

AUSTRALIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION ATHLETE SELECTION POLICY

2016 OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS – SENIOR TEAM 24 – 28 MAY 2016, SUVA - FIJI

1. OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 To gain 1 male and 1 female quota places for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games as per the IWF Qualification System; specifically:
 - 1.1.1. Senior Men’s Team to rank 1-5 in the Qualification Team Classification - Men
 - 1.1.2. Senior Women’s Team to rank 1-4 in the Qualification Team Classification – Women

2. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for selection to the Australian team for the 2016 Oceania Championships, athletes must meet the following requirements:

- 2.1. Australian citizen holding a valid Australian passport.
- 2.2. In the case of multiple citizenship not have represented another country within the past 12 months
- 2.3. Born before or during 2001
- 2.4. Current member of the AWF.
- 2.5. Registered in ADAMS and submitted accurate whereabouts information for the 2 month period before and during the event.

3. FUNDING

- 3.1. All selected athletes (8 men and 7 women) will receive 100 % funding.

4. QUALIFICATION

- 4.1. Only results achieved in AWF or IWF sanctioned competitions during the period 12 October 2015 to 20 March 2016 will be considered.
- 4.2. The AWF qualifying standards for the 2016 Oceania Senior Championships are AWF “Senior” Grade:

MEN	56	62	69	77	85	94	105	+105
	250	273	299	314	330	341	349	391
WOMEN	48	53	58	63	69	75	+75	
	169	183	197	206	221	230	252	

5. SELECTION PROCESS & CRITERIA

- 5.1. Only athletes that meet all eligibility requirements in Clause 2 will be considered for selection.
- 5.2. The number of athletes selected to travel to the Oceania Senior Championships will not exceed eight (8) men and seven (7) women. Up to two (2) non-travelling reserves may also be named.
- 5.3. A maximum of two (2) athletes per bodyweight category will be selected.

EVENT SPECIFIC CRITERIA

- 5.4. Athletes, who have achieved at minimum 100 % of the qualifying standard listed in 4.2 will be selected to the team
- 5.5. In the event that the number of athletes that have achieved 100 % of the qualifying standard exceeds eight (8) men and/or seven (7) women then athletes will be selected in rank order according to their best result achieved during the qualifying period as a percentage of the qualifying standard listed in 4.2
- 5.6. In the event that the number of athletes that have achieved 100 % of the qualifying standard is less than eight (8) men and/or seven (7) women then athletes that have achieved at minimum 85 % of the qualifying standard will be selected with consideration of the following:
 - 5.6.1. Primary criteria
 - % (rounded to the nearest whole number) of AWF Senior Standard achieved
 - Rio 2016 prospective team member status – % of Rio qualifying standard achieved, potential for Olympic Games nomination
 - Ability to maximise team points and contribute to event objectives
 - 5.6.2. Secondary criteria
 - Current form
 - Injury status
 - Performance trajectory over the past 2 years
 - 5.6.3. Tertiary criteria
 - Predicted ability to contribute to AWF Australia’s Winning Edge (AWE) objectives
 - Previous international competition performance record
- 5.7. The selection panel reserves the right to prioritise the selection of senior athletes in order to maximise the number of prospective Rio 2016 team members afforded the opportunity to compete in the final “Qualification Event”.

6. FITNESS REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1. All selected athletes and personal coaches of selected athletes must agree to report any information relating to training fitness, illness, bodyweight and/or other injuries which could affect their ability to engage in training or competition at full capacity
- 6.2. Where there is concern regarding the fitness, injury/illness status or bodyweight of a selected athlete then that athlete may be required to undergo a fitness test and/or medical examination in order to assess their ability to perform optimally at the event
- 6.3. In the event that an athlete fails to prove their fitness and is hence unable to perform at a level commensurate to that at which they were selected then the AWF reserves the right to deselect and/or replace that athlete

7. ATHLETE OBLIGATIONS

All selected athletes will be required to:

- 7.1. Sign a Team Member Declaration
- 7.2. Participate in any pre-event camps, training sessions or other activities as required
- 7.3. Adhere to the fitness requirements contained in clauses 6.1 and 6.2
- 7.4. Provide the High Performance Coordinator with training and bodyweight information as requested
- 7.5. Not announce their selection prior to the official team announcement



8. APPEALS

- 8.1. An athlete who is eligible for selection pursuant to the criteria set out in this policy but who fails to be selected may appeal against their non-selection in accordance with clause 6 of the *Australian Weightlifting Federation Athlete Selection Policy – General*.