which is used to determine order for the main and qualifying lists, and to seed them when appropriate.

- 2.2. The process of computation of Adjusted Ranking points as stated in Regulation 12.5.2 is illustrated in the flow chart below.

The flow chart explains the process used to calculate the ranking to be used to seed Players

