







Pyeongtaek 2022 World Para Powerlifting Asia Oceania Open Championships

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WELCOME

World Para Powerlifting and the Organizing Committee are pleased to invite you to 2022 World Para Powerlifting Asia-Oceania Open Championships to be held in Pyeongtaek, Korea on 14 – 20 June 2022. This competition features as a mandatory step on the qualification pathway for all Asian and Oceanian para powerlifters striving to qualify for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

The information in the following pages outlines all details related to the list of events, participation criteria and deadlines for the Pyeongtaek 2022 World Para Powerlifting Asia-Oceania Open Championships.







Greeting Speech from the President of Korea Para Powerlifting Federation (KPPF)



Korea Para Powerlifting Federation is very proud to host the prestigious Asia-Oceania Regional Championships. The physical activity of the people with impairment plays an important role in rehabilitation as well as in leading a healthy life physically and emotionally. Each country's national team will be able to experience a successful competition in the excellent infrastructure and warm hospitality of the Republic of Korea.

Through this competition, I hope that it will be a place of fruit for participants to show their skills to their fullest, and a festival where all Para weightlifters around the world will become one. Thank you.

Greeting Speech from the President of Organizing Committee (PyeongCOC)



I'm Ho-cheol Jang who is the President of the 2022 World Para Powerlifting Asia-Oceania Open Championships.

The Championships will be held under the slogan "Endless Passion." It is such an honor to host the 2022 World Para Powerlifting Asia-Oceania Open Championships in Pyeongtaek. I strongly believe that this championships will be held successfully in Pyeongtaek, an international city globally expanding.

We will prepare for the championships and do our best to make the championships a memorable and meaningful event. With the warm hearts of citizens of Pyeongtaek and people in South Korea, we will try to put every effort to help all athletes will perform their best with comfort and ease.

1. General Information

1.1 IPC Membership

The Organising Committee will only accept entries submitted by the NPC / NF in good standing with the IPC. Furthermore, only those entries submitted by the NPC President, Secretary General or authorised person will be processed. For further information on the IPC's membership policies or to address general membership issues, please contact the World Para Powerlifting (WPPO) office: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org

1.2 World Para Powerlifting Rules & Regulations

The most current World Para Powerlifting Technical Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website alongside the World Para Powerlifting Qualification Pathway 2022-2024 will apply for this competition.

1.3 Anti-Doping

The Anti-Doping control / processes will be carried out in full accordance with the IPC Anti-Doping Code and the IPC Doping Control Agreement, further details can be found on the WPPO website: www.paralympic.org/powerlifting/rules-and-regulations/anti-doping

1.4 International Classification

The most current World Para Powerlifting Classification Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website will apply for this competition. All athletes who have a designated sport class status of New, Review, Review 2022 or earlier will be required to undergo International Classification prior to the start of the competition. A detailed classification schedule will follow after the revision of the final entries by WPPO.

1.5 Medical Information & Insurance

The LOC will ensure the implementation of all necessary and appropriate on-site medical, emergency ambulance and first aid services throughout the Championships.

For medical treatment, no medical insurances will be provided to any participant during the Championships.

Each respective NPC is fully responsible to ensure that all members of their delegation are appropriately insured, including coverage for travel, medical (covid-19), liability, accidents and repatriation and will be responsible for any medical expenses resulting from participation in this Championships.

Each NPC will need to provide evidence of appropriate insurance coverage for their full delegation by no later than **20 May 2022.**

2. Championships Information

2.1 Championships Dates

The dates for the Pyeongtaek 2022 Asia Oceania Open Championships are as follows:

Referees, Classifiers and Coaching Courses	9 - 12 June 22
Teams Arrival	11 - 12 June 22
Raise the Bar! Anti-Doping Seminars	12 - 13 June 22
International Classification	12 - 13 June 22
Junior, Senior, Masters Technical Meeting	13 June 22
Junior, Masters Championships	14 June 22
Opening Ceremony	14 June 22
Senior Championships	15 - 19 June 22
Mixed Team Event	20 June 22
Closing Ceremony	20 June 22
Team Departures	21 June 22

2.2 Entries and Registration Process

In order for athlete entries to be accepted, they must meet the below criteria and deadlines.

2.2.1 Athlete Eligibility

- Be fully registered on the IPC Sport Data Management System (SDMS) with the correct documentation (IPC Eligibility Form and Medical Diagnostic Form) completed fully, signed and uploaded to the athlete profile;
- Have an active license for the 2022 Summer Competition Season;
- Be a minimum of 15 years of age by the 31 December 2022;
- Have an international classification status of New, Review, Review + Fixed Date or Confirmed;

<u>NOTE:</u> There is no required minimum qualifying standard (MQS) to enter the Pyeongtaek 2022 Championships

2.2.2 Entries

All athletes must be entered online via the <u>IPC online entries system</u> in accordance with the entry deadlines by their respective NPCs or authorised National Federation/Organisation.

By completing and submitting sport entries, NPCs are considered to have officially declared the participation of their athletes in the specified events/categories and a participation fee invoice will be automatically generated based upon the total number of athletes and staff submitted.

2.2.3 Final Entries

All final entries (by name and bodyweight category) must be completed by **01 May 2022.** Please note that after this deadline no changes to the final entries and or final participation fee invoice will be accepted unless under exceptional circumstances. Please note that any decisions concerning this matter will be made by WPPO and are not open for further contest or appeal by any other organisation or body. Changes of bodyweight category after 01 May 2022 will be only possible during the Technical Meeting.

2.2.4 Championships Participation Fee

The Championships participation fee invoice will be automatically generated via the IPC online entry system following the completion and submission of a team's entry by number. All payments must be completed via bank transfer or paid online via credit card by no later than **20 May 2022** to the account detailed below. Please note that cash payments will not be accepted without prior approval from WPPO. Should you have any enquiries concerning your Championships participation fee invoice and or payment please contact the WPPO office: info@WorldParaPowerlifting.org before the payment deadline.

The participation fee for participants is **500 EUR per person** (athletes and team officials).

Please transfer the full invoice amount without any deductions to the following bank account and identify your payment by stating the invoice number in the reference field. Please note that the payers to bear all bank charges to ensure that the IPC receives the complete amount. The invoice will not be considered as settled if the IPC receives less than the complete amount. Please note that incomplete payments will result in all athletes from your delegation being ineligible to compete. No reimbursements will be granted after the final payment is made.

Account Name: IPC, Adenauerallee 212-214, D-53113 Bonn, Germany

Bank Deutsche: Bank AG, D-53113 Bonn, Germany

Branch No: 414

SWIFT Address: DEUT DE DK 380
IBAN: DE20 3807 0059 0029 0122 20

2.2.5 Late Entries

The WPPO Office must be informed about the request for any late entries. All respective information must be provided showing the reason why the entry deadline could not be met and all requests will be reviewed on a 'case by case' basis and may be accepted or rejected at the sole discretion of WPPO.

2.2.6 Replacements

The WPPO Office must be informed about any requests for athlete replacements. Replacements of athletes may be considered for any exceptional circumstances and all supporting documentation/evidence must be submitted alongside the request. All requests will be reviewed on a 'case by case' basis and may be accepted or rejected at the sole discretion of WPPO.

2.2.7 Entry Changes

Bodyweight categories will apply as per the current World Para Powerlifting Rules and Regulations. Following the final entry deadline, in accordance with the rules and regulations, athletes will have the opportunity to change bodyweight categories during the technical meeting only, either up or down one (1) bodyweight category only from the category nominated at the time of the final entry deadline at a cost of 100 EUR per change. The bodyweight category signed off at the technical meeting is considered final and no further changes will be allowed.

2.3 Entry and General Competition Deadlines

Opening of IPC Online Entry System by Number and bodyweight category: Individual Event and Mixed Team Event	17 January 2022
Opening of IPC Online Entry System by Name and bodyweight category: Individual Event and Mixed Team Event	01 March 2022
Online Accreditation Opens	01 March 2022
Closing of Entry by Number	15 March 2022
Deadline to send Preliminary Accommodation Form	15 March 2022
Deadline to submit Visa application	01 April 2022
Deadline to transfer 40% of accommodation fees	01 April 2022
Deadline to submit Accommodation Form	01 May 2022
Closing of Entry by Name	01 May 2022
Closing of Online Accreditation	01 May 2022
Accommodation Fee Payment Deadline	10 May 2022
Deadline to submit travel information form	20 May 2022
Championships Participation Fee Deadline	20 May 2022
Deadline to submit Participants Insurance	20 May 2022

2.4 Maximum number of entries per event per NPC

2.4.1 Individual Event

In accordance with the most current World Para Powerlifting Technical Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website.

2.4.2 Mixed Team Event

NPCs that wish to enter the mixed team event are permitted to enter a maximum of three (3) teams. Teams must consist of three (3) athletes from the same nation, and there must be a minimum of one (1) female athlete, all three (3) athletes that comprise the team may be from different bodyweight categories. NPCs that wish to enter one or more teams into the Mixed Team Event must register them in the IPC Online Entry System (by number and by name).

2.5 Viability of Events

2.5.1 Individual Event & Mixed Team Event

The most current World Para Powerlifting Rules and Regulations published upon the WPPO website will apply.

2.6 Medal Awards

At all WPPO Recognised Competitions medals will be awarded to the respective athletes within both individual and team events in accordance with the event viability criteria detailed in the most current WPPO rules.

2.7 Results

Only results of athletes who have an active license for the 2022 Summer Competition Season within the given timelines for results recognition and have a sport class status of Review, Review 2022 or later or Confirmed will be taken into consideration.

No hard copy (printing) results per NPC will be distributed as you will be able to download and check the Live Results on WPPO website.

After the close of the competition the official competition results book(s) will be compiled and it will be shared via email with competing teams and uploaded to the competition website within one (1) month of the close of the competition.

2.8 Rankings

All recognised results in accordance with the above will also be updated on WPPO website in the official WPPO 2022 World and Regional ranking lists and Paris 2024 pathway rankings for athletes meeting the Paris 2024 Qualification pathway requirements.

2.9 Records

It will be permitted for athletes to break records in accordance to the most current WPPO Technical Rules and Regulations.

3. Championships Logistics

3.1 Visa

Delegation members who require visa to enter Korea are required to contact the nearest Korean Embassy/Consulate in their country. All NPCs that require a visa must complete the Visa Form and provide a passport copy for each individual delegation member and submit it to the LOC no later than **April 1st**. The LOC will provide you with a formal invitation letter together with the list of your delegation to take to your visa appointment at your nearest Korean Embassy/Consulate in your country. Please be reminded that it is important that you arrange all necessary visas well in advance of the respective deadlines.

https://www.visa.go.kr/openPage.do?MENU ID=10101

Please use the above site to verify whether or not you need to apply for a visa to enter the Korea

3.2 Accommodation

All information regarding accommodation booking, payment, cancellation policy and extra days can be found in the **Accommodation Guide** published on WPPO website.

The official Championships hotel for all athletes and team officials is Pyeongtaek Ramada Encore.

Single Room: 135 EUR per night per participant including all meals Twin Room: 110 EUR per night per participant including all meals

3.3 Covid-19 Regulations

The LOC is working to make a safe and enjoyable competition. Korean government guidance will lead our planning to ensure a Covid secure event. Depending on COVID-19 in Korea, the guideline could be changed and communicated.

In order to make the event as safe as possible for every attendee we will require the complete support and cooperation of all teams. This may include Covid testing in your respective country within 72 hours of departure, at the cost of the NPC. And additional Covid testing in Pyeongtaek covered by the LOC (minimum of 2 tests), social distancing of 2-meter, use of face coverings and any other elements of the Event Covid Plan that the LOC puts in place.

Before you travel to Korea, please plan your Covid-19 testing according to the below requirements:

- Test type Accepted:
 - All tests need to be based on acid amplification tests (NAATs):
 - PCR tests based on DNA amplification (RY-PCR, LAMP, TMA, SDA, NEAR etc)
- Test type Not Accepted:
- Antigen/antibody detection test (RAT, ELISA etc)
- All forms of self-administered tests are NOT valid regardless of test type

Issued Date and Required information:

- The result needs to be issued no earlier than 72 hours (3 days) before the departure date.
- Name, date of birth, test method, test date, test result, date of issuance, and name of testing center should be included in the test result.
- *The name on the test result needs to match the name on the passport (middle name can be omitted as long as the other names are identical)
- *Passport number or national ID number is acceptable in lieu date of birth
- The test result must be negative
- *If the test result is "INDETERMINATE", "UNLCEAR", or "POSITIVE", the relevant result is invalid.

Language

- The test method must be written in **Korean or English**.
- *If the test method is written in a language other than Korean or English, a translated copy of the test

result in Korean or English needs to be submitted together with a certificate of translation. (If the test result was translated by individual translators, the translated document needs to be certified by a notary office or Korean embassy).

Testing center

- For sea and air travelers departing from the Philippines, Indonesia, and Uzbekistan, the negative PCR test result needs to be issued by one of the government-designated testing centers.

*The list of countries with the designated testing center requirement are subject to change and will be updated on the websites of Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency and Korean embassies. *As for other countries, negative PCR test result issued by any testing center in the country is valid.

4. Host City

Location

Pyeongtaek is city of Geyounggi-do(Province), South Korea. It is located in the southwestern part of the province. Around Pyeongtaek, Cheonan-si, Asansi, Chungcheonnnman-do and Hwaseong-si exist.







Weather

Pyeongtaek city does not have high mountains; therefore, the city is mostly affected by the climate from the west coast. In 2020, average temperature on Jun was 23.0° C and Jan was 1.7° C.

Tour

1) Pyeongtaek Port

Pyeongtaek port is symbol of Korea that is gateway to the Metropolitan Area and the middle of Korea. Currently, only 7 of the 28 domestic trade ports have regular container ships including Busan port, Gwangyang Port, Incheon Port, Massan Port, Ulsan Port, Gunsan Port and Yeosu Port. As Pyeongtaek Port is directly open to China, its utility value is higher than other ports.

Pyeongtaek port is ranked in 1st in automobile import and export for 8 consecutive years.

2) Pyeongtaekho Tourist Complex

It has an artificial lake which is symbolistic tourism attraction of Pyeongtaek as it has various entertainm ent and amenities surrounded by a 24km² lake. Here, people can do anything they want such as

walking along the wood waterside deck or picnic. Inside the complex, you can find art exhibitions, Asan-ho Artm gallery, and music performance are held at Korean Sound Soriter Aart Center.





3) Songtan Special Tourist Zone (Sinjang Shopping Mall)

Pyeongtaek Songtan Special Tourist Zone is the international city which has grown up with Osan Air Ba ses(K-55), the military of the USFK. About 230,000 domestic and foreign tourists visit this area every year. Every October, the Korean-American Friendship and unity Festival is held here.





4) Korea Sorieo

Pyeongtaek is called the 'Home of Korean Sound' and you will know the reason if you visit here. You can meet people who are the master of Korean traditional music in Pyeongtaek and the center of culture and art.





5. Championships Contact Details

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