

INTERNATIONAL WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION

Weightlifting

A. Events (15)

MEN'S EVENTS (8)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (7)
56 kg	48 kg
62 kg	53 kg
69 kg	58 kg
77 kg	63 kg
85 kg	69 kg
94 kg	75 kg
105 kg	+75 kg
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B. Quota

	QUALIFICATION	TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES	HOST COUNTRY PLACES	TOTAL
Men	147	6	3	156
Women	98	4	2	104
TOTAL	245	10	5	260

	QUOTA PER NOC
Men	6 (Max 2 per event)
Women	4 (Max 2 per event)
TOTAL	10

C. Athlete Eligibility

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY
All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force and only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games. Athletes must be at least 16 years of age in the year of the 2012 Olympic Games in London. Athletes participating in Olympic Qualification Events must undergo anti-doping controls in accordance with the WADA-IWF Anti-Doping Policy. In accordance with the decision of the IWF Executive Board, any athlete who is found to have committed an Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV) during the Olympic Games is not eligible to participate in any subsequent Olympic Games. Such athlete, following the conclusion of his/her period of ineligibility, may participate in any IWF Olympic Qualification Event, but will not earn any points for the Qualification Team Classification. Full information on the IWF special anti-doping regulations for the London 2012 Olympic Games can be found on the IWF official website.

D. Qualification System

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

A MEN'S QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

1. Main Qualification Events:

2010 World Championships - Antalya, Turkey

2011 World Championships - Paris, France

NOCs achieve qualification places according to their position in the joint team classification by points adding those scored in the 2010 and 2011 World Championships.

NOC's place in combined team classification	Number of athletes per NOC	Total number of athletes
1 st to 6 th	6	36
7 th to 12 th	5	30
13 th to 18 th	4	24
19 th to 24 th	3	18
		108

The team points at both World Championships are earned by maximum 6 (six) athletes per NOC and only for the Total Results as per the IWF Technical and Competition Rules Section 6.7.4 and 6.7.6. Those 6 (six) athletes must be assigned before each World Championships, latest at the verification of final entries.

The team points from the two World Championships are equally considered.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in total, points for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk are also calculated to determine the final classification within the tie.

The NFs which make up the host NOC's athletes do not receive team points. Ranking and points are upgraded accordingly.

2. Continental Qualification Events

One (1) continental qualification event is held for each continent in 2012. Only NOCs which have not gained quota places in the Main Qualification Events may obtain quota places.

The places, dates and organisers of the Continental Qualification Events are designated by the IWF and will be finalised by 31 December 2011.

NOCs achieve quota places according to their position in the team classification of the Continental Qualification Event.

NOC's place in team classification	Number of athletes per NOC	Total number of athletes
From Africa: 1 st – 5 th	1	5
From Asia: 1 st to 7 th	1	7
From Europe: 1 st to 7 th	1	7
From Pan-America: 1 st to 7 th	1	7
From Oceania: 1 st – 5 th	1	5
Total: 31 NOCs		31

The team points at the Continental Championships are earned by maximum 6 (six) athletes per NOC and only for the Total Results, as per the IWF Technical and Competition Rules Section 6.7.4 and 6.7.6. Those 6 (six) athletes must be assigned before the Continental Championships, latest at the verification of final entries.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in total, points for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk are also calculated to determine the final classification within the tie.

In Europe, the NFs which make up the host NOC's athletes do not receive team points. Ranking and points are upgraded accordingly.

3. Individual Qualification

Eight (8) places are allocated based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists established by 10 June 2012. Individual quota places are allocated to the athletes, ranked in the top 15 (fifteen) places in each bodyweight category, from NOCs which have not gained any quota place(s) through the Main or Continental Qualification Events.

If more than 8 (eight) weightlifters meet these conditions, the IWF selects the 8 (eight) best qualified athletes based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List. If less than 8 (eight) weightlifters qualify under the conditions of individual qualification, the remaining places are allocated by the IWF according to the procedure in place to reallocate unused IF quota places.

The Olympic Qualification Ranking List considers only the highest ranked athlete per NOC per bodyweight category, and is established from the results of the following Qualification Events:

- 2010 World Championships (Antalya, Turkey)
- 2010 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup (Penang, Malaysia)
- 2011 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup (Fujian, China)
- 2011 IWF Grand Prix - President's Cup (Belgorod, Russia)
- 2011 Junior World Championships (Penang, Malaysia)
- 2011 World Championships (Paris, France)
- 2012 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup
- 2012 Five (5) Continental Qualification Events

Individual Qualification is attributed by name to the respective athlete, who may participate in the Olympic Games only in the bodyweight category in which he achieved the quota place. An NOC may qualify a maximum of 1 (one) male weightlifter under the criteria of individual qualification. Should more than 1 (one) athlete from an NOC achieve qualification under these criteria, the NOC must determine which place will be used.

B WOMEN'S QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

1. Main Qualification Events:

2010 World Championships - Antalya, Turkey

2011 World Championships - Paris, France

NOCs achieve qualification places according to their position in the joint team classification by points adding those scored in the 2010 and 2011 World Championships.

NOC's place in combined team classification	Number of athletes per NOC	Total number of athletes eligible
1 st to 9 th	4	36
10 th to 16 th	3	21
17 th to 21 st	2	10
		67

The team points at both World Championships are earned by maximum 4 (four) athletes per NOC and only for the Total Results, as per the IWF Technical and Competition Rules Section 6.7.4 and 6.7.6. Those 4 (four) athletes must be assigned before each World Championships, latest at the verification of final entries.

The team points from the two World Championships are equally considered.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in total, points for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk are also calculated to determine the final classification within the tie.

The NFs which make up the host NOC's athletes do not receive team points. Ranking and points are upgraded accordingly.

2. Continental Qualification Events

1 (one) continental qualification event is held for each continent in 2012. Only NOCs which have not gained quota places in the Main Qualification Events may obtain quota places.

The places, dates and organisers of the Continental Qualification Events are designated by the IWF and will be finalised by 31 December 2011.

NOCs achieve quota places according to their position in the team classification of the Continental Qualification Event.

NOC's place in team classification of Continental Qualification Event	Number of athletes per NOC	Total number of athletes
From Africa: 1 st to 4 th	1	4
From Asia: 1 st to 6 th	1	6
From Europe: 1 st – 6 th	1	6
From Pan-America: 1 st to 4 th	1	4
From Oceania: 1 st to 4 th	1	4
Total: 24 NOCs		24

The team points at the Continental Qualification Event are earned by maximum 4 (four) athletes per NOC and only for the Total Results as per the IWF Technical and Competition Rules Section 6.7.4 and 6.7.6. Those 4 (four) athletes must be assigned before the Continental Qualification Event, latest at the verification of final entries.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in total, points for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk are also calculated to determine the final classification within the tie.

In Europe, the NFs which make up the host NOC's athletes do not receive team points. Ranking and points are upgraded accordingly.

3. Individual Qualification

Seven (7) places are allocated based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List established by 10 June 2012. Individual quota places are allocated to the athletes, ranked in the top 10 (ten) places in each bodyweight category, from NOCs which have not gained any quota places through the Main or Continental Qualification Events.

If more than 7 (seven) weightlifters meet these conditions, the IWF selects the 7 (seven) best qualified athletes based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List. If less than 7 (seven) weightlifters qualify under the conditions of individual qualification, the remaining places are allocated by the IWF according

to the procedure in place to reallocate unused IF quota places.

The Olympic Qualification Ranking List considers only the highest ranked athlete per NOC per bodyweight category, and is established from the results of the following Qualification Events:

- 2010 World Championships (Antalya, Turkey)
- 2010 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup (Penang, Malaysia)
- 2011 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup (Fujian, China)
- 2011 IWF Grand Prix - President's Cup (Belgorod, Russia)
- 2011 Junior World Championships (Penang, Malaysia)
- 2011 World Championships (Paris, France)
- 2012 IWF Grand Prix and World Cup
- 2012 Five (5) Continental Qualification Events

Individual Qualification is attributed by name to the respective athlete, who may participate in the Olympic Games only in the bodyweight category in which she achieved the qualification. An NOC may qualify a maximum of 1 (one) female weightlifter under the criteria of individual qualification. Should more than 1 (one) athlete from an NOC achieve qualification under these criteria, the NOC must determine which place will be used.

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

Great Britain, as host country has been allocated three (3) men's quota places and two (2) women's quota places for the London 2012 Olympic Games.

The host NOC must confirm if they will accept these quota place(s) and indicate in which weight class(es) they would like to compete by 10 June 2012.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

10 Tripartite Commission Invitation Places are made available for eligible NOCs.

On 1 November 2011, the International Olympic Committee will contact all those NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places.

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places is 16 January 2012. In relation to the end of the qualification period, the Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the respective NOCs between 1 May and 9 July 2012.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the – Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Information Paper for NOCs – which is included in the Games of the XXX Olympiad, London 2012 Qualification and Participation Criteria.

E. Confirmation process for quota places

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

By 10 June 2012, the IWF will notify the NOCs and NFs of quota places obtained for the Olympic Games.

By 20 June 2012, the NOCs must confirm to the IWF the athletes they wish to enter in the Olympic Games and the bodyweight categories for these quota places.

By 25 June 2012, the IWF will confirm reallocation as per the process described under Section F.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES

If an NOC chooses not to use all quota places obtained, or if individual quota places cannot be allocated, or any obtained quota place is taken back by the IWF, the quota places concerned shall be reallocated by the IWF according to the following criteria, in priority order, exclusively to NOCs that had not gained quota in the respective gender:

1. NOCs which participated in the Main Qualification Events
2. NOCs which participated in the Continental Qualification Event
3. NOCs which participated in any other Qualification Event
4. Performance
5. Universality – based on continental representation in the Games

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the host country does not use their allocated quota places, these places will be allocated as per the reallocation process in place for unused IF quota places, as outlined above.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

Any unused places within the reserved quota of places will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission. If the Tripartite Commission is not able to allocate all of the places they will be allocated as per the reallocation process in place for unused IF quota places, as outlined above.

G. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
September 2010	Main Qualification - World Championships (Antalya, TUR)
11 - 16 December 2010	IWF Grand Prix (Penang, MAS) – to be considered for individual qualification ranking list
15 - 17 January 2011	IWF Grand Prix (Fujian, CHN) – to be considered for individual qualification ranking list
27 June - 7 July 2011	Junior World Championships (Penang, MAS) – to be considered for individual qualification ranking list
1 November 2011	IOC will contact all NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
3 - 13 November 2011	Main Qualification - World Championships (Paris, FRA)
16 - 18 December 2011	IWF Grand Prix - President's Cup (Belgorod, RUS) – to be considered for individual qualification ranking list
16 January 2012	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Invitation Commission Places
January - 9 June 2012	5 Continental Qualification Events
28 March - 4 April 2012	African Championships (Nairobi, KEN)
6 - 16 April 2012	European Championships (Antalya, TUR)
22 - 30 April 2012	Asian Championship (Pyeongtaek, KOR)
10 - 18 May 2012	Pan-American Championships (Antigua Guatemala, GUA)
4 - 9 June 2012	Oceania Championships (Apia, SAM)
1 May - 9 July 2012	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to NOCs

10 June 2012	• IWF to determine individual qualifications on the basis of the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists • IWF notifies NOCs/NFs of the quota obtained
20 June 2012	NOCs confirm use of quota place(s) and bodyweight category of athletes
25 June 2012	IWF to confirm reallocation of unused quota places
9 July 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organising Committee to receive entry forms