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1 Competition Dates

WPPO Level 3 Technical Official course	Provided online 15-30 April (1-hour session 3 times per week)
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Introduction to Para PO Coaching Course	Provided online 15-30 April (1-hour session 3 times per week)
Team Arrival Dates	17 May 2021
International Classification	18-19 May 2021
Raise the Bar! Anti-Doping Seminars (TBC)	17-18 May 2021
Technical Meeting	19 May 2021
Competition Dates	20-23 May 2021
Team Departures	24 May 2021

2 Competition Entries

All competition entries must be completed via the **IPC Online entry system** at www.paralympic.org/sdms by the entry deadlines displayed below. Visa invitation, accommodation applications, accreditation applications and travel information must be submitted by no later than the deadlines published below.

Entry by number & By Names Opens	1 February 2021
Entry by number & By Names Deadline	31 March 2021
Accreditation System Opens	31 March 2021
<u>Final</u> Deadline to return request for Visa invitation letter application	5 April 2021
<u>Final</u> Deadline to return: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Travel Information ▪ Accommodation Form ▪ Complete Online Accreditation Application 	20 April 2021

***Accommodation will not be reserved by the LOC until full payment is received**

3 Covid-19

Georgian Paralympic Committee is working closely with the Georgian government and our main goal is to make a safe and enjoyable competition. Georgian government guidance will lead our planning to ensure a Covid secure event. In order to make the event as safe as possible for every attendee we will require the complete support and cooperation of all teams. This may include Covid Testing in your respective country within 72 hours of departure, at the cost of the NPC. And additional 2 Covid Testing in Tbilisi, covered by the LOC, social distancing, use of face coverings and any other elements of the Event Covid Plan that the LOC puts in place.

Note: Any additional PCR test cost 122 USD

4 Accommodation

Hotel & Preferences Hualing in Tbilisi is the official hotel for all athletes and team officials during the World Cup. This hotel offers accommodation in accessible single and double rooms.

- Hotel name: Hotel & Preferences Hualing
- Address: 22 J. Lezhava Str., 0152
- Tbilisi, Georgia
- Website: <http://www.hotelspreference.ge/>



4.1 Type and cost of rooms:

- **Single room: 180 EURO** per person per night including 3 meals per day
- **Double room: 140 EURO** per person per night including 3 meals per day
- The check-in time at the competition hotel is from 14:00 and the check-out is until 12:00pm



4.2 Payment procedure

Full accommodation fees must be transferred to the following bank account, by no later than 20 April 2021. Please note that room bookings will only be confirmed and allocated to teams when the accommodation payment has been received in full.

Bank Details:

Beneficiary's Bank:	JSC TBC Bank Tbilisi, Georgia
Swift Code:	TBCBGE22
IBAN:	GE64TB7564636080100006
Name of Beneficiary:	Georgian Paralympic Committee

4.3 Cancellation Policy

- 50% of payment will be refunded if cancellations are made before 31 March 2021.
- No payment will be refunded if the cancellation is from 1st April 2021.
- The competition fee is a flat rate fee and not refundable for neither late arrival nor early departure. The LOC will reimburse the competition fee if the competition is cancelled due to Covid-19 or circumstances beyond that LOC reasonable control including (Force Majeure). The LOC will be not responsible in reimbursing the travel expenses of participants.

In case of a team member tests positive prior travel:

- Proof of a positive Covid-19 test in English must be provided for each individual who cannot travel.
- Without proof of a positive Covid-19 test in English, a refund will not be possible.

5 Transportation

Transportation will be provided free of charge to all athletes and team officials from/to Tbilisi International Airport, to the official competition hotel (Hualing Tbilisi) on the official arrival and departures days.

Distance between Tbilisi international Airport and competition hotel (Hualing Tbilisi) is 10 km. Driving by bus or car needs 15-20 minutes.

6 Visa

Visas will be issued to all competing athletes and registered team officials upon arrival to Tbilisi International Airport. Visa forms must be completed and sent to the LOC by no later than 5 April.

Visa invitation letters will be sent to teams and these must be printed and brought with each individual team member during transit to Tbilisi International Airport in order to be issued a visa upon arrival. You can check information on the following link: <https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/HtmlPage/Html/View?id=956&lang=Eng>

7 Competition Information

7.1 Preliminary Competition Programme

The Provisional timetable and events programme will be provided after the final entries by name deadline. The competition schedule will remain subject to change until the close of the technical meeting.

7.2 Maximum Number of Entries per Event

7.2.1 Individual Event

The maximum number of **Senior** individual entries per NPC/NF across all senior bodyweight categories will be:

- Female Athletes: Twenty (20)

- Male Athletes: Twenty (20)

There must not be more than two (2) senior athletes from any one country in the same bodyweight category*

Note: The maximum number of senior individual entries for the **competition host NPC only**, is sixty (60) athletes (Female: 30 and Male: 30) across all senior bodyweight categories. There must not be more than three (3) senior athletes from Championship host NPC in the same bodyweight category*

The maximum number of **Junior** individual entries per NPC/NF across all junior bodyweight categories will be:

- Female Athletes: Thirty (30)
- Male Athletes: Thirty (30)

There must not be more than three (3) junior athletes from any one country in the same bodyweight category

7.2.2 Individual Team Event

NPCs are permitted to enter only one (1) additional individual entry per bodyweight category if they wish to enter the Individual Team Event. The athlete entered that receives the lowest individual competition rank will have their individual result recognised for World, Regional and Paralympic ranking purposes only, but they will not be eligible to receive an individual event medal only a team event medal.

Team events will only exist in senior bodyweight categories, but the team may comprise of both senior and junior athletes, if such athletes compete in the same bodyweight category. To ensure the viability of team events, these athletes entered in the team event will not be permitted to change bodyweight categories during the Technical Meeting.

7.3 Viability of the Events

An individual event can be considered viable when the below minimum athlete numbers apply per bodyweight category:

- 1 Athlete: MQS rule when there is one (1) athlete in a single bodyweight category and they lift equal to or more than the respective Regional Championship MQS for that bodyweight category, as detailed in Appendix 7 of the WPPPO rules and regulations (Gold).
- Minus one rule (-1) when there are two athletes in a single bodyweight category (Gold)
- 3 or more Athletes: All medals will be awarded (Gold, Silver, Bronze)

An individual team event can be considered viable when two (2) complete teams entered within that individual bodyweight category. A team must consist of three (3) competing athletes from the same nation within that individual bodyweight category in that competition.

7.4 Medal Awards & Trophies

Medals will be awarded to the top three (3) placed junior and senior athletes per bodyweight category in accordance with the above viability of events. Medals in the Individual and Mixed Team events will be awarded to the top three (3) placed teams.

At this competition One (1) team trophy only will be awarded to just the highest placed team from all competing nations, using points from the top six (6) ranked athletes from the individual event in accordance with 16.6.4 of the Rules and Regulations from one (1) or both genders, and junior and senior athletes will both be considered.

7.5 Body Weight Category change

Bodyweight category changes will be permitted following the final entry deadline only during the technical meeting in line with article 11.3.9 of the WPPO rules and regulations. The bodyweight category that is signed off at the technical meeting is considered final, and no further changes will be allowed. Please note that to ensure the viability of teams, athletes that have entered a team event will not be permitted to change bodyweight categories after the final entry deadline.

7.6 Entries and Registration Process

In order to enter this competition all athletes must be registered and licensed for the 2020 competition season via the [SDMS Athlete Data Management System](#) by no later than the final entry deadline. Athletes do not require a Minimum Qualifying Standard (MQS) to enter the competition.

All athletes must be entered by their respective NPC/NF via the IPC Online Entry System by the final entry deadline in order to be accepted by World Para Powerlifting. Should you require assistance with entries please contact World Para Powerlifting: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org.

7.7 Late entries

Teams must contact the WPPO office if there is a late entry request. All respective information provided by the NPC/NF will be reviewed in consultation with the LOC on a 'case by case' basis and the entry may be accepted or rejected accordingly by WPPO only.

7.8 Replacements

The WPPO Office must be informed if any NPC/NF needs to make an athlete replacement. The replacement of athletes may be accepted due to injury or medical reasons. All respective supporting information regarding the replacement must be sent to the WPPO office and it will be reviewed on a 'case by case' basis and accepted or rejected accordingly by WPPO only.

7.9 Declaration of Participation

By completing and submitting your final sport entries via the IPC Online Entry System, NPCs are considered to have declared the participation of their athletes in the specified event/categories.

7.10 Results and Rankings

Only results of athletes who are licensed within the given timelines for results recognition and have a Review or Confirmed sport class status will be taken into consideration for inclusion in the official World and Regional ranking lists. The results will also be recognised on the Paralympic ranking list for only those athletes that have met all the published prerequisites to be on the Paralympic rankings.

7.11 Records

At this competition athletes are permitted to break records. Please refer to article 16.5 of the WPPPO rules and regulations to see the eligibility requirements for an athlete to break a record.

8 General Information

8.1 IPC Membership

The Organising Committee will only accept entry forms submitted by the NPC / NPF in good standing with the IPC. Furthermore, only those entry forms submitted by the NPC President, Secretary General or authorized person will be processed. For further information on the IPC's membership policies or to address general membership issues, please contact the World Para Powerlifting office.

8.2 World Para Powerlifting Rules & Regulations

The current World Para Powerlifting Technical Rules & Regulations February 2019 (Version 3) will apply for this competition.

8.3 Anti-Doping

The Anti-Doping control / processes will be carried out in full accordance with the IPC Anti-Doping Code and the IPC Doping Control Agreement.

8.4 International Classification

Athletes who have never been classified and or have a designated sport class status of Review or Review 2020 or earlier will be required to undergo International Classification prior to the start of the competition. A detailed classification schedule will follow after the revision of the final entries by World Para Powerlifting. Athletes that are required to attend international classification must arrive no later than 03 February 2020.

8.5 Medical Information

The LOC will ensure the implementation of all necessary and appropriate on-site medical, emergency ambulance and first aid services during training days and the competition. For medical treatment no medical insurance will be provided to any participants. All participants are responsible for obtaining their own medical insurance (including Repatriation Coverage) and will be responsible for any medical expenses resulting from participation in the event. Each NPC must ensure that all members of their delegation are appropriately insured, including coverage for travel, liability, accidents and repatriation. It is advised that you contact your doctor prior to travel to ensure you have the appropriate and advised vaccines you require based on where you are traveling.

8.6 Extra Days

In case of early arrivals or late departures outside of the official arrival and departure dates, any additional needs for accommodation, transportation, meals and any other services must be organised and paid for by the respective NPC/NF for these additional dates.

9 Contact Details

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10 Host City: Tbilisi

Tbilisi is the capital and the largest city of Georgia, lying on the banks of the Kura River with a population of approximately 1.5 million people. Tbilisi was founded in the 5th century AD by Vakhtang I of Iberia, and since then has served as the capital of various Georgian kingdoms and republics. Between 1801 and 1917, then part of the Russian Empire, Tiflis was the seat of the Imperial Viceroy, governing both Southern and Northern Caucasus.



Because of its location on the crossroads between Europe and Asia, and its proximity to the lucrative Silk Road, throughout history Tbilisi was a point of contention among various global powers.

The city's location to this day ensures its position as an important transit route for energy and trade projects. Tbilisi's history is reflected in its architecture, which is a mix of medieval, neoclassical, Beaux Arts, Art Nouveau, Stalinist and the Modern structures.

Historically, Tbilisi has been home to people of multiple cultural, ethnic, and religious backgrounds, though it is overwhelmingly Eastern Orthodox Christian. Its notable tourist destinations include cathedrals Sameba and Sioni, Freedom Square, Rustaveli Avenue and Agmashenebeli Avenue, medieval Narikala Fortress, the pseudo-Moorish Opera Theater, and the Georgian National Museum.

The climate in Tbilisi mostly ranges from 20 to 32 °C (68 to 90 °F) in the summer and 7 to -1 °C (45 to 30 °F) in the winter. Spring is the best session to visit Georgia.

