



AUSTRALIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION
ATHLETE NOMINATION POLICY
BIRMINGHAM 2022 COMMONWEALTH GAMES
28TH JULY – 8TH AUGUST 2022

1. OBJECTIVE

To nominate Athletes who can represent Australia with distinction at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.

2. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for nomination to CGA for selection in the team for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, Athletes must meet the following requirements at the time of nomination:

- 2.1. Must be an Australian citizen holding a valid Australian passport;
- 2.2. Must have been born on or before 31 December 2009;
- 2.3. In the case of multiple citizenship, must be eligible to represent Australia in International Weightlifting Federation (IWF) events;
- 2.4. Must be a current member of the Australian Weightlifting Federation (AWF) in good standing, not in dispute or financial debt with the AWF or an AWF State Member or other affiliated body or partner;
- 2.5. Must not be serving a period of suspension imposed by the AWF or an AWF State Member Association or other body whose authority is recognised by the AWF.
- 2.6. Must be registered in the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Anti-Doping Administration and Management System (ADAMS) and be up to date with their Athlete Whereabouts Information;
- 2.7. Must have signed the CGA 2022 Team Membership Agreement;
- 2.8. Must not have breached the CGA Anti-Doping By-law unless the athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and completed the sanction imposed;
- 2.9. Must not by their actions or omissions have brought themselves, the AWF, CGA or the Team into disrepute or censure; and
- 2.10. Must have achieved qualification via the 2022 Commonwealth Games Athlete Allocation System approved by the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) and International Weightlifting Federation (IWF).

3. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 3.1. The Weightlifting competition of the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games will be conducted in eight (8) bodyweight categories for men and eight (8) bodyweight categories for women, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per nation in any of the following bodyweight categories:

Men: 55kg, 61kg, 67kg, 73kg, 81kg, 96kg, 109kg, +109kg

Women: 49kg, 55kg, 59kg, 64kg, 71kg, 76kg, 87kg, +87kg

4. QUALIFICATION

To be nominated to CGA for selection athletes must:

- 4.1. Meet the eligibility requirements of the 2022 Commonwealth Games Athlete Allocation System approved by the CGF and IWF.
- 4.2. Be ranked in the final IWF Commonwealth Ranking List at 6th Place or higher or be otherwise considered by the AWF Selection Commission in its absolute discretion to possess the ability to achieve a podium result at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.
- 4.3. Demonstrate a “Competition Ready” fitness level by achieving a training performance that is at least 95% of their B2022 Qualifying Total not more than one month prior to nomination.

5. NOMINATION PROCESS

- 5.1. The selection by the AWF of athletes to nominate to CGA for selection to the Birmingham 2022 Team will be undertaken in the first instance by the AWF Selection Commission, comprised of Lyn Jones, Philip Maunder and Ian Moir.
- 5.2. The AWF Selection Commission will submit their selection recommendations to the AWF Board of Directors for endorsement.
- 5.3. The final nomination of athletes to CGA will be authorised by the AWF Board of Directors.
- 5.4. Only athletes who meet all the eligibility requirements in Section 2 and the qualification requirements in Section 4 can be considered for nomination by the AWF Selection Commission.
- 5.5. The AWF Selection Commission reserves the right not to nominate an athlete whose performance trajectory during the previous 12 months indicates that they can be reasonably expected to achieve a competition Total at the event which is significantly lower than their best Total in that period. When making such a determination the AWF Selection Commission may consider, without limitation, contributing factors such as: length of time in the sport, performance level already achieved, injuries and/or illness, disruption to training and competition programs due to COVID-19 restrictions.

6. TIMING OF NOMINATIONS

- 6.1. The AWF will nominate athletes for selection to CGA by 14 March 2022.

7. NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

- 7.1. Only athletes who have satisfied the requirements of the Policy will be eligible to be nominated.
- 7.2. The process of nominating athletes to CGA for selection to the Team is:
 - i. The AWF nominates eligible athletes to CGA by the declared date.
 - ii. The AWF confirms the Policy has been adhered to, that the athletes nominated are eligible to be selected and that there are no appeals pending on athletes nominated.
 - iii. CGA refers the athlete nominations to the CGA B2022 Selection Committee for consideration.
 - iv. CGA confirms the selection of athletes to be members of the Team.
 - v. CGA confirms in writing to the AWF the athletes selected in the Team.
 - vi. CGA confirms in writing to the athletes their selection to the Team.

8. NON COMPLIANCE

If an Athlete breaches any of the requirements of the Nomination and Selection criteria, CGA may suspend or terminate the Athlete’s selection to the Team or otherwise impose a sanction prescribed by the disciplining procedures set out in the CGA Team Membership Agreement.



9. APPEALS

- 9.1. An athlete who is eligible for nomination pursuant to the process and criteria set out in this policy and is not nominated, may appeal their non-nomination in accordance with the *CGA Nomination and Selection Appeals By-Law*.
- 9.2. Notice of appeal must be received by the AWF within twenty-four (24) hours of notification of non-nomination by the AWF.