

## Technical Official National Pathway

### Minimum Requirements:

- Must be 18 years or older
- Must have at least a secondary/high school level of education
- Have a basic level of English language
- Citizen of the United States of America.
  - Must be citizens of the United States to be eligible to be a part of Team USA. If dual citizenship is held, your sport nationality must be registered as the United States with the WPPO or other applicable body.
- Have valid United States of America Passport
  - Must possess a USA passport with an expiration date of a minimum of 6 months after the end of the competition, or the entry requirement of the host nation, whichever is the greater.
- Be in good physical health
  - Will be required to disclose personnel health concerns/issues to the designated medical personnel prior to competitions.

### Specific Requirements (National level)

- Knowledge of the body and how it works mechanically from an anatomical and physiological perspective
- Knowledge of the various disability categories that are eligible to compete in Para Powerlifting
- Knowledge of the bench press
- Must be in compliance with US Center of SafeSport Code and Policies
- Must be in compliance with USOPC Background Check Policy
- Must be a member in good standing of USAPP
  - Good standing means a current membership, no code of conduct violations and no outstanding financial payments within the most recent 12 months
- Successful completion of the USAPP National Technical Official Course or an IPC approved entry level Technical Official Course
- Officiate in a minimum of two (2) USAPP sanctioned or approved domestic events  
USA Para-Powerlifting Pathway for National Technical Officials

### SPECIFIC STEPS FOR NATIONAL TO CERTIFICATION

- 1) Become a member of USA Para Powerlifting
  - a. Pay membership fee
  - b. Complete Background check
  - c. Complete SafeSport Training.
- 2) Fill out application found at <https://forms.office.com/r/ygVkaEev2N>
- 3) Complete Online training material and pass a written quiz (75% or higher is Quiz: <https://forms.office.com/r/Q7xdUxwEgr>)
- 4) Complete in-person or virtual live training with Head National TO (NTO)
  - a. 2 part series

- i. 1) review of written material and roles a TO can fill
    1. Take another short written quiz (75-80% to pass)
  - ii. 2) live video review where Training TOs judge the lift and National TO gives feedback. (Training TO should have 70% of the judging correct) 1-1.5 hours of training
  - iii. Bonus if at an in-person event new TO watch competition and officially judge the lifts (fill out a score card) that can be reviewed by National TO and Executive Director
- 5) Each National TO will be required to complete quarterly training that will consist of short written quiz (5 questions) and 5-7 Video reviews
- 6) Each National TO will participate in at least 2 events per year (can be online or in person). Can be local, regional or national level event.
- a. The NTO and ED will provide formal feedback to all judges
    - i. If the event is in person the feedback will be provided in person before the TO leaves the event and a written evaluation form will be completed
  - b. If the event is recorded, the recording along with the “scores/Judgements” of the TO should be send to the NTO and the ED for review. Formal written feedback and evaluation will be provided.
  - c. The TO must receive an overall satisfactory evaluation for all events. If they do not they will need to repeat the Quarterly training

**Specific requirement (To be nominated for international events)**

- Must meet all National Level requirements
- Have 2-5 years of experience officiating at the National Level
  - Must be able to prove experience
- Successful completion of or proof of enrollment in Advanced IPC Technical Official Course during year of consideration for international events.
- Have a valid licensure in good standing with WPPO as a Technical Official

For additional information please contact Head of Technical Officials and Rules, Ms. Kallie Quinn at [Kallie.Quinn@logan.edu](mailto:Kallie.Quinn@logan.edu) and visit our website at [www.logan.edu/usapp](http://www.logan.edu/usapp).