



**Membership Application and Renewal Form**

**POLICY ON DRUG CONTROL**

The BDFPA recognises and condemns the dangers of drug use within sport, and in powerlifting in particular. It is committed to the education of all sportspeople as to the dangers and futility of drug use in sport. The BDFPA conducts rigorous drug testing, both in competitions and as NO NOTICE out-of-competition tests. Any member testing positive will be expelled from the BDFPA for life and have their records and titles removed without fear or favour, and their results will be permanently published, subject to a right of appeal. A full list of banned substances can be obtained from the Drug Control Secretary.

Please print clearly in **BLOCK CAPITALS**, or complete this form as a Word document. In both cases, please **SIGN this document BY HAND**.

<b>NAME</b>				<b>NATIONALITY</b>	
<b>ADDRESS</b>				<input type="checkbox"/> MALE	<input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
	<b>POST CODE</b>				
<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	/	/	<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		
			<b>HOME TEL NO.</b>	<b>MOBILE</b>	

**NOTE: It is a condition of membership that you give AT LEAST ONE CURRENT TELEPHONE NUMBER, for drug testing purposes. You must also inform the Membership Registrar of any change of the details above, including absence from home address for two weeks or more.**

<b>Occupation</b>		<b>Emergency contact (name, phone)</b>	
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<b>BDFPA Division (See list below*)</b>		<b>If you are a BDFPA Club Member, which Club?</b>	
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The current list of BDFPA affiliated clubs is at [www.bdfpa.co.uk](http://www.bdfpa.co.uk). If you are unsure whether your club is affiliated, ask the Membership Registrar.

Are you a qualified Referee?	YES	NO	At what level?	DIV	NAT	INT	When last refereed (date)?	/	/
Are you a qualified coach?	YES	NO	At what level?				At which Competition?		

Are you joining the BDFPA for the first time?	YES	NO	
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Are you currently a member of any other Powerlifting Organisation?	YES	NO	If so, which organisation?
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I understand I do freely enter into an agreement with the BRITISH DRUG FREE POWERLIFTING ASSOCIATION and pledge to support the above policy on drug control. I shall not consume or administer to myself any substance considered by the BDFPA to be a banned substance. Further, I shall not administer any such substance to any other person, or enter into any barter or trade in substances banned by the BDFPA. I shall at all times be circumspect in my dealings with food supplements and patent medicines. I do not belong to, and will not join, a non-drug-tested powerlifting federation.

I shall at all times make myself available for drug testing at short notice, and I understand that a refusal or an attempt to avoid testing is considered a positive test. I accept that it is my responsibility to make myself aware of what is considered a banned substance by the BDFPA. I shall at all times keep the Membership Registrar and the Drug Control Secretary informed of any change of email, home address or telephone number, including holidays if longer than fourteen days. I understand that a failure to do so may result in my membership being suspended.

I consent to the BDFPA processing the personal data provided here to keep me updated about forthcoming events and activities, and for administration and analysis. I understand that my details will be shared with Divisional Representatives and competition organisers, and with other World Drug Free Powerlifting Federation associations outside the UK. I understand that my data will be retained permanently in the case of a lifetime ban. I understand that the BDFPA will publish photographs of competitions, and I that I have the right to ask for photographs of me not to be published.

I understand that if any information I have given is inaccurate, the BDFPA reserves the right to refuse my membership without explanation or refund.

**NOTE: Reformed drug users may join the BDFPA, subject to a ten-year clean period and a twelve-month trial period where no titles or records can be claimed. If you belong to this category, please tick the box and an officer of the Association will contact you.**

**PLEASE SIGN BY HAND. Typed signatures will NOT be accepted. Please post the completed form, or scan it and email it to the address below.**

<b>Lifter's Signature (and if under 18, Guardian's Name and Signature)</b>		<b>DATE</b>	/	/
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**Please tick the type of membership you are applying for:**  Individual Member: £32.50  Individual Teen/Student Member: £22.50  
 Individual Over-65 Member: £22.50  Affiliated Club Member: £20.00  Teen/Student Affiliated Club Member: £14.00  
 Over-65 Affiliated Club Member: £14.  Official (Non Lifting) Member: Free **NOTE: Members of the Armed Forces and the Police qualify as Club members.**

I enclose a cheque/postal order (No. \_\_\_\_\_) made payable to the BDFPA for £\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of my membership. **OR**  
 I include a scan of a bank transfer confirmation for £\_\_\_\_\_ to the BDFPA, sort code 54-41-51, account 50948393, reference [Last Name] Member.  
 Tick here if you are over 25 and you are applying for a Teen/Student membership, to confirm you include a copy or scan of your current student card.

**Please post the completed form to:** **Dr Catherine Walter, BDFPA Membership Registrar, Linacre College, St Cross Road, Oxford OX1 3JA**  
**or scan it and email it to:** **bdfpa.membership@gmail.com**

BDFPA DIVISIONS			
<b>EASTERN COUNTIES</b>	Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Cambridgeshire, Huntingdon	<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	Northamptonshire, Leicestershire Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Oxfordshire
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	Yorkshire, North Humberside, Cleveland, Durham, Northumberland, (Inc. Tyne & Wear)	<b>NORTHERN IRELAND</b>	
<b>NORTH MIDLANDS</b>	Cheshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, South Humberside	<b>NORTH WEST</b>	Lancashire, Cumberland, Westmoreland, Isle of Man
<b>SCOTLAND</b>		<b>SOUTHERN COUNTIES</b>	Berkshire, Wiltshire, Hampshire, Dorset, Isle of Wight, Channel Islands
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	Greater London, Surrey, Kent, Sussex	<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	Cornwall, Devon, Somerset
<b>WALES</b>		<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	Shropshire, Staffordshire, Worcestershire, Herefordshire, Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, West Midlands

**If your form is not fully filled in, you will not receive your membership confirmation until you provide the Membership Registrar with all details.**

## MEMBERSHIP OF THE BRITISH DRUG-FREE POWERLIFTING ASSOCIATION

1. Application for membership or renewal of membership of the BDFPA is obtained by the submission of a completed form. This will include the applicant's signature to a covenant of support for the Association's drug control/drug testing policies. Members must be normally resident in the United Kingdom, or hold UK or dual nationality.
2. Only current BDFPA members may participate in lifting events (at any level) sanctioned by the Association, and only current members may hold official positions within the BDFPA.
3. All members of the BDFPA must be generally available for drug testing (including **out-of-competition** testing) as determined by the Association or its representatives.
4. The BDFPA will consider applications for membership from former drug users who have ceased the use of all drugs for a minimum of ten years. In the first instance, ex-drug users may compete in BDFPA competitions as guests only, with a proviso that they be classified as associate members without voting rights, for a trial period of one year.
5. The BDFPA shall not discriminate against any member on the ground of sex, age, disability, race, religion or belief, or involve itself with any organisation which discriminates against persons on the grounds of sex, age, disability, race, religion or belief.
6. Inmates of HM Prisons may be accepted and accorded all BDFPA rights and status where practical to do so.

### **INDIVIDUALS INELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP**

The BDFPA maintains the right if it so chooses, to refuse membership to individuals who:

- a) Are currently under suspension from the BDFPA/WDFPF.
- b) Have previously been expelled from the BDFPA/WDFPF.
- c) Are currently or have been previously suspended by other organizations for offences connected with drugs usage.
- d) Have a history of anti-social behaviour or drug abuse.
- e) Have been or are currently involved with organisations or associations whose aims or stance is not considered compatible with the aims and/or stance of the BDFPA/WDFPF.
- f) Have in any way aided or abetted individuals to drug abuse.
- g) Have in any way helped or supported athletes/lifters or sports people to pursue their sporting endeavours when known to be abusing drugs, or those who have supported or participated with organisations whose stance or drug control is not considered by the BDFPA to be compatible with the aims and/or stance of the BDFPA/WDFPF.
- h) Have been or are currently involved with organisations which have patently failed to do everything possible to stop drug abuse or have sought to bring drug control methods into disrepute.
- i) Have been or are currently involved with organisations that accept as competitors, athletes/lifters under suspension or life ban for drug abuse or anti-social behaviour.
- j) For any reason - if the National Council feels that in any way the applicant is unsuitable. In such cases the applicant may not be granted membership. The National Council reserves the right to exclude such an applicant without the need to give grounds for such exclusion.

**The BDFPA is a governing body unequivocally committed to drug-free sport in general, and to drug-free powerlifting in particular. Accordingly, by accepting membership of the BDPFA all members, lifters and officials share and promote these convictions. Member's total support for, and co-operation with, the drug control and testing policies of the Association is fundamental to ensuring that the BDPFA remains drug free, and consequently the drug control policy will be strictly enforced at all times.**