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World Netball Updates WN World Rankings

World Netball (WN) has today published the WN World Rankings to include the results from the Central America and Caribbean (CAC) Games and the Netball World Cup 2023 (NWC2023), the two international events to take place since the last update on 30th June 2023.

These significant events saw 18 international teams from WN Member countries take part in a total of 70 matches.

During the NWC2023, 13 out of 60 matches were won by the lower ranked team, and there was one draw, making the gap tighter, in terms of rating, between many teams in the table. For example, the difference in rating between New Zealand in 2nd and Jamaica in 4th position has reduced from 20 to 7.

The latest update sees no change to the positions of the top six teams, with Australia remaining 1st, New Zealand 2nd, England 3rd, Jamaica 4th, South Africa 5th and Malawi in 6th.

The first positional change to the table can be seen in 7th with Uganda claiming this spot after an impressive NWC2023 campaign where they finished in 5th. Tonga move down one place to take 8th position.

Positions 9 – 14 stay the same with Sri Lanka who were previously ranked 15th dropping five places to 20th due to failing to win a match during the NWC2023. Zambia

climb one place to take 15th position, with nine teams (Samoa, St Vincent & Grenadines, Fiji, Cook Islands, Namibia, Botswana, UAE and Ireland) all also rising by one place.

Singapore move up two places to 26th as a result of two wins during the NWC2023, and behind them Malaysia, St Lucia, USA, Gibraltar and Cayman Islands also move up two places.

The biggest change in the table can be seen at 33rd with Antigua & Barbuda rising four places to claim this position. Elsewhere, St Kitts & Nevis and St Maarten also move up four places to 39th and 40th respectively.

From 1st September 2023 teams must have played at least 8 ranking matches in the current rating period ([from July 2019](#)) to retain a World Ranking. Five teams (Brunei, Eswatini, Hong Kong, Lesotho and Philippines) have not reached the minimum number of ranking matches required so lose their ranking. The number of WN World Ranked countries is now at 41.

Next up in the events calendar will see New Zealand host England for the Taini Jamison Trophy from the 24th – 30th September, with the ECCB International Series in Antigua & Barbuda taking place immediately after this. This is followed by the Constellation Cup between Australia and New Zealand and the MIRXES Nations Cup taking place in Singapore.

To view the updated WN World Rankings, visit our website [here](#).

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