

INTERNATIONAL WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION

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**NATIONALITY
CHANGE**

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What shall I do if I want to change my nationality and represent another country?

Please note that in all cases a condition of participation for a given country is that **you must hold the citizenship of that country**, proven by an official document issued by such country (such as passport). In case a country does not issue its own passport or any similar document, for the determination of nationality the IWF accepts the applicable rules of the UN and/or IOC and/or IWF.

CASE 1.

In case you never represented your former country at any international competition, after you got the citizenship of your new country and registered in ADAMS you are free to compete on behalf of your new country.

CASE 2.

In case you have already represented your former country at international events and you have no double or multiple citizenship then you have to

1. obtain the citizenship of the new country
2. get a written approval from your former Federation
3. get a written approval from your new Federation
4. and lastly get an approval from the IWF.

After you got all the above documents you have to be registered in ADAMS and so you are eligible to compete on behalf of your new Federation.

CASE 3.

In case you have already represented your former country at international events and you have no double or multiple citizenship **but you cannot get the written approval from your former Federation**, then you have to

1. submit a written request to the IWF that you wish to represent a new country and then you have to wait one year from the date of the request submission to be automatically eligible to compete on behalf of your new Federation.
2. obtain the citizenship of the new country
3. submit a written approval from your new Federation
4. and lastly obtain an approval from the IWF.

CASE 4.

In the case you have double or multiple citizenship, proven by an official document issued by such country (such as passport), you may participate at IWF Calendar Events but may represent not more than one (1) country within a period of twelve (12) months.

CASE 5.

In the case of a second or further change of citizenship, the condition of participation at international events is four (4) years of new citizenship, including one Olympic Games.

Please note that for those who wish to compete at the Olympic Games the Olympic Charter's special Rules shall apply: http://www.olympic.org/documents/olympic_charter_en.pdf

Should you have any questions regarding the nationality change do not hesitate to contact the IWF through Dr. Magdolna Trombitás at magdolna.trombitas@iwfnet.net