

# 2011 Qualifying Procedures for World Championships

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- Qualifying Periods begin and end on specifically designated events. Totals posted by athletes at any USADA or WADA drug-tested USAW- or IWF-sanctioned event within the Qualifying Period will be considered.
- Team selection will be based on totals from the qualifying events within the qualifying period that demonstrate the highest projected ability to place based on the 2011 International Totals below. In the event of the same projected placement in multiple weight classes, the athlete with the highest percentage of the top projected placement in their respective weight class will be ranked higher. Per the rules of weightlifting, teams are limited to a maximum of two athletes per weight class.
- If two athletes in the same weight class achieve the same totals from two different qualifying events, whoever posted the total first will be ranked higher.
- Ties that occur within the same competition follow the rules of weightlifting: the lighter weight athlete is ranked higher. If a tie still occurs, the athlete who made the total first will be ranked higher.
- All team members are subject to evaluation of athlete's fitness to compete at the discretion of USAW prior to international competition.

## **World Championships**

**11/10-17/2011**

*The Board of Directors has approved funding for a minimum of 6 men and 4 women to the World Championships in Paris, France who have the projection to finish 25<sup>th</sup> or better based on the current international qualifying totals approved by the BOD. Additional qualified athletes to complete teams of 8 men and 7 women, maximum 2 per weight class per the rules of weightlifting, may self-fund.<sup>1</sup>*

Qualifying period begins: 2010 American Open Championships, December 10-12, 2010

Qualifying period ends: 2011 National Championships

Mandatory Qualifier<sup>2</sup>: 2011 National Championships

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**\*\*Notice regarding qualifying events for the 2012 Olympic Games\*\*** In order to be eligible for the 2012 Olympic Games and all qualifying events for the games, an athlete must have qualified or requested IN WRITING to be on the RTP by January 1, 2011. IN WRITING means letter by mail to:

Laurie Lopez, Interim CEO  
USA Weightlifting  
1 Olympic Plaza  
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

or faxed to: 719-866-4741, or e-mailed to: [usaw@usawweightlifting.org](mailto:usaw@usawweightlifting.org)

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- 1- Self Funded Athletes to International Events: The USA Weightlifting Board of Directors has voted to permit self-funding by the top ranked 7 women and top 8 men to international events as long as USAW does not incur additional costs for staffing. USAW will assist qualified self-funded athletes in an administrative capacity.
- 2- Mandatory Qualifier: Athlete must compete at Mandatory Qualifier to be eligible for International Event but highest total from any qualifier during the qualifying period will be used.