

## **World Para Powerlifting Sport Committee and Athletes' Committee**

### **Election Process:**

With 109 National Paralympic Committees (NPCs) widely and regularly practising Para powerlifting, it is important to World Para Powerlifting (WPPO) that all NPCs and all Para powerlifting athletes have the opportunity to nominate and vote for candidates to the Committees.

NPCs have the option to designate to their National Recognised Organisation (NRO) the following:

- The nomination of one candidate for the Chairperson of the Sport Committee
- [The nomination of one candidate for the Sport Committee](#)
- Voting rights for the virtual (online) election of the Chairperson of the Sport Committee [and for one member of the Sport Committee](#)
- Nomination of one male and three female candidates for the WPPO Athletes' Committee.

### **Sport Committee:**

The composition of the WPPO Sport Committee consists of five members. The Sport Committee would be comprised of one elected chair, [one elected Sport Committee Member and two](#) Sport Committee Members appointed by WPPO and approved by the WPS Unit Board (taking into consideration the need for gender term balance) and the current elected WPPO Athletes' Representative that will be the chair of the Athletes' Committee.

The designated NPC/NRO will be able to participate in the virtual (online) election to vote for a single candidate running for the Chairperson position [and for one member for the Sport Committee](#). The candidates with the highest number of votes in each respective position will be selected as the Chairperson [and as one of the Members](#) of the Sport Committee.

### **Athletes' Committee:**

Meanwhile, the Athletes' Committee would be comprised of five members (all of them elected). The currently elected WPPO Athletes' Representative (Sherif Osman from Egypt) will remain and serve as Athletes' Committee Chairperson.

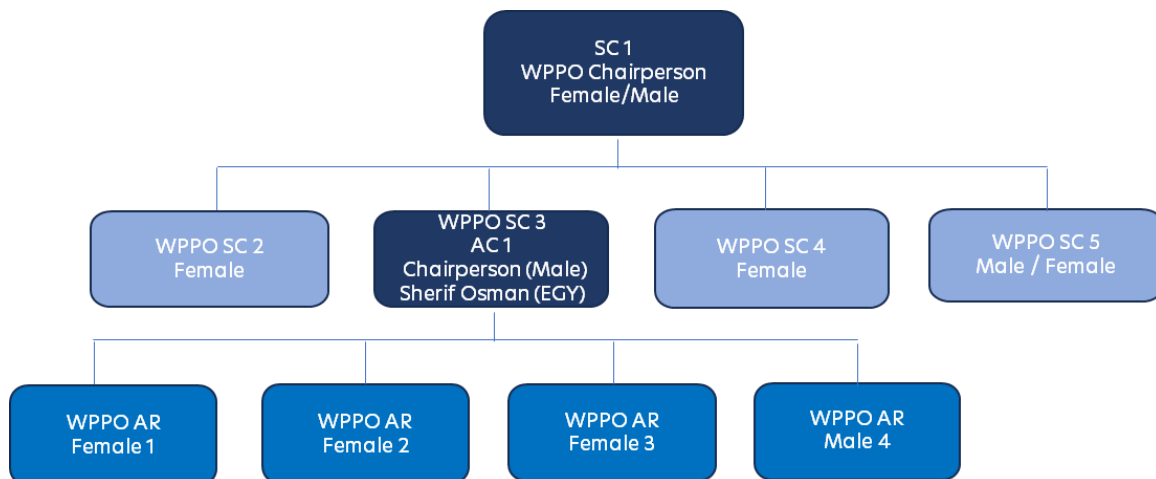
The designated NPC/NRO will be able to nominate one male and three female candidates for the Athletes' Committee members. WPPO will then invite all accredited athletes who have participated in **2024 World Cups (28 February - 26**



June 2024) to participate in the virtual (online) election to vote for four candidates – one male and three female.

The top male and the top three female candidates with the highest number of votes will be selected. Only one athlete per country/ territory can be elected; This is based on WPPO requirements listed in the [WPS Athletes' Committee Terms of reference](#)).

### Sport Committee (SC) and Athletes' Committee (AC) structure:



### Timeline:

07 February 2024	WPPO will announce to all NPCs regularly practising the sport the start of the election process for the Sport Committee and Athletes' Committee
	WPPO will send the NPC designation (online) form
	WPPO will send the Committees' terms of reference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Sport Committee</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Athletes' Committee</a></li> </ul>
28 February 2024	Deadline for NPCs to submit their NPC designation (online) form
29 February 2024	WPPO will send the online application forms for the Chairperson and <a href="#">member</a> of the Sport Committee, as well as the members of the Athletes' Committee

29 March 2024	Deadline for NPCs/ NROs to submit official applications for the Chairpersons <b>and member</b> of the Sport Committee, as well as members of the Athletes' Committee
19 May 2024	WPPO will distribute the candidates' profile for the Sport Committee Chairperson position.
	<b>WPPO will distribute the candidates' profile for the Sport Committee member position.</b>
	WPPO will distribute the candidate's profile for the Athletes Committee position.
19 June 2024	WPPO Chairperson <b>and one member of the</b> Sport Committee virtual elections
20 June 2024	WPPO Athletes' Committee members virtual election
22 June 2024	WPPO will notify the elected candidates of the new position and request confirmation they can still commit to the role
28 June 2024	WPPO will appoint the Sport Committee members
	WPPO will announce the elected Chairperson <b>and one member</b> of the Sport Committee, the appointed Sport Committee members and the elected Athletes' Committee members
09 October 2024	WPPO meeting with the Sport Committee and Athletes' Committee
14 November 2024	Sport Committee Chairperson to attend the Virtual Chairpersons Forum 2024