



## **Weightlifting Scotland – Celtics Team Selection Policy for 2025**

*Weightlifting Scotland reserves the right to modify or amend this policy at its discretion.*

### **1. Eligibility for Team Selection (Lifters):**

To be eligible for selection to the Celtics team, a lifter must meet the following criteria:

#### **a. Nationality and Residency Requirements:**

- Hold a valid UK passport.
- Be Scottish by birth or through parentage/grand-parentage.
- If not of Scottish descent, have resided in Scotland for a period exceeding three (3) years\*, and have not competed for another nation within the past 12 months.
- Have a Sport80 account registered under Scotland.
- In cases where a lifter has previously represented another nation in European, World, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games, or any International Weightlifting Federation (IWF) sanctioned events, clearance must be obtained through the standard approval process.

#### **b. Compliance:**

- The lifter must not be currently suspended by or in dispute with Weightlifting Scotland (WLS) or British Weight Lifting (BWL).

#### **c. Performance Criteria:**

- The lifter must be ranked within the Top 3 for Seniors, Juniors, or Youths in 2025, having recorded a total at an official event registered on Sport80.
- Invitations will be issued in ranking order, if a lifter is unable to accept the invitation, it will be extended to the next eligible lifter (per section d)
- The qualification period runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2025, to September 21<sup>st</sup> 2025 (inclusive, concluding with the Scottish Classic).

#### **d. Substitution Policy:**

- If a selected lifter becomes ineligible due to any reason outlined in section c, including but not limited to injury or unavailability, the invitation shall be extended to the next eligible lifter on the rankings list.



## **2. Coach Selection:**

The coaching team for the Celtics squad shall be selected at the sole discretion of the WLS Performance Director.

## **3. Technical Official Selection:**

Preference for the selection of Technical Officials (TOs) will be given to those who have attended the most Weightlifting Scotland events in 2025. However, WLS retains the right to select any qualified and available Technical Official for the competition.

## **4. Appeals Process:**

Any individual wishing to appeal a selection decision may do so by submitting a formal appeal in writing via email to [technical@weightliftingscotland.com](mailto:technical@weightliftingscotland.com), stating the grounds for the appeal. Upon receipt of an appeal, a selection review committee will be formed to evaluate the appeal and render a decision.

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*\*The three-year residency requirement is consistent with current Commonwealth Games eligibility standards, per section 3.1d of the CGF Byelaw 17 in effect for Glasgow 2026.*