

WPPO Technical Announcer Script

Individual and Team Event

20 minutes before the competition starts

- Ladies and Gentlemen, the Competition will begin in 20 minutes.
- *Speaker/announcer: Time to inform and engage spectators ahead of the competition (e.g. Generic welcome and background information, Key athletes to watch out for, records broken, Pre-session announcements: education, entertainment and venue announcements, etc).*

IPC Games and Championships Only - 12 minutes before the competition starts

- Technical controller, please prepare the athletes ready for presentation.

10 minutes before the competition starts

- Attention coaches, five minutes remaining for changes to the first attempt.
- Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome the athletes competing in the (men's/women's) X kg category, Group X (*Groups presented individually C, B, A*).

Once all athletes are on the stage announce each athlete individually:

- Representing X (country name) X X (Athlete First Name, Athlete Last Name)
- *Speaker/announcer: To add additional details (e.g. Current World Record holder, Paralympic Champion, International debut etc., the tone can reflect the excitement of a moment or the scope of an accomplishment - without going over the top!)*

Once you have finished announcing all the athletes on the stage:

- Ladies and Gentlemen, a big applause for (men's/women's) X kg category, Group X

Then the athletes will exit the stage and the process repeated if there are multiple groups, once the athlete presentation is finished the technical officials' presentation will immediately follow.

- Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome the technical officials for the (men's/women's) X kg category.
 - The Chief referee from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - The Left Side referee from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - The Right Side referee from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - The Technical controller from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - The President of the jury from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - The members of the jury (*announce in order from J1-J3*) from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name).
 - The Technical delegate from X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name)

6 minutes before the competition starts

- Attention coaches, one-minute remaining for changes to the first attempt.
5 minutes before the competition starts
- Attention coaches, no more changes allowed to the first attempt.

WPPO Recognised Competitions Only – 5 minutes before the competition starts

To announce all the athletes competing in the category by group in order of first attempt as listed on the printed start list. Athletes will not proceed to the stage

- Ladies and Gentlemen, the athletes competing in the (men's/women's) X kg category, Group X (Groups presented individually C, B, A).
- Representing X (country name) X X (Athlete First Name, Athlete Last Name)
The process is repeated if there are multiple and or combined groups/bodyweight categories.

Once the athlete presentation is finished the technical officials' presentation will immediately follow. Announce one (1) by one (1) (by country and full name) each of the referees, the jury members and then the TD for the session, whilst being introduced they will remain in their competition seating positions.

2 minutes before the competition

- Referees and Spotter Loaders please take your positions on the field of play.
- Spotter Loaders please pre-load the bar to X kg (weight for the first athlete)

1 minute before the competition

- Ladies and Gentlemen please take your seats, welcome to *(name of competition)*.
- *Speaker/announcer: To hype up the audience (e.g. We have 10 lifters, from 8 countries, battling it out for Gold, who will come out on top etc.)*
- Final seconds countdown: 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0
- *Speaker/announcer: Energetic countdown ending with a bang (e.g. Who is ready for POWERLIFTING! Let's see some heavy LIFTING! etc).*

During Competition

- Loaders, load the bar to X kg, Rack height X
Chief referee will verbally inform the TA when the bar is loaded
- For the X attempt (first, second or third) representing X (country name) X X (First Name, Last Name)
 - *Speaker/announcer: To add additional details (e.g. For his first attempt, 3 time Paralympic and 2-time World Champion from Egypt, lifting 3 times his bodyweight, the unstoppable, the unbeatable Sherif Osmannnnnnn!)*

2 minute countdown begins or 3 minutes only if an athlete follows themselves. Should the countdown clock reach 00:00 and the Chief Referee has not provided the start command the TA must announce:

- Time Elapsed, No lift

Only once the result of the lift is shown either on the attempt board or by the raising of referee flags if 2 or more white lights/flags are visible then the TA should announce with a tone that represents excitement and an increased volume:

- Gooooood Lift!

Only once the result of the lift is shown either on the attempt board or by the raising of referee flags if 2 or more red lights/flags are visible the TA should announce with a neutral tone:

- No lift. (from time to time TA should encourage the spectators to cheer the athlete)

Once the outcome of the lift has been announced the process is continually repeated and the bar is requested to be loaded for the next athlete.

- *Speaker/announcer: Following the final lift in each round, summarise the round (e.g. that concludes round 1 of lifting Chile's Juan Garrido remains in Gold position with a successful lift of 162kg).*

Should the attempt be a potential new record (in round 1-3) then after the athlete has been called to the stage the TA should announce:

- If this attempt is successful then it will be a new X (record type) record.

If the attempt is unsuccessful just no lift is announced, if the lift is successful the TA should announce:

- Gooooood Lift! and a new X (record type) record.

If there is more than one competing group in that session (group A, B etc) then at exactly 4 lifts before the end of the current competing group (third round) before it is announced to load the bar the TA should announce:

- Attention coaches, final call for any changes to the first attempt for the next group.

Then at exactly 3 lifts before the end of the current competing group (third round) before it is announced to load the bar the TA should announce:

- Attention coaches, no more changes to the first attempt for the next group.

Athletes are permitted to request the Power Lift (a 4th attempt) for record breaking purposes. If the Power Lift is granted the TA should announce:

- Load the bar to X kg, Rack height X
- For The Power Lift! from X (country name) X X (First Name, Last Name)
- If this attempt is successful then it will be a new X (record type) record.

If the attempt is unsuccessful just no lift is announced, if the lift is successful the TA should announce:

- Gooooo Lift! and a new X (record type) record.
- *Speaker/announcer: Key moment to maintain the high excitement of the crowd. (e.g. Gooooo Lift! and new World Record from the unstoppable Zoe Brown, put your hands together for Zoe ladies and Gentlemen, a huge lift, 125kg and a new world record!!!)*

Other Announcements

Should there be an unplanned interruption to the competition due to things like technical errors, equipment malfunctions or failure, the TA should announce

- Ladies and gentleman we are just having a brief technical stop, thank you for your patience the competition will resume shortly.

When an athlete receives a no lift they have the opportunity to request a technical challenge, if the technical challenge is accepted the result will be overturned and this should be announced by the TA:

- Ladies and gentlemen a technical challenge has been lodged for the X (1st, 2nd, 3rd or Power Lift) attempt from X (Country name) X X (First Name, Last Name). The technical challenge has been accepted and their lift of X kg is a good lift.

Close of the competition

- Ladies and gentlemen, this now concludes the competition in (men's/women's) X kg category.
- *Speaker/announcer: To provide so closing details (e.g. What an excellent competition that was with bronze going to Canada's Jane Spark, silver to Colombia's Natalia Caldron and Gold to Uzbekistan's Samira Nurzultan with a winning lift of 99kg, congratulations to all our athletes).*
- Thank you very much for your attention and please remain seated for the victory ceremony which will follow shortly.

Victory Ceremonies

For competitions where there are junior and senior medal events the junior ceremony shall always take place first. At regional championships where there are both open and regional medal events, the open medal ceremony shall always take place first.

- Ladies and gentlemen, the Victory Ceremony for the (open/regional) (Junior/Senior) (men's/women's) X kg category, (*pause, then when athletes are in the middle of the ramp*) please welcome the medallists.

When the athletes are behind the podium and the presenters in their position:

- The medals will be presented by X (Full title) X X (First Name, Last Name), accompanied by X (Full title) X X (First Name, Last Name).

- Bronze Medallist, representing X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name).

Athlete steps onto podium and receives the medal and gift

- Silver Medallist, representing X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name).

Athlete steps onto podium and receives the medal and gift. If the Medallist has also broken a record, this should be announced.

- Gold Medallist and the X (Regional, World, Paralympic etc) Champion and X (World, Regional, Junior World etc) record holder, representing X (country) X X (First Name, Last Name).

Athlete steps onto podium and receives the medal and gift.

- Ladies and Gentlemen, please rise if you are able, for the national anthem of X (Gold Medallist Country).

Playing of the national anthem and rising of the national flags. If they are Championships medallists, it should be announced.

- Ladies and Gentlemen, the (open/regional) (Junior/Senior) (men's/women's) X kg category (World/Regional) Championship(s) Medallists.

For team events the victory ceremony announcements are repeated as below:

- Ladies and gentlemen, the Victory Ceremony for the (men's/women's) X kg category team event, please welcome the medallists.

- The medals will be presented by X (Full title) X X (First Name, Last Name), accompanied by X (Full title) X X (First Name, Last Name).

- Bronze Medallists, representing X (country) X X and X (Athlete 1 Full Name, Athlete 2 Full Name and Athlete 3 Full Name).

Athletes step onto podium and receive the medals and gifts

- Silver Medallists, representing X (country) X X and X (Athlete 1 Full Name, Athlete 2 Full Name and Athlete 3 Full Name).

Athletes step onto podium and receive the medals and gifts.

- Gold Medallists representing X (country) X X and X (Athlete 1 Full Name, Athlete 2 Full Name and Athlete 3 Full Name).

Athletes step onto podium and receive the medals and gifts.

- Ladies and Gentlemen, please rise if you are able, for the national anthem of X (Gold Medallist Country).

Playing of the national anthem and rising of the national flags.

- Ladies and Gentlemen, the (men's/women's) X kg category Team Medallists.

At the end of the Victory Ceremony

- We now conclude today's session of the X (competition name). We invite you to join us again at X (time, today/tomorrow) for the (men's/women's) X kg category.