

LATEST INF WORLD RANKINGS UP TO JULY 11,

The INF has updated its rankings to reflect matches played during Netball Europe in May and Wales v South Africa in June. It also reflects an annual update, with matches from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 excluded, and data from July 1 to present now included.

Following this activity, there is no change to the ranking for the top ten teams. However Australia now stretch their lead at the top of the rankings to 20 points.

Further down the rankings, Uganda swaps places with Barbados, going to 11 from 13. This is a significant move, as the qualification for Commonwealth Games Gold Coast 2018 will be decided next year, with only the top 12 ranked teams qualifying for entry.

Also swapping places are Zambia (now 16) and Singapore (17). However the biggest movement in the rankings is St Lucia, moving down six places from 18 to 24. St Lucia played in the Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2014 but their ranking has continued to decline since their qualification in 2013.

Three countries – Bermuda, Namibia and Thailand – have lost their ranking, having not played eight matches in the past three years. A further three – Maldives, Pakistan and Tanzania – have lost their rating through not having played any matches at all during the past three years.