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Subject: World Games 2025 Chengdu, China

Dear Representatives,

On Monday 26th June 2023 Maike, Pete, and myself had an online meeting with Sebastian Garvens, sports director of IWGA. The meeting was in regards the Tug of War at the 2025 World Games in Chengdu China.

Sebastian outlined the following:

1. Outdoor competition only;
2. Host county to participate;
3. Weights men, women & mix;
4. Continents in total;
5. Continents per weight class.

Some of you might ask why outdoor and not indoor. Our motivation as Exco from the beginning was for both indoor and outdoor. Unfortunately from the start of our conversation with Sebastian we knew that this would not happen. The IWGA (International World Games Association) from the beginning were adamant that only one discipline would be accepted and their preference was outdoor.

IWGA is obligating us to have at least 3 continents overall during the World Games and two continents active per weight class. We explained to Sebastian that we need to keep the standard of competition at a high level in order to show everyone our sport and to keep the door open for inclusion in the Olympics.

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2023, TWIF Exco had an online meeting and we discussed the issue raised. Regarding the weight classes in each category we took into consideration the survey out vice president Jost has done, where he outlined

that in every weight class teams were falling short by several kilograms in all the categories men, women and mix.

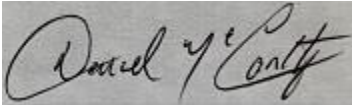
So in order to comply as much as possible with the request from IWGA to accommodate the host country and other continents we have decided on the following weights:

Men 640 kg;  
Mix 580 kg;  
Women 500 kg.

Qualification for the World Games will take place at the outdoor World Championships in Mannheim 2024, where we will monitor what happens.

I hope the above is clear to everyone but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate and ask.

Yours in Sport,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light grey background. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Dan McCarthy".

Dan. McCarthy  
President TWIF.