Tbilisi 2021 World Para Powerlifting Championships

Competition Invitation Package

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1 General Information

1.1 IPC Membership
The Organising Committee will only accept entries submitted by the NPC / NF in good standing with the IPC. Furthermore, only those entries submitted by the NPC President, Secretary General or authorised 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 (WPPO) office: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org

1.2 World Para Powerlifting Rules & Regulations
The most current World Para Powerlifting Technical Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website alongside the World Para Powerlifting Qualification Pathway 2021-2024 will apply for this competition.

1.3 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, further details can be found on the WPPO website: www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/rules-and-regulations/anti-doping

1.4 International Classification
The most current World Para Powerlifting Classification Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website will apply for this competition. All athletes who have a designated sport class status of New, Review, Review 2021 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 WPPO.

1.5 Medical Information
The LOC will ensure the implementation of all necessary and appropriate on-site medical, emergency ambulance and first aid services throughout the Championships.

For medical treatment, no medical insurances will be provided to any participant during the Championships. 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 these Championships.

1.6 Participant Insurance

Each respective NPC is fully responsible to ensure that all members of their delegation are appropriately insured, including coverage for travel, medical, liability, accidents and repatriation. Each NPC will need to provide evidence of appropriate insurance coverage for their full delegation by no later than 10 November 2021.

2 Championships Information

2.1 Championships Dates

The dates for the Tbilisi 2021 WPPO Championships are as follows:

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<td>6th December</td>
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<td>Mixed Team &amp; Closing Ceremony</td>
<td>6th December</td>
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<td>Teams Departures</td>
<td>6th &amp; 7th December</td>
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2.2 Entries and Registration Process

In order for athlete entries to be accepted, they must meet the below criteria and deadlines.
2.2.1 Athlete Eligibility

- Be fully registered on the IPC Sport Data Management System (SDMS) with the correct documentation (IPC Eligibility Form and Medical Diagnostic Form) completed fully, signed and uploaded to the athlete profile;
- Have an active license for the 2021 Summer Competition Season;
- Be a minimum of 15 years of age by the 31 December 2021;
- Have an international classification status of New, Review, Review + Fixed Date or Confirmed;

**NOTE:** There is no required minimum qualifying standard (MQS) to enter the Tbilisi 2021 WPPO Championships.

2.2.2 Entries

All athletes must be entered online via the [IPC online entries system](#) in accordance with the entry deadlines by their respective NPCs or authorised National Federation/Organisation.

By completing and submitting sport entries, NPCs are considered to have officially declared the participation of their athletes in the specified events/categories and a participation fee invoice will be automatically generated based upon the total number of athletes and staff submitted.

2.2.3 Final Entries

All final entries (by name and bodyweight category) must be completed by **15 October 2021**. Please note that after this deadline no changes to the final entries and or final participation fee invoice will be accepted unless under exceptional circumstances. Please note that any decisions concerning this matter will be made by WPPO and are not open for further contest or appeal by any other organisation or body. Changes of bodyweight category after **15 October 2021 will be only possible during the Technical Meeting.**

2.2.4 Championships Participation Fee

The Championships participation fee invoice will be automatically generated via the IPC online entry system following the completion and submission of a team’s entry by number. All payments must be completed via bank transfer or paid online via credit card by no later than
10 November 2021 to the account detailed below. Please note that cash payments will not be accepted without prior approval from WPPO. Should you have any enquiries concerning your Championships participation fee invoice and or payment please contact the WPPO office: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org before the payment deadline.

Please transfer the full invoice amount without any deductions to the following bank account and identify your payment by stating the invoice number in the reference field. Please note that the payers to bear all bank charges to ensure that the IPC receives the complete amount. The invoice will not be considered as settled if the IPC receives less than the complete amount.

- **Account Name:** IPC, Adenauerallee 212-214, D-53113 Bonn, Germany
- **Bank Deutsche:** Bank AG, D-53113 Bonn, Germany
- **Branch No:** 414
- **SWIFT Address:** DEUT DE DK 380
- **IBAN:** DE20 3807 0059 0029 0122 20

2.2.4.1 **Championships**

The participation fee for participants attending just the Tbilisi 2021 WPPO Championships is **550 EUR per person** (athletes and team officials).

2.2.5 **Late Entries**

The WPPO Office must be informed about the request for any late entries. All respective information must be provided showing the reason why the entry deadline could not be met and all requests will be reviewed on a ‘case by case’ basis and may be accepted or rejected at the sole discretion of WPPO.

2.2.6 **Replacements**

The WPPO Office must be informed about any requests for athlete replacements. Replacements of athletes may be considered for any exceptional circumstances and all supporting documentation/evidence must be submitted alongside the request. All requests will be reviewed on a ‘case by case’ basis and may be accepted or rejected at the sole discretion of WPPO.
2.2.7 Entry Changes

Bodyweight categories will apply as per the current World Para Powerlifting Rules and Regulations. Following the final entry deadline, in accordance with the rules and regulations, athletes will have the opportunity to change bodyweight categories during the technical meeting only, either up or down one (1) bodyweight category only from the category nominated at the time of the final entry deadline at a cost of 100 EUR per change. The bodyweight category signed off at the technical meeting is considered final and no further changes will be allowed.

2.3 Entry and General Competition Deadlines

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<td>30 October 2021</td>
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<td>Championships Participation Fee Deadline</td>
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2.4 Competition Schedule

The preliminary and final Championships competition schedule will be provided in accordance with the below:
2.5 Maximum number of entries per event per NPC

2.5.1 Championships

2.5.1.1 Individual Event

The maximum number of 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. Junior athletes are permitted to compete in the Championships but will be regarded as senior athletes and included within the above maximum number of entries.

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

2.5.1.2 Mixed Team Event

NPCs that wish to enter the mixed team event are permitted to enter a maximum of three (3) teams. Teams must consist of three (3) athletes from the same nation, and there must be a minimum of one (1) female athlete, all three (3) athletes that comprise the team may be from different bodyweight categories. NPCs that wish to enter one or more teams into the Mixed Team Event must register them in the SDMS entries no later than the final entry by number deadline 10 September 2021.

2.6 Viability of Events

2.6.1.1 Individual Event

An individual event can be considered viable when the below minimum athlete numbers apply per bodyweight category.
2.6.1.2 Mixed Team Event

A mixed team event can be considered viable when there is a minimum of four (4) competing teams, three (3) of which may be from the same nation. Teams must consist of three (3) athletes from the same nation, and there must be a minimum of one (1) female athlete. Each of the three (3) athletes that comprise a team may be from different bodyweight categories and nations are permitted to enter a maximum of three (3) teams in a mixed team event.

2.7 Medal Awards

In accordance with the above event viability, medal awards will be awarded the top three (3) athletes in the individual event per bodyweight category, top three (3) teams in the individual team event per bodyweight category and top three (3) teams in the mixed team event as below:

- 1\textsuperscript{st} Place = Gold Medal
- 2\textsuperscript{nd} Place = Silver Medal
- 3\textsuperscript{rd} Place = Bronze Medal

2.8 Results

Only results of athletes who have an active license for the 2021 Summer Competition Season within the given timelines for results recognition and have a sport class status of Review, Review 2022 or later or Confirmed will be taken into consideration.

No hard copy (printing) results per NPC will be distributed as you will be able to download and check the Results on the website www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/results.

After the close of the competition the official competition results book(s) will be compiled and it will be shared via email with competing teams and uploaded to the competition website within one (1) week of the close of the competition.

2.9 Rankings

All recognised results in accordance with the above will also be updated in the official WPPO 2021 World and Regional ranking lists.
2.10 Records

It will be permitted for athletes to break records at the Championships in accordance with the WPPO Technical Rules and Regulations.

3 Championships Logistics

All Championships logistics concerning accommodation, meals and transport the relevant booking procedures, payment process and cancellation policy will be shared in the Championships Accommodation*, Transportation and Visa Guidelines. We would like to confirm that the accommodation costs will be the same as the 2021 Tbilisi World Cup as below:

- **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

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

3.1 Further Information

For further information and updates about the Tbilisi 2021 WPPO Championships please visit WPPO website: [www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/events](http://www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/events).

4 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 125 USD

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