British Weight Lifting (BWL)

PARIS 2024 Olympic Games Selection Policy

Preface

The Great Britain Weightlifting Team (“the Team”) for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games (“the Games”) will be nominated by British Weight Lifting (BWL) to the British Olympic Association (BOA) who will make the final selection. Nominations will be made in accordance with the regulations stated in the BOA-BWL Olympic Participation Agreement (OPA) and determined using the Olympic Games Selection Policy (“the Policy”) as laid out below.

BWL feels strongly that any decision to send teams to international competitions in-light of the challenges around the world must be continually reviewed on a case-by-case basis. BWL will continue to review guidance shared by the British Government, UK Sport, Public Health organisations across the UK and other key stakeholders to inform our understanding of the risks, challenges and restrictions across both the domestic and international landscape.

If at any stage BWL feel that the safety of athletes or staff could be at risk or insufficient information is available to inform our planning or decision making, then we reserve the right not to send a team to any international event with immediate notice.

Qualification Overview

In accordance with the IWF Qualification system found here, quota places are allocated to individual athletes by name from the highest recorded total gained from participation at any of the following IWF Olympic Qualification events highlighted below:

- IWF World Championships 2022 – Bogota (Colombia)
- EWF European Championships 2023 – Yerevan (Armenia)
- IWF Grand Prix 1 – Havana (Cuba)
- IWF World Championships 2023 – Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)
- IWF Grand Prix 2 – Doha (Qatar)
- EWF European Championships 2024 – Antalya (Turkey)
- IWF World Cup – Phuket (Thailand)

Only 3 quota places for male athletes and 3 quota places for female athletes are available to Great Britain. Should more than Three (3) male and/or Three (3) female athletes be eligible for selection at the end of the Paris 2024 qualification process, BWL will select which of these athletes will get the quota places based on this Policy.

Athletes must inform BWL by 17:00 on the 28th April 2023 of their intention to be considered for selection for the Games by completing and returning the application form in Appendix A.
Purpose

The Policy has been established to select the best athletes who can secure the highest possible placing in PARIS 2024 and, as such, has been based on the following premises:

- That athletes selected are those who show the greatest potential to secure the highest possible placing at the Paris 2024 games and have earned a quota spot during the qualification process.
- That BWL will focus efforts to qualify quota places through the Seven (7) Qualification events.
- All selected athletes must demonstrate appropriate fitness in the months leading up to the Games and must work with the BWL Head of Performance, BWL Coaching staff and nominated support staff in all matters designed to assess their fitness to compete to the best of their ability.

The above considerations are not the selection criteria but are included here merely as a guide to the general principles that have been followed in formulating this policy.

1. Eligibility

1.1. To be considered for selection under this Policy, an athlete must be eligible to represent Team GB under BOA and International Olympic Committee Rules (IOC) and other BWL requirements, including but not limited to:

1.1.1. Being a citizen of the United Kingdom and hold a valid British passport that will not expire for 6 months after the conclusion of the Games

1.1.2. Being a member of good standing of British Weight Lifting and/or its affiliated bodies and eligible to represent Great Britain in International Competitions under the rules of the International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)

1.1.3. Not being currently under:

1.1.3.1. disqualification, expulsion, or suspension by all or any of: BWL; the athlete’s respective National Federation; the IWF; the EWF, IOC and/or any other body competent and recognised by BWL; or disqualification, expulsion, or suspension under the World Anti-Doping Code.

1.1.4. Meeting the codes of conduct laid out by British Weight Lifting by signing the ‘Athlete agreement’

1.1.5. Having attended a ‘BWL Behaviours & Standards Framework’ induction and display appropriate behaviours at all competitions and training camps in-line with the ‘BWL Athlete agreement’.

1.1.6. Having expressed their intention to participate in the selection process to qualify for Paris 2024 by completing and returning the Application Form in Appendix A of this policy by 28th April 2023.

1.1.7. Being eligible to represent Great Britain at the Olympic Games under the rules of the IOC & IWF. This includes the requirement that all athletes must have been selected and participated in the two (2) Mandatory qualification events, plus three (3) out of the possible five (5) other Olympic qualification events below:

1.1.7.1. IWF World Championships 2022 – Bogota (Colombia)
1.1.7.2. EWF European Championships 2023 – Yerevan (Armenia)

1.1.7.3. IWF Grand Prix 1 – Havana (Cuba)

1.1.7.4. IWF World Championships 2023 – Riyadh (Saudi Arabia) – MANDATORY

1.1.7.5. IWF Grand Prix 2 – Doha (Qatar)

1.1.7.6. EWF European Championships 2024 – Antalya (Turkey)

1.1.7.7. IWF World Cup – Phuket (Thailand) – MANDATORY

1.1.8. Meeting the participation eligibility criteria by competing in any bodyweight category, however they must participate in at least one (1) qualification event for each of the bodyweight categories they wish to be considered for in order to appear on the IWF rankings for that category.

1.1.9. Participation for the purposes of the above means, at a minimum, attending, weighing-in and participating in the official introduction of athletes (as per IWF Technical and competition rules & Regulations – section 6.5 found here)

1.1.10. Being a participant in the DTP, NRTP or IRTP testing pools and part of the Adams whereabouts system and be registered on this as soon as the participant confirms their intention to seek nomination for no less than 3 months prior to every qualification event and the Olympic games.

1.1.11. Remaining compliant with the BWL and IWF Anti-Doping Controls and complete all necessary Anti-doping education required by the BOA, BWL and IWF including the WADA ADEL E-Learning course here no later than 28th April 2024.

1.1.12. Being born on or before 31 December 2009

1.1.13. Being awarded a quota place by name from the IWF

1.1.14. Complying with any other IOC and/or BOA eligibility requirements from time to time including (but not limited to) in respect of anti-doping and nationality requirements

1.1.15. Agreeing to the ‘Confirmation of fitness requirements’ (see clause 9 of this policy) and any other criteria set out in this selection policy, and signing the ‘BOA Team Members’ Agreement’

2. Selection – General Information

2.1. The number of quota places allocated through IWF Olympic qualifying events will dictate the number of places for the Team at the Games. There is a maximum of three (3) quota places for men, and three (3) quota places for women. If the number of British athletes who meet the selection criteria is greater than the maximum number of quota places per NOC, the Selection panel will submit the three (3) male and/or three (3) female athletes who, in their sole opinion, demonstrate the greatest potential to secure the highest possible placing (outlined later in this document). These athletes will then be nominated by BWL, the selection criteria outlined in this policy (section 5) will be used to identify the individuals who will be submitted to the BOA. The number of Athletes nominated to the BOA will be equal to the number of quota
places allocated to Great Britain provided the athletes have met the required selection criteria as outlined in this policy.

2.2. The Selection Panel

2.2.1. The panel shall consist of the following members:

1. Chair of the Performance Committee (Chairperson)
2. BWL Lead Performance Coach
3. 1 BWL Performance Coach
4. 1 Member of the British Athlete commission (impartial)
5. 1 Member of the Performance Advisory Group

Each member of the selection panel has 1 vote. Individuals can abstain from voting; in the event of a tie the chair will get the casting vote. Other members of BWL may be in attendance to supply background information and technical or medical information but in a non-voting capacity.

2.2.2. The BOA Sport Engagement Manager, BWL Head of performance and relevant BWL Sport Science & Medical Staff will also be in attendance in an observatory, non-voting capacity to ensure that the provisions of this policy are properly adhered to.

2.2.3. Any member of the selection panel that has a conflict of interest, including, but not limited to, an athlete, or a coach, will declare a conflict of interest, remove him/herself and not seek to influence others regarding the discussions and voting.

2.3. Athlete nomination by BWL to the BOA will be conditional on satisfying the eligibility criteria as defined in clause “1. Eligibility” above and demonstrating continued form and fitness as described in clause 6.

2.4. Regardless of any other provision, no athlete will be nominated to the BOA if at the time of nomination, they are injured or unfit, unless they can satisfy the selection panel that they will be able to compete in the Olympic Games to the best of their ability, and BWL in these circumstances will be entitled to impose conditions upon their selection.

3. BWL Selection Events

Due to the Olympic Qualification process and the efforts to qualify the maximum number of quota places possible the following competitions will be selection events:

3.1. Key selection events

3.1.1. IWF World Championships 2023 – Riyadh (Saudi Arabia) – MANDATORY
3.1.2. IWF World Cup – Phuket (Thailand) - MANDATORY

In accordance with clause 1.1.7, if an athlete is selected for any of the international events above, to be eligible for selection for Paris 2024 they must accept and participate in-line with 1.1.9 of this policy.

Athletes who do not participate in one (1) of the first 3 qualification events or both of the Mandatory events (4 & 5)
will be ineligible in accordance with the IWF Qualification system (Section C.3.1) found here.

In the event an athlete is unable or unfit to attend qualification event 4 & 5 they will only remain eligible in extremely extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the IWF and in accordance with the IWF Qualification system (Section C.3.1.a) found here.

4. BWL Olympic Qualification minimum standards

To be eligible for selection the totals given below in 4.1 and 4.2 have to be achieved at one of the selection events given in 3.1 respectively.

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5. Selection criteria

The BWL selection panel will consider the following criteria in determining which athletes shall be nominated for selection to the BOA. For the avoidance of doubt, the selection panel shall give due consideration to all of the criteria set out below before reaching final selection decisions, however the below criteria will be assessed in order of importance as listed, in the panel’s opinion and at their absolute discretion. Selection of the team should accurately reflect the purpose set out on page 1 of this policy (i.e. secure the highest possible placing at Paris 2024)

5.1. A BWL Absolute Ranking list

5.1.1. Each athlete’s best performance from Paris 2024 Olympic qualification events will be used to generate a ranking list of all eligible British athletes (“BWL Olympic Ranking List”)

5.1.2. To generate this ranking, all performances will be expressed in (kg) The formula used to calculate this percentage will be:

\[
\text{Percentage} = \frac{\text{Athletes best (1) total}}{\text{Paris 2024 predicted Top 5 standard (5.1.3.3) in their respective olympic category}} \times 100
\]

(Percentages will be rounded to the nearest whole number)

5.1.3. For clarity the Paris 2024 predicted Top 5 standard will be calculated from IWF Paris 2024 qualification ranking lists published on the IWF website. The following steps will be taken to create a Paris 2024 predicted top 5 standard.

5.1.3.1. A ranking list for each category will be created from all eligible athletes named on the IWF final ranking list once released by the IWF at the end of the Olympic qualification process (subject to change by IWF)
5.1.3.2. A predicted Top 5 standard will then be calculated from this ranking list considering MF sanctions and MF quota places.

5.2. World performance trends

To increase BWL’s understanding of the likelihood of an eligible athlete’s ability to secure the highest possible placing at the Paris 2024. Results from all IWF Qualification events will be analysed to evaluate current performance trends.

5.3. Consistency in performance

5.3.1. The average performance from the lifters best three (3) selection events

5.3.2. The average number of lifts out of six (6) across the lifters best three selection events

5.3.3. Performance Trajectory using performances from all qualification events they are selected for (outlined in clause 3.1). Calculations will be made using UKS Performance Funnels

5.4. Athlete personal management

5.4.1. The athlete’s ability to make weight consistently and effectively at Olympic qualification events

5.4.2. Injury and illness history prior to Olympic qualification events

5.4.3. Athlete co-operation and engagement with BWL Sport Science & Medical staff to support injury risk management, rehabilitation, and improvements in performance. Feedback from BWL Sport Science & Medical staff will be used as evidence for this.

5.4.4. Attitude in training and competition at Olympic qualification events. Feedback from BWL Performance Coaches will be used as evidence for this.

6. Category Selection

This clause is applicable in the case an athlete is named in more than one Olympic bodyweight category, subject to the minimum participation of one (1) event in the same Olympic category during the qualification period.

The IWF deadline for BWL / BOA to confirm the athlete’s weight category is 6th May 2024 23:59 CET.

BWL shall select the eligible bodyweight category for such athlete considering:

- The category in which the athlete demonstrates the greatest potential to secure the highest possible placing at the Paris 2024 games
- The impact an athlete’s selection in any category will have on the total team size.

BWL Selection Timeline in accordance with IWF Olympic Qualification Timeline:

- **Athletes submit ‘Appendix B: Weight category preference form’** - no later than 17:00 on 28th April 2024
• **IWF Publishes Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who are eligible for selection in more than one (1) weight category** – 1st May 2024

• **BWL Selection panel meet** – 2nd May 2024. The BWL selection committee will convene to select athlete weight categories for athletes that are eligible for selection in more than 1 category.

• **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 3rd May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.

• **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 4th May 2024 to file an appeal their non-selection.

• **Appeals panel meeting** - 5th May 2024.

• **BOA/BWL confirms the bodyweight categories of athletes who are eligible in more than one bodyweight category** – no later than 23:59 on 6th May 2024

7. Reserves

The Paris 2024 Olympic qualification process does not allow National Federations to nominate reserves.

8. **Individual Qualification via World Ranking Method**

BWL can qualify a maximum of three (3) male and three (3) female athletes through the IWF World Ranking method. Individual qualification places are allocated to athletes based on their ranking in the IWF Olympic Qualification Ranking List. Athletes must be in the Top 10 for men and women in each weight class respectively. If more than 3 male and/or 3 female athletes are eligible for selection through the World Ranking Route, BWL will select the 3 female and/or 3 male athletes through the procedures outlined in sections 5 respectively.

BWL Selection Timeline in accordance with IWF Olympic Qualification Timeline:

• **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who are eligible for selection via the World Ranking method** – 10th May 2024

• **BWL Selection panel meet** – 11th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the World ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.

• **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 12th May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.

• **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 13th May 2024 to file an appeal

• **Appeals panel meeting** - All appeals will be heard on the 14th May 2024

• **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB** – no later than 23:59 on 15th May 2024

• **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who have become eligible for selection via the world ranking method** – 16th May 2024
• **BWL Selection panel meet** – 17th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the World ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.

• **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 18th May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.

• **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 19th May 2024 to file an appeal

• **Appeals panel meeting** - 20th May 2024

• **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB** – no later than 23:59 on 23rd May 2024

9. **Qualification via Continental Ranking Method**

BWL can qualify a maximum of three (3) male and three (3) female athletes. Through the IWF Continental Ranking method the highest-ranked athlete from the least represented continent for each weight category as of 16th May 2024, shall also earn an individual quota place for each respective weight category.

BWL Selection Timeline in accordance with IWF Olympic Qualification Timeline:

• **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and informs BOA/BWL if any athletes are eligible to qualify through the continental ranking method** – 24th May 2024

• **BWL Selection panel meet** – 25th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the continental ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.

• **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 26th May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.

• **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 27th May 2024 to file an appeal.

• **Appeals panel meeting** - 28th May 2024

• **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB** – no later than 23:59 on 31st May 2024

10. **Team Announcement**

Athletes are prohibited from making any announcement to the public or to the press or other media regarding nomination or selection unless and until such selection has been officially notified by the BOA to BWL and any official joint press conference by the BOA and BWL has taken place

11. **Confirmation of Fitness and de-selection**

11.1. Prior to the date of the Delegation Registration Meeting, and notwithstanding any other provision of this policy, BWL retain the right to deselect or not to nominate an athlete who has failed to prove their continued form or fitness (clause 10.2 to 10.7) or who has otherwise failed to adhere to the terms of this selection policy

11.2. At the time of their conditional selection by the BWL selection panel, all athletes will undergo an examination with a nominated Medical Doctor and/or a physiotherapist and a nutritionist to determine their medical, musculoskeletal and body composition/weight status
11.3. In addition to any other provision of this Policy, all selected athletes at the request of the BWL Performance Manager will undergo medical, body composition/weight and performance assessments to ensure that they have maintained an adequate level of fitness to perform to the best of their ability at the Games.

11.4. Any cause for concern over injury, illness, strength or body composition/weight arising from an examination or otherwise will lead to the athlete needing to demonstrate their fitness by undergoing a fitness assessment, regardless of whether they have done so previously.

11.5. If an athlete has an injury or, in the reasonable opinion of the BWL, lacks fitness or displays a poor attitude prior to their formal selection to the Team by the BOA, then designated medical, coaching, sport science personnel and/or the BWL Head of Performance (as appropriate) will be entitled to make an assessment of the athlete’s management of their injury, rehabilitation, preparation and/or their commitment and adherence to training and rehabilitation with a view to determining whether the athlete can achieve full fitness and perform optimally at the Games.

11.6. The Head of Performance will be entitled to specify any reasonable method requiring a selected athlete to confirm their continued health and fitness, which might include, participating in certain competitions, attending meetings or squad training or undergoing a fitness assessment.

11.7. All nominated athletes will be expected to attend all preparation camps where they must demonstrate through their training performance and training plan that they are on target to, as a minimum, lift equal to their personal best at the Games.

11.8. Deselection pre and post the Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM)

The DRM will take place on 12/07/2023 (or such other date as the BOA notifies BWL). That is the date that the Team is formally and finally entered with the Paris 2024 Organising Committee. Prior to the date of the DRM, BWL retain the right to deselect (in consultation with the BOA) an athlete in accordance with this selection policy. After the DRM has been completed, deselection and selection of a replacement athlete is only allowed in accordance with the IOC’s Late Athlete Replacement Policy (or any revised or amended IOC policy dealing with athlete replacement). This primarily provides for replacement in the case of injury and/or illness. In the event of there being a query over ability of an athlete to be able to compete to the best of his/her ability due to an injury or illness the following procedure will be adhered to:

11.8.1. The Team’s Chief Medical Officer can require an athlete to undergo a medical examination to determine his/her fitness to participate. The Team’s Chief Medical Officer or another doctor delegated by him/her will carry out this examination. If the athlete fails the medical examination he/she will be withdrawn from the Team and BWL may nominate a replacement athlete in accordance with its selection policy

11.8.2. If the athlete passes the medical examination carried out in accordance with (i) above but BWL and/or the BOA still have concerns over whether or not the athlete is able to compete to a level which would ordinarily have been expected of the athlete due to the underlying injury or illness, the Chef de Mission (in consultation with BWL) can require the athlete to undergo a set of predetermined sport specific performance tests. The tests will be the Snatch and Clean & Jerk. The tests will be conducted under the guidance of the Performance Manager and a BOA representative. If the athlete fails the test (which can be undertaken on more than one
occasion), he/she will be withdrawn from the Team on medical grounds and, if appropriate, a replacement can be nominated by BWL in accordance with this selection policy.

12. Additional Obligations

Selected athletes will be required to:

12.1. Inform the BWL Head of Performance immediately should their preparation be interrupted in any way after nomination.

12.2. Stay in the Olympic Village for at least four (4) nights around their own competition, to meet potential IWF anti-doping control requirements.

13. Appeals

13.1. Athletes have the right to appeal their non-selection in accordance with the “BWL Appeals Policy”. A copy can be obtained by contacting the BWL main office. Appeals may only be made on the grounds that the procedure outlined in this policy has not been adhered to.

13.2. Any appeals to de-selection prior to DRM must be made in accordance with the BWL appeals policy. Any appeal post DRM shall be dealt with in accordance with the BOA’s appeal policy and shall be heard under a fast track appeals process conducted by Sports Resolutions UK.
APPENDIX A

Application of interest form - Paris 2024 Olympic Games (Weightlifting)

This form should be used to declare interest for athletes that wish to participate in the qualification process to represent Great Britain & Northern Ireland at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

Athlete’s Full Name: ____________________________________________________________

Please accept my application for consideration for selection to the British Team for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to follow the British Weight Lifting Selection policy and process for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

I agree that as a condition of my participation in the Games, I will be obliged to enter into the following agreements prior to my nomination to the BOA

- The British Olympic Association Team Members’ Agreement
- The British Weight Lifting Team Members’ Agreement

ATHLETE STATEMENTS

1. I wish to be considered for selection to Team GB for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games in the weightlifting competition, agree to adhere to the BWL selection policy and agree to facilitate the various procedures laid out in that policy and to provide such assistance and information as BWL shall reasonably require in connection with the selection process laid out

2. I agree to cooperate (to the extent necessary) with the BWL and / or BOA sport science & medical staff in the event I am expected to undertake any Medical & fitness assessments required in accordance with this selection policy. I agree to the communication and sharing of essential information regarding my physical and mental health and fitness to evaluate my ability compete in-line with agreed performance targets for Paris 2024 Olympic games.

3. I agree that medical personnel will be permitted to communicate the findings of any assessments or tests strictly and only for the purpose of selection. Therefore, I agree to waive any right to medical confidentiality for the purpose of selection under the policy

4. I agree to work cooperatively with any staff that BWL designate to support the Team and undertake to ensure that that any parties associated with me (including my personal coach) cooperate likewise.

5. My normal contact details for further correspondence are given below. I undertake to notify British Weight Lifting’s Head of Performance immediately should these details change

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Date Date / month / Year

Please return this form to stuart.martin@britishweightlifting.org by no later than 17:00 on 30th April 2023
APPENDIX B

Athlete Weight Category Preference form

This Form should be used to declare the preferred weight category for athletes that are eligible in more than one Olympic category at the end of the qualification period for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games on the 28th April 2024

Athlete’s Full Name: ____________________________________________

Please accept this form as confirmation of the categories I would like to be considered for selection in (in order of priority) to represent the British Team at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to follow the British Weight Lifting Selection policy and process for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

My FIRST choice of bodyweight category to be considered for selection in is the: ____________________________________________

My SECOND choice of bodyweight category to be considered for selection in is the: ____________________________________________

Athlete’s Signature: ____________________________________________

Date: ____________________________________________ (Day / Month / Year)

Please return this form to stuart.martin@britishweightlifting.org no later than 17:00 on 28th April 2023
**APPENDIX C**

**Basic timeline and critical dates (Subject to change by BWL / BOA / IWF)**

All timelines are subject to change depending on the IWF’s execution of necessary processes to create rankings and confirm allocations which BOA / BWL require to conduct selection processes outlined within this document. BWL and the BOA will make every effort to ensure that changes are communicated in a timely manner to long list athletes. All selection decisions will be subject to ratification by the BOA, and athlete appeals hearings. The BOA and BWL wish to inform athletes that the minimum amount of time for athletes to voice an appeal is 24 hours, due to tight timelines provided by the IWF we ask that athletes react swiftly to any communication from BWL / BOA paying close attention to deadlines outlined.

1. **Inform BWL of Intention to attempt qualification and to gain selection** – no later than 17:00 on 30th April 2023. Athletes seeking nomination must confirm their intention and agreement to this Policy by completing ‘Appendix A – Application of interest’ and returning it to stuart.martin@britishweightlifting.org

2. **Short list** – BWL will communicate with the BOA after every milestone competition to remove athletes who become ineligible from the ‘Long list’ in accordance with this policy.

3. **Athletes submit ‘Appendix B: Weight category preference form’** - no later than 17:00 on 28th April 2024

4. **IWF Publishes Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who are eligible for selection in more than one (1) weight category – 1st May 2024**
   a. **BWL Selection panel meet** – 2nd May 2024. The BWL selection committee will convene to select athlete weight categories for athletes that are eligible for selection in more than 1 category.
   b. **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 3rd May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.
   c. **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 4th May 2024 to file an appeal their non-selection.
   d. **Appeals panel meeting** – 5th May 2024.

5. **BOA/BWL confirms the bodyweight categories of athletes who are eligible in more than one bodyweight category – no later than 23:59 on 6th May 2024**

6. **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who are eligible for selection via the World Ranking method – 10th May 2024**
   a. **BWL Selection panel meet** – 11th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the World ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.
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   c. **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 13th May 2024 to file an appeal
   d. **Appeals panel meeting** – 14th May 2024

7. **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB – no later than 23:59 on 15th May 2024**

8. **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and notifies BOA / BWL of athletes who have become eligible for selection via the world ranking method – 16th May 2024**
   a. **BWL Selection panel meet** – 17th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the World ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.
   b. **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 18th May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.
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9. **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB – no later than 23:59 on 23rd May 2024**

10. **IWF Publishes updated Olympic Qualification Ranking list and informs BOA/BWL if any athletes are eligible to qualify through the continental ranking method – 24th May 2024**
    a. **BWL Selection panel meet** – 25th May 2024. BWL will select additional athletes from those that become eligible via the continental ranking method up to a maximum of 3 quota slots per gender.
    b. **Athletes informed of selection decision** – no later than 17:00 on 26th May 2024. Selection decisions will be communicated to selected athletes and non-selected athletes on the short list.
    c. **Appeal deadline** – Athletes have until 17:00 on 27th May 2024 to file an appeal.
    d. **Appeals panel meeting** – All appeals will be heard on the 28th May 2024

11. **BOA/BWL confirms up to 3 athletes per gender that are selected to represent Team GB – no later than 23:59 on 31st May 2024**

12. **IWF informs BWL of reallocation of quota places – 3rd June 2024**

13. **BOA/BWL confirms acceptance of reallocation places – no later than 23:59 on 10th June 2024**

14. **Sport entries deadline** – no later than 23:59 on 8th July
15. **Delegation Registration Meeting** – 12th July 2024. BOA’s Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) with the Paris Organising Committee. The DRM is when “Team GB” is formally entered by the BOA with the Paris Organising Committee. It is a very important date following which the Team will be considered final subject to certain limited circumstances.
APPENDIX 3
This addendum was issued to all athletes prior to selection for the 2023 EWF European Championships

Addendum to Olympic Selection Paris 2024 Olympic Games Eligibility Requirement

This Addendum supplements the future Olympic Selection Policy concerning the eligibility of athletes for selection for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

To qualify for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games athletes must participate in two (2) Mandatory qualification events, plus three (3) out of the possible five (5) other Olympic qualification events below:

1. IWF World Championships 2022 – Bogota (Columbia)
2. EWF European Championships 2023 – Yerevan (Armenia)
3. IWF Grand Prix 1 – Havana (Cuba)
4. IWF World Championships 2023 – Riyadh (Saudi Arabia) – MANDATORY
5. IWF Grand Prix 2 – Doha (Qatar)
6. EWF European Championships 2024 – Antalya (Turkey)
7. IWF World Cup – Phuket (Thailand) – MANDATORY

Individuals will earn quota places by name according to the IWF Absolute Ranking drawn results recorded at all the qualification competitions stated above.

Athletes selected for these Championships must:

Accept their selection and compete to maintain their eligibility for selection for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

If a selected athlete for any qualification event fails to compete due to injury or illness their eligibility for Olympic selection can be reconsidered. Designated BWL Panel and the BWL Head of Performance will assess the athlete’s management of their preparation prior to the injury/illness and their commitment and adherence to training and rehabilitation as part of reconsidering their eligibility for Olympic selection.

Athletes who do not participate in one (1) of the first 3 qualification events or both of the Mandatory events (4 & 5) will be ineligible in accordance with the IWF Qualification system (Section C.3.1) found here.

In the event an athlete is unable or unfit to attend qualification event 4 & 5 they will only remain eligible in extremely extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the IWF in accordance with the IWF Qualification system (Section C.3.1.a) found here.