



Entries and Eligibility

Athlete Eligibility:

The following sport specific entry regulations have been determined for Para powerlifting and are applicable to GC2018:

- Maximum three men and three women per CGA
- Maximum two athletes per CGA per medal event, based on World Para Powerlifting and Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) invitation

Eligibility standards for Para powerlifters include athlete qualification requirement, minimum age requirement, an active IPC Para Powerlifting Licence and have an international sports class status of Confirmed (C), Fixed Review Date (FRD) or Review (R).

Athletes must also have competed in at least one recognised IPC Para powerlifting competition between a compulsory period 1 September 2015 to 8 December 2017.

The IPC and CGF may consider any valid, personal, and/or extenuating circumstances for not being compliant with the requirements above. All decisions made by IPC and CGF are final, with no opportunity for protest or appeal.

General eligibility conditions:

To be eligible for CGA endorsement, an athlete must comply with the following general eligibility conditions:

- Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the CGF, or their respective Affiliated CGA or IF or under the World Anti-Doping Code.
- Complied with all applicable rules and regulations of the CGF, IF and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.
- Meet with the CGF's eligibility standards in accordance with the CGF Constitution.

Age requirements:

Athletes' age must be a minimum of 14, on or before 31 December 2018. Born on or before 31/12/2004.

Permitted athletes per CGA:

Maximum of six athletes across Para powerlifting events per CGA (three men and three women).

Maximum of two athletes per CGA per medal event, based on World Para Powerlifting and CGF Invitation.

CGF Eligibility:

Subject to Byelaw 17(2), as a condition of entry to compete in the Commonwealth Games, all competitors must be citizens or subjects of the Commonwealth country which enters them and must:

- Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the Federation, or their respective Affiliated CGA or IF or under the World Anti-Doping Code.
- Comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Federation, their respective IFs and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.



Subject to Byelaw 17(3), where a competitor was born in a Commonwealth country which has common citizenship/passport with other Commonwealth countries, the competitor may initially represent either the competitor's Commonwealth country of birth; or the Commonwealth country of birth of his or her father or mother who shares the same citizenship/passport.

After having represented one Commonwealth country at the Commonwealth Games, a competitor may not represent another Commonwealth country unless he or she receives approval of the Federation, the relevant IF and Affiliated CGAs of the two Commonwealth countries concerned. Applications under this byelaw must be submitted to the Executive Board at least 12 months prior to the commencement of the Games.

It is the responsibility of all Affiliated CGAs to ensure that their competitors are fully aware of, and comply with, the eligibility rules of the Federation.

The Executive Board shall have the power to waive the provisions of Byelaw 17 (1-3) at its discretion.

Qualification pathways:

A Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games qualification pathway was required for Para powerlifting.

Following the receipt of nominations from CGAs at the end of the qualification period (being 8 December 2017), IPC and CGF determined the number of entries to be allocated to CGAs by Athlete by Name in each medal event.

In making determinations on allocated slots, IPC Powerlifting and CGF considered factors including:

1. Overall IPC PO World ranking, where considered, adjusted to recognise a maximum of two athletes per CGA per event;
2. Only IPC PO recognised competitions will be accepted for the purpose of the IPC PO world ranking database (1 September 2015 to 8 December 2017);
3. In the case of Great Britain, Crown Dependencies and British Overseas Territories, results attained by British athletes at the IPC PO recognised competitions (i.e. competitions where athletes must compete for their IF affiliated-organisation) shall be extracted by the relevant CGA designation;
4. Field depth and competition strength;
5. Universality: Best endeavours will be made to ensure representation of at least four (4) CGF regions;
6. Widely and regularly practising national athletes;
7. Demonstrated availability of athletes to participate in the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games competition; and
8. Any other factor(s) considered relevant by IPC Powerlifting and CGF.