# NGB ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE REVIEW WORKING GROUP



### **DECISION REPORT**

Section 8.5.1 of the USOPC Bylaws grants the NGB Athlete Representative Review Working Group the authority to review and approve any deviations from the requirements of Section 8.5 regarding Athlete Representation on NGB Boards, Designated Committees, and application of the NGB 10 Year and 10 Year+ Athlete Definitions. Approvals are granted by a majority vote out of three panel members. Unless otherwise noted, exceptions are for four years.

NGB Name: USA Weightlifting

Effective Date: December 1, 2025

#### **Committees**

Committees for an exception or addition to the requirements:

	Committe e Name	Committee Type	Request	Explanation
1	Masters Committee	Other	Waive Athlete Representation requirement	This is a grassroot committee that focuses on recreational participation in the sport for athletes over the age of 35+. Elite Athlete representation is not needed.
2	WSO Committees	Other	Waive Athlete Representation requirement	These are 26 grassroots committees focused on promoting weightlifting at the grassroots level in their assigned geographic regions. The eligibility pool is very limited.
3	Coaches Advisory Council	Other	Waive Athlete Representation requirement	This is a place for coaches to convene. Athlete input is not required for the purposes of this committee
4	Youth Council	Other	Waive Athlete Representation requirement	This council is focused on the needs of youth and junior membership. It is currently vacant.

#### Additional context regarding committees:

For items #1, #2, and #4, these are primarily grassroots committees that do not impact elite athlete matters. Because we must meet elite athlete representation requirements for our standing and designated committees, the available pool of eligible athletes is not large enough to also staff these additional committees.

## **Panel Approval**

NGB Council Representative

The below panel members agree to the exceptions presented above. Agree Disagree DocuSigned by: December 1, 2025 | 4:03:16 PM PST NGB Team USA Athletes' Commission Representative Date Disagree Agree Signed by: liesel Huber December 3, 2025 | 9:41:18 AM MST Team USA Athletes' Commission Representative Date Agree Disagree Staciellen Mischel December 9, 2025 | 7:00:26 AM PST

Date