19. PARA POWERLIFTING

MEDAL EVENTS

Men's	Women's	Mixed/Open	Total
10	10	0	20
- 49.00kg - 54.00kg - 59.00kg - 65.00kg - 72.00kg - 80.00kg - 88.00kg - 97.00kg - 107.00kg + 107.00kg	- 41.00kg - 45.00kg - 50.00kg - 55.00kg - 61.00kg - 67.00kg - 73.00kg - 79.00kg - 86.00kg + 86.00kg		

ATHLETE QUOTA

Male	Female	Gender-free	Total
90	90	0	180

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Qualification slots are allocated to the individual athlete, not to the NPC.

MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC

An NPC may be allocated no more than eight (8) male and eight (8) female qualification slots. Exceptions may be granted through the Bipartite Commission Invitation method.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the entry into the Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games, athletes must:

1. hold an active World Para Powerlifting Athlete License for the 2026, 2027 and 2028 seasons;
2. be internationally classified in an eligible Sport Class with a Sport Class Status of (i) Confirmed; or (ii) Review with a Fixed Review Date after 31 December 2028;
3. have completed all the requirements set out in the *"World Para Powerlifting Qualification Pathway 2025-2028"* document published on World Para Powerlifting's website. Qualification Pathway requirements include mandatory participation in the following World Para Powerlifting Recognised Competitions:
    - 2025 World Championships or 2025 Junior World Championships;
    - 2026 respective Regional Open Championships*;
    - 2027 World Championships or 2027 Junior World Championships;
    - at least two (2) World Para Powerlifting Sanctioned Competitions in the year 2028 (prior to 30 June 2028):
        a. 2028 respective Regional Open Championships* and;
        b. any other 2028 WPPO Regional Open Championships or a WPPO World Cup; and

    ** Exceptions may be granted in accordance with the process set out in the "World Para Powerlifting Qualification Pathway 2025-2028" document.*
4. be ranked in the World Para Powerlifting Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List closing 6 June 2028.

Exceptions may be granted to criteria 3 and 4 through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.

MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

An NPC may enter a maximum of one (1) eligible athlete per medal event. Exceptions may be granted through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated in the following order:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
Paralympic Ranking List Allocation	The top eight (8) ranked male athletes and top eight (8) ranked female athletes in each medal event on the World Para Powerlifting Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List closing 6 June 2028 will obtain one (1) qualification slot. In case an NPC is represented in more than eight (8) bodyweight categories in either gender of the World Para Powerlifting Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List closing 6 June 2028, the NPC must nominate which eight (8) athletes per gender should be offered a qualification slot. Any slots that cannot be allocated under this method shall be allocated via the Bipartite Commission Invitation method.	80 male athletes 80 female athletes
Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation	Ten (10) male athletes and ten (10) female athletes will be selected by the IPC and World Para Powerlifting for Bipartite Commission Invitation slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, NPCs must submit an official application to World Para Powerlifting by 19 June 2028.	10 male athletes 10 female athletes
Total		**180 athletes**

TIMELINE

1 January 2026	Start of the period for athletes to achieve performances for the Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List
5 May 2028	Deadline for Los Angeles 2028 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs (“Accreditation Long List”)
6 June 2028	End of the period for athletes to achieve performances for the Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List

8 June 2028	World Para Powerlifting update the Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List
12 June 2028	Deadline for NPCs with athletes ranked in more than one bodyweight category and/or more than eight (8) athletes per gender ranked in the top 8 of the respective bodyweight category to declare in writing to World Para Powerlifting both the medal event that their athlete(s) wish to compete in and/or which eight (8) athletes per gender they wish to be allocated a qualification slot. If an NPC fails to submit this declaration, World Para Powerlifting will take this decision, with no opportunity for protest or appeal, based on the results of the most recent competition.
15 June 2028	World Para Powerlifting publishes the Paralympic individual Ranking List
15 June 2028	World Para Powerlifting confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of Paralympic Ranking List qualification slots
15 June 2028	Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation process
19 June 2028	Deadline for NPCs to submit Bipartite Commission Invitation applications to WPPO
19 June 2028	Deadline for NPCs to confirm in writing to World Para Powerlifting the acceptance of qualification slots
30 June 2028	World Para Powerlifting confirms in writing to NPCs the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots
24 July 2028	Deadline for Los Angeles 2028 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By 19 June 2028 each NPC must confirm in writing by email to World Para Powerlifting the qualification slots that they will accept. NPCs that fail to respond by this date will automatically lose their qualification slots, and World Para Powerlifting may reallocate these slots.

By 30 June 2028 World Para Powerlifting will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 30 June 2028, NPCs must officially declare their use of their allocated slots. Any NPC that fails to use any of its allocated slots having declared that it will do so may be subject to sanctions by the IPC and World Para Powerlifting.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any qualification slot that is not used by an NPC may be reallocated through the Bipartite Commission Invitation method by 30 June 2028.

Any slot(s) returned or unused after 30 June 2028 may be redistributed at the sole discretion of the IPC (see relevant section above on page 9).

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