

Invitation Package



Dubai 2023 World Para Powerlifting Championships

14th - 31st August

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**Dear National Paralympic Committees,
Dear National Federations,**

The World Para Powerlifting World Championships, unleash the return of world class sporting activity for the year 2023 to be a renewed from Dubai, United Arab Emirates, for world athletes to achieve their goals.

The challenge is one of the characteristics of the people of the Emirates, and people of determination are an important and complementary part of this framework, and by this they prove to the world that the impossible does not exist here, so no pandemic, problem or barrier can stand in front of our determination to achieve the desired future.

To all world champions, we say welcome to the homeland of challenge and in the source of happiness and in the space of the impossible. Welcome again and again to Dubai and with new hope and renewed energy.

The UAE salutes you, and Dubai welcomes you, and the Dubai Club for People of Determination opens its stadiums for your concerns, which have no limits. Welcome to creativity ... to convergence ... to love.



**Thani Juma Berregad
LOC - President
Dubai Club for the People of Determination**

The World Para Powerlifting World Championships, for People of Determination 2023 carries a lot of innovation and renewal, and we know very well that there is a challenge in organizing these Championships in this exceptional year, in which the world is witnessing the pandemic of the Coronavirus disease (Covid-19).

Our country only accepts to move forward, and because our wise leadership instilled innovation and challenge in us, we quote from them their inspiring words that motivate us to develop and innovate. The directives of the sponsor of these championships, His Highness Sheikh / Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the Dubai Executive Council, were clear to all of us since the first version of the need for development and innovation, as it was to support His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Dubai Sports Council The positive impact on continuing to organize Championships, despite the challenges. The World Para Powerlifting World Championships for People of Determination will be an icon of global Paralympic sports and to reach the world through the Dubai Gate. In Dubai, different civilizations meet to blend into one harmonious fabric that reflects the extent of harmony and rapprochement between peoples. Welcome all to your second country and among your brothers...



Majid Al- Usaimi
LOC – General Manager
Dubai Club for the People of Determination

1. General Information

1.1. IPC Membership

The Organizing 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 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 (WPPO) office: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org

1.2. World Para Powerlifting Rules and Regulations

The most current [WPPO Rules & Regulations](#) published upon the WPPO website alongside the [WPPO Qualification Pathway 2024-2020](#) 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: <https://www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/antidoping>

1.4. Classification

The most current [WPPO 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 2023 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 provide "on-site" emergency medical care ambulance, first aid, and physiotherapeutic services throughout the Championships for all accredited

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, Covid 19 and repatriation. Each NPC will need to provide evidence of appropriate insurance coverage for their full delegation by no later than **10 July 2023**.

2. World Championships Information

2.1. Dubai 2023 World Para Powerlifting Championships dates

Teams Arrival dates	16,17,18 August 2023
Raise the Bar!	18-19 August 2023
International Classification	19-20 August 2023
Technical Meeting	20 August 2023
Opening Ceremony	21 August 2023
Competition dates Junior	22 August 2023
Competition dates Senior	23-30 August 2023
Closing Ceremony	30 August 2023
Teams Departures	31 August 2023

2.2. Preliminary 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.

2.3. Number of entries per event per NPC

2.3.1. Individual Event

In accordance with the most current [WPPO Rules & Regulations](#) published upon the WPPO website.

2.3.2. Team Events (Gender and Mixed)

In accordance with the most current [WPPO Rules & Regulations](#) published upon the WPPO website.

2.4. Individual Event Category Viability

A medal Event will be considered viable when the below minimum Athlete numbers apply per Bodyweight Category:

- One (1) Athlete: When there is one (1) Athlete in a single Bodyweight Category, they must lift equal to or more than the respective level MQS for that Bodyweight Category.
- Two (2) Athletes: When there are two (2) Athletes in a single Bodyweight Category, the Event is viable for 2 Medals (Gold and Silver).
- Three (3) or more Athletes: When there are three (3) or more Athletes in a single Bodyweight Category, the Event is viable as normal.

MQS weights can be found in [Appendix 10](#).

2.5. Entries and Registration Process

In order for athlete entries to be accepted, they must meet the following criteria and deadlines:

2.5.1. Athlete Eligibility

Be full registered on the [IPC Sport Management System \(SDMS\)](#) with the correct documentation ([IPC Athlete Eligibility Agreement](#) and [Medical Diagnostic Form](#)) completed fully, signed, and uploaded to the athlete profile :

- Have an active license for the 2023 Season;
- Be a minimum of 15 year of age by 31 December 2023;
- Have an international classification status of New, Review, Review + Fixed Date or

2.5.2. Entries and Registration Process

- All competition entries and accreditation must be completed via the **IPC SDMS Online Entry System** by the entry deadlines displayed below.

Visa invitations, accommodation applications and travel information must be submitted via the **LOC WCH Portal** by no later than **10 July 2023**.

- NOTE: There is no required minimum qualifying standard (MQS) to enter the Dubai 2023 WPPO Championships.

2.5.3. Entries

All athletes must be entered online via the **IPC SDMS Online Entry 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.

2.5.4. Final Entries

By completing and submitting sport entries on the IPC SDMS, NPCs are considered to have officially declared the participation of their athletes and team members, not reimbursement for withdrawals of any athlete and /or team members will be considered after the entries by name is completed **1 July 2023**. Please note that after this deadline no changes to the 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 organization or body.

2.5.6. Championships Participation Fee Payment

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 22nd July 2023.** 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 **(the payers need to bear all bank charges to ensure that the IPC receives the complete amount.)** to the following bank account and identify your payment by stating the invoice number in the reference field. 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

2.5.7. Bodyweight Category Changes

After 1st July 2023 only one (1) change per Athlete is accepted and must be done via the **Entry Verification System**. A fee of one hundred Euro (€100) will be charged for each requested change and must be paid immediately to WPPO via Paypal during the allocated time to complete the entry verification process for the change to be accepted. The new Bodyweight Category is accepted only upon payment and is considered final.

2.5.8. Late entries

Team 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/rejected accordingly by WPPO.

2.5.9. Replacements

The WPPO office must be informed if an NPC/NF needs to make a 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 with the [Medical Withdrawal Request Form](#) and will be reviewed on a 'case by case' bases and accepted/rejected accordingly by WPPO.

2.5.10. World Championships Deadlines

Entry by Number and Bodyweight Category Opens	22 March 2023
Entry by Number and BW category Close	22 May 2023
Entry by Name Opens	23 May 2023
Entry by Name Close	1 July 2023
Accreditation System Opens	2 July 2023
Final Deadline to submitted:	
- Visa invitation form	
- Accommodation form	10th July 2023
- Travel Information form	
Accreditation System Close	15 July 2023
Final Deadline for Full Accommodation Payment to LOC	15th July 2023
Final Deadline for Full Entry Fee Payment to WPPO/IPC	22nd July 2023

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

2.6. Random Weigh-in

According to the WPPO Rules and Regulations Random Weigh-ins of the Athletes may take place in the day of the Event in advance of the warm-up for the specific Bodyweight Category at the discretion of WPPO. Should an Athlete weigh outside of a percentage of their specific Bodyweight Category they will be disqualified (DSQ) from the Event. The percentage is set to 3% of the specific Bodyweight Category.

2.7. Lift Challenge Cards

Lift Challenge cards can be purchased on the [WPPO Competition Portal](#) via Paypal from 3 weeks prior the start of World Championships (1 August 2023) until the 1st competition day (21 August 2023).

2.8. Results

Only results of athletes who have active license for the 2023 Season within the given timelines for results recognition and have a sport class status of Review, Review 2023 or later or confirmed will be taken into consideration.

No hard copy (printing) results will be distributed as it will be able to download and check the [Live Results](#) upon the WPPO website.

After the close of the competition the official competition results book(s) will be compiled and it will be posted on the [WPPO Competition Portal](#) and uploaded to the competition [Results](#) webpage.

2.9. Rankings

All recognized results in accordance with the above will also be updated on WPPO website in the official [WPPO Ranking Lists](#). The results of new athletes and athletes meeting the Qualification pathway requirements will be included in the Preliminary Paralympic Ranking List.

2.10. Records

It will be permitted for athletes to break records in accordance with the most current WPPO Technical Rules and Regulations and at the end of the Championships will be published upon the [WPPO Records](#) webpage.

3. COVID-19

Dubai Club is working closely with the local authorities and our main goal is to make a safe and enjoyable competition. Dubai 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 48 hours of departure, at the cost of the NPC. And additional Covid Testing in Dubai covered by the LOC PCR Test on arrival, social distancing, use of face coverings and any other elements of the Event Covid Plan that the LOC puts in place.

Any additional PCR test will be covered by the respective NPC and will take place at the hotel (TBC). For more info, the UAE website: www.emirates.com/English/help/covid-19/

4. Accommodation

The Al Bustan Residence is the official hotel of all athletes and team officials during the Championships. The hotel offers accommodation in wheelchair friendly single, twin, triple and quadruple rooms. Training & competition will take place at the main venue.

4.1. Official Hotel:

- Hotel Name: Al Bustan
- Address: Al Nahda Road, Al Twar, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Website: www.al-bustan.com

Note: All Accommodation booking have to be done through the LOC only via their [LOC WCH Accommodation Portal](#)

4.2. Type and cost of the room:

Type of Room	Cost in USD
Single	\$ 210 per night per room
Double	\$ 400 per night per room
Triple	\$ 590 per night per room
Quadruple	\$ 790 per night per room

Note: All room rate mention above included VAT

For any queries related to Accommodation registration, please contact us via msaadeldin@dcd.org.ae

4.3. Check-in / Out Times:

The check-in time at the official hotel is from arrival time and the check-out time is until latest 4pm.

Teams who arrive before midnight when their check-in is the following day will have to pay for an extra night as well as those arriving before 6am.

Teams will get their meals according to the below:

- Breakfast in the Hotel: 10:30 – 0700
- Lunch in the Hotel: 15:00 – 12:30
- Dinner in the Hotel: 22:30 – 19:00

Teams that arrange and pay the accommodation fee for early check-in and/or a late check-out will have access to meals provided at the host hotel during the scheduled dining times.

4.4. Payment procedures

Full accommodation fees must be transferred to the following bank account, by no later than **15th of July 2023**. Please note that room bookings will only be reserved and allocated to teams when the accommodation payment has been received in full.

- For any change or cancelation before 10th of July 2023, no cancelation fee will be applicable.
- 50% of Payment will be refund if cancelation is made between 10th July to 14th July 2023
- No payment and or refund request will be accepted or changes after the deadline of 15th of July 2023.
- Upon request to send letter for payment on arrival, please do note that and extra processing fee of 5% will be applicable.
- If accommodation is requested after the final payment deadline, please note that availability in the official hotel cannot be guaranteed, and the prices may differ.
- All hotel booking form and payment transfer receipt to be send to : msaadeldin@dcd.org.ae

Account	Dubai Club for People of Determination
Bank Name	Dubai Islamic Bank
Branch Name	Dubai Main Branch
Account	001520726988901
Swift-Code	DUIBAEAD
IBAN	AE95 0240 0015 2072 6988 901

Any extra charges and/or fee that may apply to booked rooms other than accommodation (such as laundry, room service, long-distance call, minibar) are each NPC's responsibility. Any damage to the room and the hotel fixtures, fittings, and furnishings will be the responsibility of the NPC and will be charged accordingly.

4.5. Cancellation Policy

- Full payment due 15th of July 2023
- Cancellation: Full payment refunded before 10th of July 2023
- No payment refunded on or after 14th of July 2023.
- No cancellation participation, changes of dates, decrease of nights and / or number of reserved rooms are possible, with the exception if an athlete is injured or it has covid-19 prior departure).
- In case of a team member tests positive to Covid-19 prior travel:
 - Proof of a positive Covid-19 test in English must be provided for each individual who cannot travel before the event.
- In case of a country official travel ban related to Covid-19 prior travel:
 - Proof must be provided to the LOC before the start of the event

Just on those cases reimbursement of accommodation fees will be possible.

5. Transportation

Transportation will be provided free of charge to all athletes and team officials from/to the official competition airport, Dubai International Airport and the official hotel on the official arrival and departure days. Teams will be greeted by an LOC volunteer to help ensure they are delivered to the host hotel in a timely and safe manner. The distance between Dubai international Airport and the competition hotel driving by bus or car needs 25 minutes.

6. VISA

For those delegation members who require visas to enter the UAE please visit the [VISA website](#) to determine what type of visa is required. All NPC's that require a visa must complete the Visa Form and provide a passport copy of each individual delegation member and submit it to the LOC via the [LOC WCH Portal](#) or for support email to : aghobash@dcd.org.ae

To obtain your visa you must:

- Upload passport copy as (pdf, JPG, JPEG) format. And clear passport size picture.
- Passport should be valid at least for 6 months from the date of your departure.
- Mobile photos are not acceptable.
- Visa fees of (110) USD.

Note: Residents of the following countries have to submit a copy of their National ID: Iraq, Yemen, Iran, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Tunisia.

6. Medical Information

7 Medical Information

The LOC will provide “on-site” emergency medical care ambulance, first aid, and physiotherapeutic services throughout the Championships for all accredited persons. Any costs incurred for any other medical care must be paid by the patient or their NPCs.

7.1 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, Covid 19 and repatriation. Each NPC will need to provide evidence of appropriate insurance coverage for their full delegation by no later than **10 July 2023**.

7.2 Designated medical hospital

Rashid hospital is the designated medical hospital which is located 15 minutes from competition venue “Dubai club for people of determination.”

7.3 Venue medical center

Will be in Dubai club for people of determination competition stadium

- Period: 14th to 31st July 2023
- Timing: 8:30 to 22:00 (emergency 24 H)

7.4 Official Hotel

- 24H emergency on call doctor (contact help desk)
- Local Emergency Numbers is:
- Police: 999 / Ambulance: 998 / Fire: 997

7.5 OTHER MEDICAL MATTERS

- Team doctors: are allowed to practice on their national team and all prescriptions and investigations must be arranged through the LOC medical team.
- Importation of Medicines: The head doctor accompanying a team must provide a list of the medicines the team is bringing into UAE, including dosages and quantities. The list will constitute a statement on behalf of the Member Federation which will be retained by WPPO 2023 Medical Services and will be shared with the UAE Dubai Health Authority or another government body if requested. A template form will be sent soon to NPCs.
- Distribution of Ice: Ice will be provided at the competition and training venues.
- Players under treatment by prohibited medicine: in UAE such as (marijuana) they should provide medical report with medical prescription at the airport (Dubai customs if they requested)
- Importation of medical equipment: A template form will be sent to NPCs.

For Any matters related to medical please email : ykabani@dcd.org.ae

8. About Dubai

Dubai is located on the Eastern coast of the Arabian Peninsula, in the south west corner of the Arabian Gulf. It is extremely well known for its warm hospitality and rich cultural heritage, and the Emirati people are welcoming and generous in their approach to visitors. With year-round sunshine, intriguing deserts, beautiful beaches, luxurious hotels and shopping malls, fascinating heritage attractions and a thriving business community, Dubai receives millions of leisure and business visitors each year from around the world.

8.1 Dubai Rulers:

Since 1833 the reigning Al Maktoum family have ruled Dubai. Under their wise and progressive leadership

Dubai has prospered and it is now the business and tourism hub for a region.

8.2 Dubai History:

Saruq Al-Hadid site is considered one of the most important archaeological discoveries in Dubai and the region, as it offers much of the UAE old past, especially during the Iron and Bronze Ages , which confirms that the UAE civilization extends to 5 thousand years.

9. General information:

9.1 Weather:

Dubai has a tropical desert climate because of its location within the Northern desert belt. Summers are extremely hot and humid, with an average high around 41 °C (106 °F) and overnight lows around 30 °C (86 °F). Most days are sunny throughout the year. Winters are warm and short with an average high of 23 °C (73 °F) and overnight lows of 14 °C (57 °F). Precipitation, however, has been increasing in the last few decades with accumulated rain reaching 150 mm (5.91 in) per year. The weather in Dubai can bring short and irregular rainfall as is typical for the Middle East. Most of the rainfall occurs in the December to March period. The weather between December and March remains warm and is the most comfortable climatic conditions of the year.

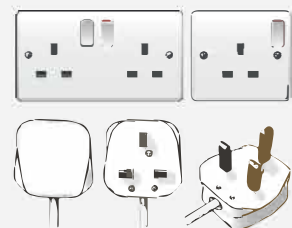
9.2 Currency:

The local currency is the dirham, which is pegged at AED 3.67 to 1 US dollar. Dubai is tolerant and cosmopolitan, and all visitors are welcome. However, Islam is a way of life in the city, and therefore tourists

should adopt a certain level of cultural and religious sensitivity for the duration of their stay.

9.3 Electricity and power sockets in the UAE:

In the United Arab Emirates, the standard voltage is 220-240 V. The standard frequency is 50 Hz. The power sockets that are used are of type G. Find pictures of these power sockets and corresponding plugs.



9.4 Transportation in Dubai:

Dubai is one of the fastest growing cities in today's world, making the provision of high quality infrastructure facilities absolutely imperative, and since providing an advanced transport network for the people of Dubai has been high on the government's agenda, which is evident from its initiatives to enhance the public transport facilities and improve roads across the emirate to make travel safer and smoother, the Roads and Transport Authority (RTA) was formed by the decree number 17 for the year 2005, The tourist can enjoy his staying in Dubai with varieties of transportation," Roads, Taxis, Metro, Bus, Trams, Ports and water travel, Air travel and see".

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