



February 27, 2019

**The Hon. President / General Secretary
Africa National Weightlifting Federations/Associations**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Zone One Senior, Junior and Youth African Olympic Weightlifting Qualification Championships / 20 to 24 March, 2019 - Tripoli, Libya.

Libyan Weightlifting Federation is very much pleased to invite your National weightlifting team to participate in Zone one senior men and women silver Olympic weightlifting qualification event for Tokyo 2020 Olympics and 2nd Zone one weightlifting championships for men and women Junior and Youth from March 20, through 24 March, 2019 at Tripoli, Libya.

Competition Date and Venue:

The Championships will be held at 17 February Sports Hall located in Tripoli Sports City from March 22 to March 23, 2019.

Competition Rules and Regulation:

The competition will be held and organized in accordance to the IWF Technical and Competition rules & regulations, 2018 IWF Calendar Policy and IWF Anti-Doping Policy.

Only the Senior competition will be qualification event for 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

The WFA will appoint the technical officials (ITOs) whom will be nominated by their national Federations/Associations to officiate for the championships.

Eligibility:

According to the IWF Technical and Competition rules & regulations, the athletes have the eligibility to participate as follows:

- a) **Senior age group:** +15 years of age (from 2004 or earlier)
- b) **Junior age group:** 15 – 20 years of age (from 2004 to 1999)
- c) **Youth age group:** 13 – 17 years of age (from 2006 to 2002)

The passport is considered as the sole official document to prove the age and the eligibility of the Athletes.

Zone one countries include; Algeria, Egypt, Gambia, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sudan and Tunisia.

The national weightlifting federations from the other African zones have the eligibility to participate in the zone one Senior competition to give the opportunity to their athletes to compete and collect qualified points for 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

In accordance with Article 5.6.5 of the IWF Anti- Doping Policy an Athlete who is not listed on the IWF's Registered Testing Pool but wishes to participate in an IWF Event shall provide accurate and complete whereabouts information as set out at Annex I of the International Standard for Testing and Investigations **for a period of at least two months** prior to the IWF Event in question. An Athlete who does not comply with this provision is not eligible to compete at the IWF Event.

Only IWF member federations or their competitors that has no arrears towards the IWF & WFA are eligible to participate.

A maximum of ten (10) men and ten (10) women competitors could be registered plus two (2) reserves for each gender and age group may also be entered.

During the verification of final entries each country can only register (10) men and (10) women for each age group as a final entry without any reserves.

It is possible to change the bodyweight categories and the entry total latest on the Verification of Final Entries.

The maximum participating team must be spread amongst the bodyweight categories with a maximum of two (2) athletes per category.

The IWF and WFA will not accept any preliminary or final entries after the stated dates.

COMPETITION EVENTS AND CATEGORIES:

Men Senior and Junior: 55, 61, 67, 73, 81, 89, 96, 102, 109 and +109 Kg

Men Youth: 49, 55, 61, 67, 73, 81, 89, 96, 102 and +102 Kg

Women Senior and Junior: 45, 49, 55, 59, 64, 71, 76, 81, 87 and +87 Kg

Women Youth: 40, 45, 49, 55, 59, 64, 71, 76, 81 and +81 Kg

ENTRY FORMS:

Enclosed are both preliminary and final entry forms for all gender and age groups. Preliminary entry forms to be submitted to both the organizing committee (LBA OC) and WFA respectively no later than **January 31, 2019**.

Final entry forms to be submitted to both the organizing committee (LBA OC) and WFA respectively no later than **February 15, 2019**.

Maximum athletes allowed on preliminary and final entry forms for each age group and gender are 12 competitors.

According to the IWF Technical and Competition rules & regulations, any national federation/association will not send the entries on the stated deadline will not be accepted by the IWF to participate.

EQUIPMENT:

Sport Equipment: IWF approved sport equipment will be provided.

TIS Result System: Approved by IWF.

DOPING CONTROL:

Doping Control will be conducted during the competition in accordance with the IWF Anti-Doping Policy and will be carried out by the IWF selected DCOs.

ACCREDITATION:

The federations/associations must send the colored photos for all the delegates (athletes and officials) with the final entry forms.

Accreditation of the delegations will take place at Bab Albahr Hotel upon arrival.

Please note that the accreditation will be valid only for the days registered on the accreditation card at the accreditation centre and will be issued only after full payment of accommodation, entry and Anti-Doping fees.

ACCOMMODATION:

The accommodation for all delegations will be at Bab Albahr Hotel.

Address: Old City - Tripoli, Libya

Level: 4 star Hotel

Tel: +218 21 335 0676 to +218 21 335 0710

Webpage: www.babalbahr.ly/ar/

The hotel will be provided from 20th March 2019 to the end of the competition with the following normal rates:

- a) USD \$120 full board per person per night for standard single rooms.
- b) USD \$100 full board per person per night for standard twin rooms.
- c) USD \$ 90 full board per person per night for standard triple rooms.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS:

Only affiliated national federations/associations that have paid their IWF and WFA subscription fees have the right to participate in this competition.

- Entry Fee of US \$130 only for the athletes competing in the Senior competition (including US \$30 Anti-Doping Fee) shall be paid to the WFA.
- Other participants including Junior and Youth competitors shall be paid US \$100 per person, except the officials whom will be appointed to officiate during the competition.

All payments must be made in cash to the Organization Committee preferably in US Dollars upon Arrival at the accreditation center located at Bab Albahr Hotel.

The WFA is responsible for providing the Trophies, Medals and Certificates for Senior men and women competitors.

The LBA Weightlifting Federation is responsible for providing the Trophies, Medals and Certificates for Junior & Youth men and women competitors.

According to the IWF TCRR, and as this championship is senior qualification event for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games, therefore the WFA will appoint Cat. (1) ITOs from the nomination list of their national federations to be officiated in the championship and the Organizing Committee will cover the accommodation and board costs for the technical officials who will be appointed to officiate for the competition.

The Organizing Committee will cover the accommodation and board costs for the WFA President and General Secretary or one of WFA delegate, one of IWF delegate, the WFA TIS staff members, one of the WFA secretariat and appointed IWF DCOs.

All teams will be received at Mitiga International Airport upon their arrival and they will be transported by shuttle buses to the Hotel, and return.

Accommodation and Transportation forms (in the Final Entry form) shall state the date and time of arriving and departure, which airline and flight number of each delegate will be arriving on.

COMPETITION AND TRAINING VENUES:

Competition and training venues will be at 17 February Sports Hall 20 minutes drive from the Hotel.

TRANSPORT:

Local transportation will be provided from/to Mitiga International Airport for all delegations upon their arrival and departure.

Shuttle buses will be provided to/from competition and training venues.

VISA:

If an entry visa is required, you should be obtaining the visa from the Libyan embassy in your respective country.

If need be, your itinerary, passport copies and photos should be forwarded latest 31/01/2019 for the Organising Committee to seek permission to enable you obtain Entry Visas at the entry point. **Entry Visa on arrival may vary from country to country between US \$50 and \$100.**

For any consultation and assistance, please contact the LBA WF President on +218 91 354 3635 or by email lwf_1963@hotmail.com

YELLOW FEVER CERTIFICATE:

Valid yellow fever is a requirement and must be produced at the Airport.

INSURANCE:

According to IWF Rules, the participating Federations must undertake full moral and financial responsibility of their registered/ accredited delegates with regard to their health and wellness and in case of accidents or damages not attributable to the OC.

FLAG AND ANTHEM:

All participating delegates of each country are kindly requested to bring with them an Audio CD or flash Drive of their National Anthem and two National Flags with a size of 100 x 150cm. These Items will be submitted on arrival at the Accreditation Centre. You can also send an attachment of the Anthem's Audio file by E-mail.

AWARDS:

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded in each bodyweight category for both men and women of each age group in Total.

Certificates of participation will be presented to all participants.

Trophies will be awarded to the best three teams in total respectively for both men's and women's teams of each age group in accordance with IWF Team Classification.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

All electrical Alternate Current (AC) power sources have 220/240 Volts.

Average temperature in Tripoli during the Championships is 22o - 11o C.

Currency rate is US\$ (1 US dollar = 1.4 Libyan Dinar).

TENTATIVE PROGRAM:

Wednesday March 20, 2019 Arrival of delegations
Thursday March 21, 2019 10.00 am Verification of entries
Friday March 22, 2019 Competition
Saturday March 23, 2019 Competition and closing ceremony
Sunday March 24, 2019 Departure of delegations

We are looking forward to receiving you in Tripoli as our valuable guests.

Attached;

- Entry Forms (Preliminary and final)
- Flight Details
- Accommodations

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