

# 2019 International Competition Overview

	Competition Name	Competition Date	Location	Qualification Period Starts	Qualification Period Ends	Olympic Qualification Event	Qualification Standards	Estimated Athlete Contribution
Priority Youth Events	IWF World Youth Championships	08-15/March 19	Las Vegas (USA)	14/09/2018	22/01/2019		1. Olympic pathway standard 2. Commonwealth pathway standard	1. Home Nation Funding 2. £750 Contribution
	European Youth Championships	05-14/September 19	Constanta (ROM)	05/03/2018	14/06/2019		1. Olympic pathway standard 2. Commonwealth pathway standard 3. Development Standard	1. Home Nation Funding 2. Home Nation Funding 3. £500 Contribution
Priority Junior Events	IWF Junior World Championships	01-08/June 19	Suva (FIJ)	01/12/2018	08/03/2019	Gold	1. Olympic pathway standard 2. Commonwealth pathway standard	1. Home Nation Funding 2. £1000 Contribution
	EWF European Junior & u23 Championships	07-15/July 19	Chisinau (MDA)	07/01/2019	19/04/2019	Silver	1. Olympic pathway standard 2. Commonwealth pathway standard 3. Development Standard	1. Home Nation Funding 2. Home Nation Funding 3. £500 Contribution
Priority Senior Events	European Championships	10-19/April 19	Batumi (GEO)	01/04/2018	28/01/2019	Gold	1. Tokyo 2020 Top 8 standard 2. Tokyo 2020 Minimum Standard	1. Self-Funding 2. Self-Funding
	IWF World Championships	16-25/September 19	Pattaya (THA)	16/03/2019	25/06/2019	Gold	TBC	Self-Funding
Other International Events	Las Vegas Open	08-15/March 19	Las Vegas (USA)	14/09/2018	22/01/2019	Bronze	1. Tokyo 2020 Top 8 standard 2. Tokyo 2020 Minimum Standard	1. Self-Funding 2. Self-Funding
	Commonwealth Championships	09-15/July 19	Apia (SAM)	09/01/2019	19/04/2019	TBC	TBC	Self-Funding
	IWF Grand Prix ODESUR CSLP	11-12/May 19	Lima (PER)	22/10/2018	22/01/2019	Silver	1. Tokyo 2020 Top 8 standard 2. Tokyo 2020 Minimum Standard	1. Self-Funding 2. Self-Funding

## FAQ

- Changes to Qualification Periods** – Over the last 12-months a number of changes to the international weightlifting calendar have forced changes to the qualification strategies and timelines. This document is provided as a guide to help you plan your training accordingly but please be aware that changes may be out of our control if international competitions change their dates or locations.
- Qualifying for competition** – Athletes must have achieved at least 1 of the relevant qualification standards within the qualification period outlined to be eligible for selection. If you have any questions about this process, please contact [stuart.martin@britishweightlifting.org](mailto:stuart.martin@britishweightlifting.org)

**3. Athlete Financial Contributions** - to increase the number of opportunities available for international competition experience for athletes who align to Olympic or Commonwealth standards, from January 2019 BWL has decided to introduce an athlete contribution to support travel & accommodation costs. The size of contributions depends on 3 factors

- i. Home Nation funding strategy
- ii. Athlete level
- iii. Location of Competition (contribution estimates below)
  - Europe £300-600
  - Asia - £600-1000
  - Americas - £600-1000
  - Oceania £1000-1500

We recommend that athletes plan to fund raise starting 6-9 months from the date of competition, to ensure they can achieve payment deadlines and give themselves the best possible opportunities to compete.

**4. Home Nation Funding** – Please be aware that each home nation has a different funding structure, we recommend you discuss this with the relevant home nation representative below;

- **Scotland** – [Colin Hannah](#)
- **Wales** – [Simon Roach](#)
- **Northern Ireland** – [Peter Stewart](#)
- **England** – [Stuart Martin](#)

**5. Priority/other Events** – BWL sends International Arena Coaches to at all Priority events. Where possible BWL look at the feasibility of sending coaches to other events if there is a high demand of greater than 4 athletes who have submitted applications of interest to compete.