

## International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)

### EVENTS

Men	Women
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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### ATHLETE / NOC QUOTA

Athlete quota: 170 men  
90 women  
Total of **260** athletes

Maximum per NOC: 2 (two) athletes per bodyweight category, with a maximum of 6 (six) men and 4 (four) women

### QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

#### A MEN'S QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

##### 1. Main Qualification Events: 2006 World Championships and 2007 World Championships

NOCs will achieve qualification places according to their position in the joint team classification by points, adding those scored in the 2006 and in the 2007 World Championships, whereby

- a) points achieved in the 2006 World Championships team classification = 100%
- b) points achieved in the 2007 World Championships team classification must be multiplied by 1.2<sup>1</sup>

Place as per aggregate team points of 2006 and 2007 World Championships	Number of athletes qualified per NOC	Athletes qualified	Total number of athletes qualified
1 <sup>st</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup>	6	6 x 6	36
7 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup>	5	7 x 5	35
14 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	4	7 x 4	28
21 <sup>st</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	3	7 x 3	21
<b>Total</b>		<b>27 NOCs</b>	<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> NOC scores 100 points in 2006 WWC and 100 points in 2007 WWC: total is 100+120=220 points

The team classification is calculated from the Total results as per the IWF Technical Rules 5.8.3 and 5.8.7.

The host nation (CHN) is not included in the team classifications, the team ranking is upgraded accordingly.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in Total, points as per IWF Technical Rule 5.8.3 for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk will also be calculated and considered to determine the final classification within the tie.

## **2. Continental Qualification Events**

1 (one) continental qualification event will be held for each continent, at which only NOCs which have not gained qualification places in the 2006 and 2007 World Championships may win qualification places.

The places, dates and organisers of the Continental Qualification Events will be designated by the IWF.

At continental qualification events, NOCs will obtain qualification places based on the team classification, which is calculated only from the Total results as per the IWF Technical Rules 5.8.3 and 5.8.7; in accordance with the following table:

<b>Place in team classification of Continental Qualification Event</b>	<b>Number of athletes per NOC</b>	<b>Total number of athletes</b>
<b>From Africa:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(4 NOCs — 5 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes With 1 athlete each	2 3
<b>From Asia:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(5 NOCs — 7 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes each With 1 athlete each	4 3
<b>From Europe:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(5 NOCs — 7 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes each With 1 athlete each	4 3
<b>From America:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(5 NOCs — 7 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes each With 1 athlete each	4 3
<b>From Oceania:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>(3 NOCs — 4 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes With 1 athlete each	2 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>22 NOCs</b>	<b>30</b>

The host nation (CHN) is not included in the team classification for Asia.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in Total, points as per IWF Technical Rule 5.8.3 for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk will also be calculated and considered to determine the final classification within the tie.

## **3. Individual Qualification**

8 (eight) places will be allocated based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List established by 31 May 2008. Individual qualification places will be allocated to the athletes, ranked in the top 15 (fifteen) places in each bodyweight category, from NOCs which have not gained any qualification places through the 2006 and 2007 World Championships or Continental Qualification Events.

If more than 8 (eight) weightlifters meet these conditions, the IWF will select the 8 (eight) best qualified athletes based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists. If less than 8 (eight) weightlifters qualify under the conditions of individual qualification, the remaining places will be allocated by the IWF in discussion with the Tripartite Commission.

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

- **2006 World Championships**
- **2007 World Championships**
- **5 Continental Qualification Events**
- **IWF Grand Prix Events in 2006-2007-2008** (these to be designated by the IWF).

Individual Qualification is attributed by name to the respective athlete, who may participate in the Olympic Games only in the same weight category in which he achieved the qualification 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.

#### **4. Tripartite Commission (IOC-ANOC-IWF) Invitation places**

The Tripartite Commission shall, on the basis of requests submitted by the NOCs and in consultation, allocate a total of 10 (ten) Invitation places to NOCs, in a gender proportion of approximately 6 (six) men and 4 (four) women. NOCs must submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places to the IOC, with copy to the IWF, by 15 November 2007. The Tripartite Commission will inform the NOCs of the allocation of Invitation places at the end of the Qualification period.

#### **5. Host nation**

The host nation shall directly qualify 6 (six) men's places. Points/rank achieved by the host nation's teams at the Main and the Continental Olympic Qualification Events will be disregarded and the ranking of NOCs will be upgraded in the host nation's place.

### **B WOMEN'S QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**

#### **1. Main Qualification Events: 2006 World Championships and 2007 World Championships**

NOCs will achieve qualification places according to their position in the joint team classification by points, adding those scored in the 2006 and in the 2007 World Championships, whereby

- c) points achieved in the 2006 World Championships team classification = 100%
- d) points achieved in the 2007 World Championships team classification must be multiplied by 1.2<sup>2</sup>

<b>Places as per aggregate team points of 2006 and 2007 World Championships</b>	<b>Number of athletes per NOC</b>	<b>Athletes eligible</b>	<b>Total number of athletes eligible</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup>	4	9 x 4	36
10 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup>	3	5 x 3	15
15 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>	2	3 x 2	6
<b>Total</b>		<b>17 NOCs</b>	<b>57</b>

<sup>2</sup> NOC scores 100 points in 2006 WWC and 100 points in 2007 WWC: total is 100+120=220 points

The team classification is calculated from the Total results only, as per the IWF Technical Rules 5.8.3 and 5.8.7.

The host nation (CHN) is not included in the team classifications, the team ranking is upgraded accordingly.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in Total, points as per IWF Technical Rule 5.8.3 for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk will also be calculated and considered to determine the final classification within the tie.

## **2. Continental Qualification Events**

1 (one) continental qualification event will be held for each continent, at which only NOCs which have not gained qualification places in the 2006 and 2007 World Championships may win qualification places.

The places, dates and organisers of the Continental Qualification Events will be designated by the IWF.

At continental qualification events, NOCs will obtain qualification places based on the team classification, in accordance with the table below, which is calculated only from the Total result as per the IWF Technical Rules 5.8.3 and 5.8.7.

<b>Place in team classification of Continental Qualification Event</b>	<b>Number of athletes per NOC</b>	<b>Total number of athletes</b>
<b>From Africa:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>(3 NOCs — 3 athletes)</b> With 1 athlete each	3
<b>From Asia:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(4 NOCs — 4 athletes)</b> With 1 athlete each	4
<b>From Europe:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>(3 NOCs — 4 athletes)</b> With 2 athletes With 1 athlete each	2 2
<b>From America:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>(4 NOCs — 4 athletes)</b> With 1 athlete each	4
<b>From Oceania:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>(3 NOCs — 3 athletes)</b> With 1 athlete each	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 NOCs</b>	<b>18</b>

The host nation (CHN) is not included in the team classification for Asia.

When 2 (two) or more teams have the same points and same places in Total, points as per IWF Technical Rule 5.8.3 for the Snatch and Clean & Jerk will also be calculated and considered to determine the final classification within the tie.

## **3. Individual Qualification**

7 (seven) places will be allocated based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List established by 31 May 2008. Individual qualification places will be allocated to the athletes, ranked in the top 10 (ten) places in each bodyweight category, from NOCs which have not gained any qualification places through the 2006 and 2007 World Championships or Continental Qualification Events.

If more than 7 (seven) weightlifters fulfil these conditions, the IWF will select the 7 (seven) best qualified athletes based on the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists. If less than 7 (seven) weightlifters qualify under the conditions of individual qualification, the remaining places will be allocated by the IWF in discussion with the Tripartite Commission.

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:

- **2006 World Championships**
- **2007 World Championships**
- **5 Continental Qualification Events**
- **IWF Grand Prix Events in 2006-2007-2008** (these to be designated by the IWF).

Individual Qualification is attributed by name to the respective athlete, who may participate in the Olympic Games only in the same weight category in which she achieved the qualification. NOCs 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.

#### **4. Tripartite Commission (IOC-ANOC-IWF) Invitation places**

The Tripartite Commission shall, on the basis of requests submitted by the NOCs and in consultation, allocate a total of 10 (ten) Invitation places to NOCs, in a gender proportion of approximately 6 (six) men and 4 (four) women. NOCs must submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places to the IOC, with copy to the IWF, by 15 November 2007. The Tripartite Commission will inform the NOCs of the allocation of Invitation places at the end of the Qualification period.

#### **5. Host nation**

The host nation (CHN) shall directly qualify 4 (four) women's places. Points/rank achieved by the host nation's teams at the Main and the Continental Olympic Qualification Events will be disregarded and the ranking of NOCs will be upgraded in the host nation's place.

### **SUMMARY OF THE NUMBER OF ATHLETES QUALIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BEIJING 2008 OLYMPIC GAMES**

	Men		Women	
	No of athletes	No of NOCs	No of athletes	No of NOCs
Qualification at the 2006 and 2007 W.Ch.	120	27	57	17
Continental qualification	30	22	18	17
Individual qualification	8	8	7	7
Tripartite Invitation places	6	6	4	4
Host nation	6	1	4	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>46</b>

#### **QUALIFICATION TIMELINE**

29 Sept – 8 Oct 2006	OI. Qualif. World Championships – Santo Domingo (DOM)
15-24 Sept 2007	OI. Qualif. World Championships – Chiang Mai (THA)
2007/2008	African continental qualification event, <i>site and date to be confirmed</i>
2007/2008	Asian continental qualification event, <i>site and date to be confirmed</i>
2007/2008	Panamerican continental qualification event, <i>site and date to be confirmed</i>

2007/2008	European continental qualification event, <i>site and date to be confirmed</i>
2007/2008	Oceanian continental qualification event, <i>site and date to be confirmed</i>
15 November 2007	Deadline for the submission of requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places by all NOCs
31 January 2008	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, a preliminary allocation of Invitation places to the NOCs
15 May 2008	Deadline for completion of continental qualification events
31 May 2008	IWF to determine individual qualifications on the basis of the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists
31 May 2008	IWF to notify NFs/NOCs on qualification places obtained
15 June 2008	NOCs to confirm their use of qualification places
30 June 2008	IWF to confirm reallocation of unused quota places
July 2008	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of remaining Invitation places to the NOCs
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive Entry Forms submitted by NOCs

#### **DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES**

By 31 May 2008, the IWF will notify the NOCs and NFs that have obtained qualification places for the Olympic Games, advising them of the number of athletes they may enter to the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

By 15 June 2008, the NOCs concerned must confirm to the IWF the exact number of athletes they wish to enter in the Olympic Games, and the bodyweight categories for these entry places. By 30 June 2008, the IWF will confirm the reallocation of unused quota positions in accordance with the process noted below.

#### **REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS**

If an NOC chooses not to use all qualification places obtained, or if individual qualification places cannot be allocated, the qualification places concerned shall be reallocated by the IWF with consideration to the Olympic Qualification Ranking List.

#### **GENERAL CONDITION ON ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS**

Athletes participating in Olympic Qualification Events must undergo anti-doping controls in accordance with the WADA-IWF Anti-Doping Policy.