

## Memorandum of Understanding between the NZPF and SONZ

Special Olympics New Zealand (SONZ) and New Zealand Powerlifting Federation (NZPF) mutually agreed to enter a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), effective from October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

The purpose of this MOU is to record the principles and objectives that both parties expect to underpin their ongoing relationship and to highlight the process that both intend to follow to give effect to the arrangement.

Key principles of the agreement include:

## **Objectives**

- Ensure SONZ athletes have access to locally delivered training and volunteers have access to up to date coaching resources.
- Improve the standard of competition around NZ and provide quality training opportunities for athletes.
- Increase awareness and promote acceptance of SONZ athletes within the NZPF.

## **Roles & Responsibilities**

- NZPF will provide a National Liaison Officer to help support powerlifting activity nationally.
- NZPF will work with all SONZ clubs across NZ.
- SONZ will ensure all Tier 2 and Tier 3 competitions use NZPF approved referees.
- NZPF will provide competition standard equipment, qualified staff, spotters and referees for the National Summer Games.

## Other Information

- All Special Olympics Powerlifting athletes must be registered with SONZ
- Athletes and coaches will not be required to pay any membership fees above and beyond NZPF standard membership fees.

Further questions around the strategy SONZ and NZPF are adopting to support the growth of Powerlifting should be directed to Gary Peacham (Sports Director, SONZ) at <a href="mailto:sport@specialolympics.org.nz">sport@specialolympics.org.nz</a>



