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World Netball World Rankings Year End Position 2022

World Netball has today updated the World Netball (WN) World Rankings to include results from the SPAR Diamond Challenge and Nations Cup Singapore, the last two fixtures in the international netball calendar for 2022.

The two events have taken the total matches played in this ranking year since the annual update on the 1st March up to 233, a record for World Netball.

The latest update sees no change to the positions of the top five teams in the WN World Rankings, with Australia remaining 1st, New Zealand 2nd, England 3rd, Jamaica 4th and South Africa 5th after the Proteas finished unbeaten in the SPAR Diamond Challenge in November.

Scotland and Zimbabwe also retained their respective 10^{th} and 13^{th} positions following their 41 - 41 draw at the Challenge, despite both losing to South Africa.

Other teams that added more matches to their tallies included Botswana, Fiji, Ireland, Malaysia and Singapore who all played in the Asia Nations Cup from the 4th to the 10th December at the OCBC Arena in Singapore.

Botswana, who had the lowest ranking going into the event at 31st, confidently overcame Fiji in the Final to be crowned 2022 champions, which resulted in them climbing seven places in the rankings to 24th position. Fiji, suffering two defeats to Botswana, drop from 15th to 17th position.

Elsewhere, Singapore rise from 30th to 27th after claiming third place at the Singapore Nations Cup, whilst Ireland, who finished fourth, and Malaysia, who finished fifth, both drop places to 31st and 30th position respectively.

To view the full WN World Rankings table, click here.

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