Various Event Guidelines

Winners of Round Robins

- Winners of round robin events with four or more players must “move up” one skill level for at least 13 months.

Winners Returning to the Same Division

- A player who wins a skill division, must “move up” at least one skill level for at least 13 months.

- After 13 months have passed, if a player wants to return to play in a division they won previously, they must obtain approval from the Ranking Committee, by applying in writing, provided supporting data to evaluate, and falling within the appropriate skill range for the division.

Injured players

- Injured players may NOT automatically “drop down” a skill level. They may, however, appeal to the Ranking Committee for permission to do so.

- Players who play with their “off” hand may drop down one skill level division. However, they must establish a different R2Sports identity for playing with their “off” hand and play with that same hand throughout their matches.

Number of Players to be Seeded per Division

- After assigning appropriate temporary rankings to those who may be unranked, tournament directors that use R2Sports should then use the “Pre-Seed” feature to set a “base” seeding based on National Rankings before re-seeding any of them based on other factors.

- Tournament directors should seed at least one player for every four players entered in the division.

Appeals of Seeding

- Any appeals of seeding position must be made before the first match in the division is due to be played. The tournament director must
post the draws on-line at least 12 hours before the first match of the tournament.

- Appeals of seeding positions must be made in writing to the event director. An appeal committee will meet and their decision will be final.

**Players from the same foreign country, state, club, school etc.**

- Effort should be made to separate players from the same foreign country, club, state, school etc. in at least the first round.

- For events that use the Olympic format also try to separate schools as much as possible so they also don’t meet in the first rounds of the blue, white and red brackets.

**Moving players**

- Players may be moved to eliminate first round conflicts according to the following guidelines:

  Seeds 1 thru 8 -- May be moved no more than 2 seed positions
  Seeds 9 thru 16 -- May move no more than 4 seed positions
  Seeds 17 thru 32 -- May be moved no more than 8 seed positions

**Forfeits**

- If the first scheduled match between two players/teams, is not started, the results will NOT be recorded in the ranking system as a “win/loss”. This also applies to consolation and Olympic format divisions.

- For divisions, other than round robins and pool plays during the group play, every match beyond the first round that is forfeited will be recorded in the ranking system -- including third place matches (if they are scheduled).

- For round robin divisions and pool play groups, any match forfeited (other than those that are started and result in injury) will not be recorded in the ranking system.