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# IPF Qualification guideline for the World Games 2022

The following qualification guidelines have been established for the IWGA World Games (WG 2022) that will be held in Birmingham/Alabama, USA. The procedures are as follows:

1. The 2021 IPF Open World Powerlifting Championships, held from 8-14 November 2021 in Stavanger/Norway, will be the official qualifying competition for the 2022 World Games.
2. The established weight categories for the WG 2022 will be as follows:
  - Men's Lightweight (59.00kg and 66.00kg)
  - Men's Middleweight (74.00kg and 83.00kg)
  - Men's Heavyweight (93.00kg and 105.00kg)
  - Men's Super-Heavyweight (120.00kg and 120.00+kg)
  
  - Women's Lightweight (47.00kg and 52.00kg)
  - Women's Middleweight (57.00kg and 63.00kg)
  - Women's Heavyweight (69.00kg and 76.00kg)
  - Women's Super-heavyweight (84.00kg and 84.00+kg)
3. Each of the eight (8) IWGA weight classes will contain twelve (12) athletes each, with the total number not to exceed ninety six (96) lifters (48 Men and 48 Women).



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4. The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers, in each IPF weight class, at the 2021 IPF World Championships, will qualify automatically for the 2022 World Games, with the EXCEPTION of the following circumstances:
    - a. No more than two (2) lifters, per country, can be selected for each of the IWGA weight category listed above (i.e. Men's Middleweight 74.00 – 83.00).
    - b. In circumstances of a tie between two (2) lifters, the athlete with the highest IPF Points Score will determine the higher placing. As an example, if the Country "A" has lifters which finish 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 74.00kg weight class and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 83.00kg weight class, the lifter from Country "A", which placed second, with the higher IPF Points Score, will be awarded the World Games slot. The third lifter from Country "A" will be placed onto the reserve list; however, the reserve lifter from Country "A" can only be selected, if one of the top two (2) Country "A" lifters in the IWGA weight category (74.00kg – 83.00kg) drops out.
  5. Each Regional Federation shall receive two (2) "Regional" slots. One (1) slot for men and one (1) for women. The established "Regional" slots, will be selected at each of the six (6) regional championships in 2021/22.
  6. The host country of USA will receive a maximum of four (4) wild card slots.
    - a. The USA men will receive two of the wild card slots and the USA women shall receive two (2) slots. The slots must be in different weight categories.
    - b. The wild card lifters must lift in a category, where there are no qualified lifters from the host country which qualified at the 2021 IPF World Open Powerlifting Championships or Regional Championships in 2021/22.
    - c. The total number of lifters for the host country cannot exceed a total of eight (8) lifters.



- d. If the host country of USA has more than four (4) lifters qualified via the official qualifying event, the 2021 IPF World Open Powerlifting Championships, the number of wild cards will be automatically reduced. As an example, if the host country qualifies five (5) lifters at the 2021 IPF World Open Powerlifting Championship, they will receive only three (3) wild card slots.
  - e. The quota of wild card lifters cannot be extended as described in number 6, section c. For example, if the host country qualifies six (6) male lifters and no female lifters at the 2021 IPF World Open Powerlifting Championships, the two (2) wild card slot, must be used for the women's categories.
7. The remaining open slots will be filled based on each athletes IPF Points Score from the 2021 IPF Open World Powerlifting Championships.
  8. Each weight class, will have a list of five (5) reserve lifters, in each IWGA weight category, and the reserve slots will be determined by the IPF Points coefficient from the 2021 IPF Open World Powerlifting Championships.