



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD TOKYO 2020

INTERNATIONAL WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION (IWF)

Weightlifting

A. EVENTS

Men's Events (7)	Women's Events (7)
61kg	49kg
67kg	55kg
73kg	59kg
81kg	64kg
96kg	76kg
109kg	87kg
+109kg	+87kg

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Weightlifting:

Men	Women
98	98

2. Maximum Athletes by Bodyweight Category

The maximum number of athletes per weight category is 14 athletes.

3. Maximum Number of Athletes by National Olympic Committee (NOC)

- IWF Absolute Ranking; World Points ([here](#))

Gender	Max. by NOC	Event Specific
Men	4*	1 per event
Women	4*	1 per event

- IWF Absolute Ranking; Continental Points ([here](#))

Gender	Max. by NOC	Event Specific
Men	3*	1 per event
Women	3*	1 per event



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4. Host Country places

Gender	Host Country	Event Specific
Men	3*	1 per event
Women	3*	1 per event

*subject to specific Anti-Doping Rules and Regulations as described in section C.3 Number of participants per country

5. Type of Allocation of Quota Places

- Quota places earned via the IWF Absolute Ranking (World and/or Continental Points) are allocated to the Athlete by Name (Individual Qualification).
- Quota places issued through the Host Country method are allocated to the NOC for eligible athletes.
- Quota places earned via the Tripartite Commission (Universality) are allocated to the Athlete by Name (Individual).

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions). Only those athletes who comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 (the "Olympic Games").

1. Age Requirements

All athletes participating in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 must be born on/or before 31 December 2005.

2. Additional IF Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for endorsement by an NOC, an athlete shall

- Not be subject to a period of ineligibility (including provisional suspension) imposed by IWF or the athlete's National Anti-Doping Organisation/Member Federation;
- Comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the IOC and IWF to ensure that the overriding principles of the Olympic Games are observed;
- For quota places attained via the IWF Absolute Ranking participation at Eligible Events during the Qualification period is required as follows:
 - Participation at a minimum of six (6) Eligible Events,
 - Participation at a minimum of one (1) Eligible Event at each of the three following (3) periods:
 - Period 1: 01 November 2018 – 30 April 2019
 - Period 2: 01 May 2019 – 31 October 2019
 - Period 3: 01 November 2019 – 30 April 2020 and
 - Participation at a minimum of one (1) Gold Level plus either one (1) Gold Level or one (1) Silver Level events.
- For Host Country place, athletes must have participated at a minimum of one Eligible Event in each period (3 in total) during the Qualification period; including at least one (1) Silver Level;
- For Tripartite Commission Invitation, athletes must have participated at a minimum of two (2) Eligible Events during the Qualification period including at least one (1) Silver Level.
- For reallocation, meet the minimum participation requirement in the method from where the reallocated quota comes from.



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3. Number of participants per country

Subject to the specific Anti-Doping Rules and Regulations, all NOCs/MFs shall be eligible to qualify a minimum of one (1) male and one (1) female athlete for the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

- a) Member Federations which have recorded ten (10) or more but less than twenty (20) violations of the IWF Anti-Doping Policy (IWF ADP) between the start date of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games period and the end of the Tokyo 2020 qualification period sanctioned by IWF or Anti-Doping Organisations other than Member Federations, National Olympic Committees or National Anti-Doping Organisations shall be eligible to qualify one (1) additional male and one (1) additional female athlete, altogether a maximum of two (2) male and two (2) female athletes;
- b) Member Federations which have recorded less than ten (10) violations of the IWF ADP between the start date of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games period and the end of the Tokyo 2020 qualification period sanctioned by IWF or Anti-Doping Organisations other than Member Federations, National Olympic Committees or National Anti-Doping Organisations shall be eligible to qualify three (3) additional male and three (3) additional female athletes, altogether a maximum of four (4) male and four (4) female athletes.

4. Anti-Doping Rules and Regulations

- a) Should three (3) or more Anti-Doping Rule Violations sanctioned by IWF or Anti-Doping Organisations other than a Member Federation or its National Anti-Doping Organisation be committed by Athletes or other Persons affiliated to such Member Federation (MF)/NOC during the qualification period of the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, the Independent Panel appointed by IWF as per the IWF ADP (the Independent Panel) may
 - i. withdraw the quota place(s) from that MF/NOC with regard to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 and/or
 - ii. suspend that MF/NOC from participation in the ensuing Olympic Games. If such Member Federation is permitted to participate with Athletes in eligible events during the qualification period to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, its Athletes shall not be permitted to secure any IWF Absolute Ranking Points (World and/or Continental) at such event and their participation shall not affect the Member Federation's exclusion from the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.
- b) Any quota places withdrawn pursuant to point a) above shall be reallocated in accordance with the reallocation process as detailed in section **I. Reallocation of Unused Places**.
- c) With reference to Article 12.5.2 IWF ADP, where there is a violation of Article 12.5 IWF ADP and any of the relevant underlying Anti-Doping Rule Violations occurs on the occasion of, or in connection with, the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, the Independent Panel may take any (further) measures it deems appropriate.
- d) With reference to Article 12.6 IWF ADP, should two or more Athletes or other Persons affiliated to an IWF MF/NOC be found to have committed a violation of the IWF ADP giving rise to a period of ineligibility of four years or more on the occasion and during the In-Competition period of the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 (including following further analyses of samples), the concerned MF/NOC shall be automatically prevented from recommending, entering and/or proposing affiliated Athletes or other Persons for participation in the next ensuing Olympic Games following the final decision imposing the (first two) relevant sanctions (and shall take all necessary measures to prevent such participation), without prejudice to any other sanction that may be imposed in accordance with the IWF ADP.



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- e) This Olympic Qualification System shall not limit the Independent Panel's power to impose any other consequence(s) it deems appropriate under Article 12 IWF ADP.

5. Eligible Events

- a) Gold Level: IWF World Championships, IWF Junior World Championships, Continental Championships, Junior Continental Championships
- b) Silver Level: Existing¹ IWF Events: Multi-Sport Games, Championships
- c) Bronze Level: other International competitions, Championships, Cups, etc.

Solely the events organised, recognised and/or designated by IWF for either the Junior or the Senior age group² shall be considered as eligible events.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

1. Men / Women

Total Quota Places	Method of Qualification		Quota Place Allocation
56 + 56 = 112	IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points)	World Points from the IWF Absolute Ranking will be used to identify athletes for individual qualification	Athlete
35 + 35 = 70	IWF Absolute Ranking (Continental Points)	The highest-ranked athlete from the IWF Absolute Ranking from an NOC (one per continent) not otherwise represented shall earn an individual quota place	Athlete
3 + 3 = 6	Host Country	The Host Country is guaranteed three (3) slots per gender	NOC
4 + 4 = 8	Tripartite Invitation	A maximum of one (1) invitation slot by medal event may be issued based on the principles of universality	Athlete

2. Per Medal Event

Quota Places per Medal Event	Method of Qualification		Quota Place Allocation
8	IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points)	The eight (8) highest-ranked athletes from the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points) are qualified	Athlete
5	IWF Absolute Ranking (Continental Points)	The highest-ranked athlete from the IWF Absolute Ranking from an NOC (one per continent = 5) not otherwise represented in the bodyweight	Athlete

¹ IWF Events approved by IWF as such in compliance with the IWF Calendar Policy

² As defined in the IWF Technical and Competition Rules & Regulations (<http://www.iwf.net/downloads/?category=23>)



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		category shall earn an individual quota place	
1	Host Country	Maximum of one (1) athlete per event	NOC
	Tripartite Invitation	Maximum of one (1) athlete per event	Athlete

E. QUALIFICATION REGULATIONS

1. The IWF Absolute Ranking will comprise of athlete results (represented by ROBI Points) drawn from the ten (10) IWF bodyweight categories in each Gender;
2. Athlete results (represented by ROBI points) attained at Gold, Silver and Bronze level events will enable athletes to accrue Absolute Ranking Points according to a multiplying factor (Gold: x 1.10, Silver: x 1.05, Bronze: x 1.00)
3. At the end of the qualification period; an athlete's final Absolute Ranking Points; subject to participation in two (2) events in the same Olympic category will be drawn from four (4) results (Total only):
 - a. three (3) results, best one (1) from each period as per Paragraph C. 2. C. ii) and;
 - b. one (1) next best result.
4. In the case an NOC has qualified more eligible athletes than the maximum number as per this Qualification System, or quota was withdrawn from the Member Federation/NOC, the NOC shall select the eligible athletes for medal events. The quota slots are non-transferable.
5. In case an athlete becomes ineligible or his/her quota is not endorsed by his/her NOC after he/she earns an individual quota place, such quota place shall be reallocated in accordance with the reallocation process detailed in section I. **Reallocation of Unused Places.**
6. In the event where a MF/NOC is suspended from participating in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, its affiliated athlete(s) shall not be permitted to compete. Any quota place(s) obtained by the Member Federation/NOC and/or its affiliated athlete(s) shall be reallocated in accordance with the reallocation process detailed in section I. **Reallocation of Unused Places.**
7. In the case an athlete has participated in more than one Olympic bodyweight category or a combination of both Olympic and non-Olympic categories during the qualification period, the same formula shall be applied in determining the athlete's Absolute Ranking Points as detailed in paragraph E.2 and E. 3
 - (a) In the case of more than one Olympic bodyweight category, the quota place shall be allocated to the category from which the athlete has attained the highest ranking; subject to the minimum participation of two (2) events in the same Olympic category during the qualification period'
 - (b) In the case of a combination of both Olympic and non-Olympic categories, the quota place shall be allocated to the Olympic bodyweight category from which the athlete has attained the highest ranking; subject to the minimum participation of two (2) events in the same Olympic category during the qualification period.



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F. HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country can qualify places through the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points only).

If the Host Country does not qualify the maximum quota through the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points) the Host Country is guaranteed six (6) quota places in total (three (3) for men and three (3) for women).

If the Host Country qualifies quota places through the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points), the unused Host Country places will be reallocated as per the process described below in the section **I. Reallocation of Unused Places**.

G. TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

Eight (8) Tripartite Commission Invitation Places are made available to eligible NOCs at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020; four (4) for men and four (4) for women.

On date 14 October 2019, the International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places. The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests is date January 2020. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs after the end of the qualification period for the concerned sport.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in *the 'Games of the XXXI Olympiad, Tokyo 2020 – Olympic Games Tripartite Commission Invitation Places – Allocation Procedure and Regulations'*

H. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each Eligible Event, IWF will publish the results / Absolute Ranking Points on its website ([here](#)). IWF will inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places at the end of the Qualification period (subject to Anti-Doping Results Management). The NOCs will then have 15 days to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph **J. Qualification Timeline**.

In case the Host Country does not qualify the maximum quota through the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points), the guaranteed quota places issued to the Host Country must be confirmed (including medal events) prior to the allocation of quota places via the Tripartite Commission Invitation.



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I. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

1. IWF Absolute Ranking; World Points

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the deadline of confirmation of quota place, is declined by the NOC, is withdrawn or Member Federation/NOC is suspended from participation, the quota place will be reallocated to the highest ranked athlete according to the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points) and eligible according to this Qualification System, whose NOC is not yet qualified in the medal event; subject to the maximum quota per NOC.

2. IWF Absolute Ranking; Continental Points

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the deadline of confirmation of quota place, is declined by the NOC, is withdrawn or Member Federation/NOC is suspended from participation, the quota place will be reallocated to the highest ranked athlete from the same Continent according to the IWF Absolute Ranking (Continental Points) and eligible according to this Qualification System, whose NOC is not yet qualified in the medal event; subject to the maximum quota per NOC.

3. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Should the Host Country qualify quota places through the IWF Absolute Ranking (World Points) or decline any Host Country place(s), or quota place(s) is (are) withdrawn or Host Country is suspended from participation, unused Host Country place(s) will be reallocated by the IWF, priority given to next highest ranked NOCs according to the IWF Absolute Ranking not represented yet.

4. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

In case of unused Tripartite Commission Invitation Places, reallocation will be considered by the IWF based on universality, priority given to next highest ranked NOC according to the IWF Absolute Ranking not represented yet.



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J. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
01 November 2018 – 30 April 2020	Qualification Period – all events that count towards the IWF Ranking can be found here
1 May 2020	IWF to publish IWF Absolute Ranking and inform NOCs of allocated quota places
14 October 2019	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitations
15 May 2020	Subject to final qualification status; Host Country to confirm the use of Host Country quota places, including events
TBD*	The Tripartite Commission to confirm in writing the allocation of Individual places to NOCs, including events
15 May 2020	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to IWF and select athletes if qualified more eligible athletes than prescribed as per the qualification system quotas
As of 15 May 2020	IWF to reallocate all unused quota places
6 July 2020	Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries deadline
24 July - 09 August 2020	Olympic Games, Tokyo 2020

*To Be Determined