

BIRMINGHAM 2022 COMMONWEALTH GAMES
NOMINATION CRITERIA FOR OLYMPIC WEIGHTLIFTING NEW ZEALAND

1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 **Date of Issue:** This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board.
- 1.2 **Effective Date:** This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from 18 January 2021 and was amended on 27th October 2021.
- 1.3 **Scope:** This Nomination Criteria applies to:
- (a) all Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the Games Team to compete in the Games in a Weightlifting Event; and
 - (b) Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand, including the OWNZ Selectors, that wish to nominate Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection to the Games Team for the Games.
- 1.4 **Process:** Selection to the Games Team in a Weightlifting Event is a three-step process:
- (a) each Athlete must be eligible in accordance with clause 3 of this Nomination Criteria;
 - (b) Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand nominates Athletes to the NZOC in accordance with this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation; and
 - (c) the NZOC selects Athletes to the Games Team in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

2. OWNZ Selectors

- 2.1 **Composition:** The OWNZ Selectors shall be appointed by Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand. The OWNZ Selectors who will consider nomination of Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection in the Games Team are:
- Jodie Mason, Sheryl Tan, Jason Fanning
- 2.2 **Changes to OWNZ Selectors:** The Board reserves the right to change a Selector at any time in its absolute discretion prior to the Nomination Date. In such case, it will publish the change of Selector on the Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand website.

3. Nomination Procedure

- 3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The OWNZ Selectors may only consider an Athlete for nomination if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:

- (a) returned a completed Athlete Application to the NZOC, in the form prescribed by the NZOC by the following dates (“Application Date”):
 - i. no later than 5.00pm, 28 July 2021, where an Athlete is not a regular member of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand at this date; or
 - ii. no later than 5.00pm, 26 November 2021, where an Athlete is a regular member of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand, or
 - iii. in exceptional circumstances before 5.00pm, 28 January 2022 (or such extended date as agreed by the NZOC Board) where Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand provides the NZOC with evidence that demonstrates that Athlete could not have been reasonably in contemplation before 26 November 2021, provided the Athlete is a regular member of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand; and
- (b) returned a completed Athlete Agreement to the NZOC in the manner prescribed by the NZOC prior to the Nomination Date; and
- (c) be a member of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand; and
- (d) be a New Zealand citizen and have a New Zealand passport; and
- (e) has received an invitation by name from the CGF via the NZOC, to participate in the Games;
- (f) demonstrated to the satisfaction of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Games to the highest possible standard; and
- (g) acted in such a manner so as not to bring the Athlete, the sport, Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
- (h) to Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand’s knowledge has not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the Athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand’s, IWF or NZOC’s Integrity Regulation;
- (i) be eligible pursuant to the the Athlete Allocation System for the XXII Commonwealth Games (“Athlete Allocation System”); and
- (j) have received an official invitation by name from the IWF via Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand and/or the NZOC to compete at the Games in the relevant Weightlifting Event; and
- (k) no later than 28 July 2021 where the Athlete is not a regular member of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand or 28 January 2022 (or such extended date as agreed by the NZOC Board) has provided their name and contact address details to NZOC for the purpose of out of competition drug testing with Drug Free Sport New Zealand.

3.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify for places in a Weightlifting Event in accordance with Athlete Allocation System, the Birmingham Games Manual and other CGF rules. Qualification for a place in any event by an Athlete does not guarantee that Athlete will be nominated or selected to compete in the Weightlifting Event at the Games.

3.3 **Nomination if Nomination Criteria Met:** Provided the requirements set out in clause 3.1 and 3.2 are met, the OWNZ Selectors shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below, subject to any quota restriction placed on the CGF and/or NZOC.

4. Nomination Criteria

4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** In considering any Athlete for nomination to the NZOC, the OWNZ Selectors shall consider:

- (a) the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria specified in clause 4.2, including the evidence required in clause 4.3; and
- (b) the Specific Nomination Factors specified in clause 4.4.
- (c) any Extenuating Circumstances in accordance with clause 5.

4.2 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria:** In determining whether or not to nominate an Athlete to the NZOC, the OWNZ Selectors must be satisfied that:

- (a) the Athlete is capable of achieving a top 6 placing at the Games in a Weightlifting Event at the Games; and
- (c) has a track record of sufficient quality and depth that the NZOC believes demonstrates that the Nominated Athlete will be competitive at the Games and will perform creditably in that Weightlifting Event.

4.3 **Evidence:** In determining whether or not the Athlete has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Weightlifting Events in clauses 4.2(a) and (b) above, the OWNZ Selectors shall consider the following:

- (a) the Athlete's Commonwealth ranking as displayed on the Commonwealth Ranking Database (published as at 7 March 2022); and
- (b) the Athlete's total in the Weightlifting Event at which they seek to be nominated for the Games from the following Key Events during the Qualification Period:
 - (i) **Compulsory Key Event:**
 - 2022 NZ International – 26/27th Feb, Auckland

(ii) And at least one (1) of the following Key Events:

2020

- New Zealand Nationals – November, Tauranga

2021

- Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games – 23rd Jul-8th Aug, Japan
- Commonwealth Senior Championships – 7th – 17th Dec, Uzbekistan
- IWF Senior World Championships – 7th – 17th Dec, Uzbekistan
- New Zealand North Championships - July, Fielding
- New Zealand South Championships - July, Nelson
- Upper South Island Championships – 20/21 Nov, Nelson
- Lower South Island Championships – 27 Nov, Dunedin
- Central North Island Championships – 4 Dec, Waikato
- Lower North Island Championships – 11/12 Dec, Wellington
- Upper North Island Championships – 11/12 Dec, Auckland

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As of the publication of the nomination criteria, there are no IWF events scheduled in 2022 that fall within the Qualification Period. If events from 2021 are subsequently postponed or new events sanctioned and added to the 2022 IWF calendar within the Qualification Period, Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand will notify Athletes by publication on the Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand website.

N.B. For the sake of clarity, the requirements listed above are intended to be the minimum requirement. An Athlete must attend and post a total at the Compulsory Event as well as attending and posting totals at a sufficient number of the Key Events to demonstrate the Athlete has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria.

4.4 Specific Nomination Factors: When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the OWNZ Selectors may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about an Athlete:

- (a) any other performances or results in competitions / events in addition to the Key Events;
- (b) adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es);
- (c) demonstrated good behaviour, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps;
- (d) demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment;
- (e) demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions;
- (f) understanding and respect for the obligations that accompany being a member of a New Zealand team when competing at the Games, including respect for team members and support staff;

- (g) willingness to promote Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand in a positive manner;
- (h) demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
- (i) proven ability to be reliable; and
- (j) any other factor(s) the OWNZ Selectors consider relevant.

4.5 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the OWNZ Selectors may make such enquiries of the Athlete, or other persons, as they see fit.

4.6 **Weight to be Given to Specific Nomination Factors:** The OWNZ Selectors may give weight to any one or more of the Specific Nomination Factors and, if it does, to apply such weighting to one or more Athletes. No particular factor shall be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that factor appears in this Nomination Criteria.

4.7 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In any decision regarding the nomination of Athletes to the Games Team, the OWNZ Selectors may, in their sole discretion, take into account any extenuating circumstances in accordance with clause 5 below.

5. **Extenuating Circumstances**

5.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the OWNZ Selectors may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) injury or illness;
- (b) travel delays;
- (c) equipment failure;
- (d) bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or
- (e) any other factors reasonably considered by the OWNZ Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.

5.2 **Athlete to Advise:** Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria, must advise the High Performance Director of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with as much advance notice as possible and ideally seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the event, trial or other attendance. If the High Performance Director is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, then the OWNZ Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.

5.3 **Medical Certificate:** In the case of injury or illness, Athletes may be required by the OWNZ Selectors to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the OWNZ Selectors, and to provide that opinion and/or report

to the OWNZ Selectors. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the OWNZ Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.

- 5.4 **Case by Case:** In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the OWNZ Selectors will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.

6. **Nomination and Selection**

- 6.1 **Nomination to NZOC:** Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand will nominate Athletes (“Nominated Athletes”) to the NZOC by the Nomination Date.

- 6.2 **Nomination with Conditions:** Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand may nominate an Athlete with any conditions, for example, conditions relating to recovery from injury or continuing to meet specified performance levels. If the conditions are not met to the satisfaction of the OWNZ Selectors, they will not be eligible for selection, unless the NZOC decides to select the Nominated Athlete subject to those or other conditions.

- 6.3 **Selection by NZOC:** Selection to the Games Team by the NZOC will be made in accordance with the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

7. **Appeal Procedure**

- 7.1 **Non-Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand against their non-nomination to the NZOC by Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand provided that the Athlete:

- (a) is on the Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand long list for the Games; and
- (b) meets the eligibility criteria under clause 3 of this Criteria.

- 7.2 **Procedures for Non-Nomination Appeals:** Any appeal under criteria 8.1 of this Criteria must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 13 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

- 7.3 **Procedures for Non-Selection Appeals:** If a Nominated Athlete is not selected by the NZOC, the Nominated Athlete may appeal the non-selection in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 14 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation provided that the Nominated Athlete:

- (a) is on the Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand long list for the Games; and
- (b) meets the eligibility criteria under clause 3 of this Criteria.

8. **Inconsistencies**

- 8.1 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation, the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation shall prevail.

8.2 **Qualification Standard:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the CGF, this shall not be regarded as an inconsistency.

9. Amendments to this Nomination Criteria

9.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the Board, before the Nomination Date, provided NZOC has prior approved the amendment/s and supplement/s.

9.2 **Notice:** The Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s made under clause 9.1 to this Nomination Criteria, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.

10. Definitions

10.1 **Application Date** means the dates set out in clause 3.1(a) of this Criteria, by which Athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application to the NZOC in accordance with clause 8.3 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

10.2 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Games Team.

10.3 **Athlete Agreement** means the agreement that must be completed by any Athlete wishing to be considered for nomination and selection to the Games Team in accordance with clause 8.4 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

10.4 **Athlete Application** means the form set by the NZOC that must be completed by any Athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team.

10.5 **Board** means the Executive Group of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand as established under the Constitution.

10.6 **CGF** means the Commonwealth Games Federation.

10.7 **Constitution** means the Constitution of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand.

10.8 **Extenuating Circumstances** means the inability to perform at an optimum level arising from one or more of the reasons set out in clause 5.

10.9 **Games** means the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games to be held in Birmingham, England between 28 July – 8 August 2022.

10.10 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.

10.11 **High Performance Director** means the High Performance Director of Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand and includes his / her nominee.

10.12 **IWF** means the International Weightlifting Federation.

- 10.13 **Key Events** means an international, continental or national competition listed in clause 4.3(b).
- 10.14 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC by Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand.
- 10.15 **Nomination Criteria** means the criteria made up of the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria and the Specific Nomination Factors, and is also referred to as “this Criteria”.
- 10.16 **Nomination Date** means on or before 9 March 2022 to be confirmed once Allocation System released (and includes any alternative date as agreed between NZOC and Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand), by which Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand must submit any Nominated Athletes to the NZOC.
- 10.17 **NZOC** means the New Zealand Olympic Committee Incorporated.
- 10.18 **NZOC Integrity Regulation** means the regulation adopted by the NZOC, in particular in relation to anti-doping, a copy of which is available at www.olympic.org.nz/nzoc/publications-and-reports-0.
- 10.19 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation** means the regulation of NZOC relation to the nomination and selection Process for all Olympic and Commonwealth games, including the Games.
- 10.20 **Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand** means Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand Incorporated.
- 10.21 **OWNZ Selectors** means the selectors appointed by Olympic Weightlifting New Zealand in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 10.22 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 4.2.
- 10.23 **Qualification Period** means 1 January 2021 to 28 February 2022.
- 10.24 **Weightlifting Event** means one of the following events at the Games:

Men's Weightlifting Events	Women's Weightlifting Events
55kg	49kg
61kg	55kg
67kg	59kg
73kg	64kg
81kg	71kg
96kg	76kg
109kg	87kg
+109kg	+87kg