

WABDL_{LLC} – Northern National Bench Press and Deadlift Championship

When: Saturday, August 8, 2026

Where: Iron Pride Gym, 2258 South Milford Rd, Highland, MI, 48357

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| Name: | Last | | First | | |
| | Male | Age | WT CLASS | Membership Number(if available): | |
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This is a World Championship Qualifier: The top three finishers in every weight class of every division qualify for the **World Championships at Horseshoe Hotel & Casino Las Vegas, Nevada November 18-22, 2026**. You may enter either bench press or dead lift or both, but you do not have to do both. You may lift in one or two divisions of the bench press or dead lift or both. **YOU MUST INDICATE ON THIS ENTRY WHETHER YOU WILL BE LIFTING SINGLE-PLY OR DOUBLE-PLY OR RAW IN THE DIVISIONS.** You must choose one for the competition. You may not choose one for one division and another for a second division. Please note we do have a "raw" division where you may set world records. **NO CHANGES IN PLY, DIVISION, OR WEIGHT CLASS AFTER THE FINAL DATE July 18. PLEASE MARK THIS CAREFULLY**

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| 1. Bench Division(s): | Bench Ply: | OFFICE USE: | FINANCIAL STRUCTURE Please note the new fee configuration: adults/teens 1 division = \$75/55 (one of dead lift, bench press, or push-pull) 2 divisions = \$130/105 (two of these: dead lift, bench press or push-pull) This pattern applies for all multiple divisions. 3 divisions = \$170/140 4 divisions = \$200/165 5 divisions = \$225/185 6 divisions = \$250/205 Call with Questions: Gus: (503) 901-1622 or Matt Ogurek (248)520-5187 |
| 2. Bench Division(s): | SINGLE, DOUBLE, OR RAW | B 1: CSR _____ B 1: CWR _____ B 2: CSR _____ B 2: CWR _____ | |
| 1. Dead Lift Division(s): | Dead Lift Ply: | OFFICE USE: | |
| 2. Dead Lift Division(s): | SINGLE, DOUBLE, OR RAW | D 1: CSR _____ D 1: CWR _____ D 2: CSR _____ D 2: CWR _____ | |
| 1. Push-Pull Division(s): | Push-Pull Ply: | OFFICE USE: | |
| 2. Push-Pull Division(s): | (must be same as B and D) SINGLE, DOUBLE, OR RAW | PP 1: PPSR _____ PP 1: PPWR _____ PP 2: PPSR _____ PP 2: PPWR _____ | |
| Entry Deadline: Entry fee and entry form must be in hand July 18, 2026. Please note: NO CHANGE IN PLY, DIVISION, OR WEIGHT CLASS after July 22, 2026. Refunds are given up to eleven (11) days prior to the contest. Send completed entry form and applicable fees to: Gus Rethwisch PO Box 27499 Golden Vally, MN, 55427 (Make checks payable to WABDL) | | | Card Fees: Adults = \$55 Teens = \$40 Card fee: \$ _____ Total number of divisions _____ = \$ _____ Total fees due \$ _____ |

This contest will be drug-tested with the highest coefficients selected. **Every lifter will be required to have a current WABDL card.** Please purchase a card in advance if yours will not be current on the day of the meet.

EQUIPMENT & RULES: For the "raw" division in dead lift, the following may be worn: singlet, groove briefs (absolutely no power pants of any kind), erector shirt, knee wraps or knee sleeves including those with Velcro straps, wrist wraps and belt. For the "raw" division in bench press, the following may be worn: singlet, T-shirt, erector shirt, groove briefs, knee wraps or knee sleeves, including those with Velcro straps, wrist wraps and belt. For single lifters see the website; for double-ply lifters a double-ply bench shirt and a double-ply dead lift shirt MUST BE from the manufacturer. A double-ply bench shirt has to be double-ply in the entire front. No single-ply shirt that is modified with extra layers WILL EVER PASS FOR A DOUBLE-PLY SHIRT. ALSO, THAT MODIFIED SHIRT IS NO LONGER LEGAL FOR SINGLE OR DOUBLE-PLY. If you want to compete in double-ply bench you have to buy a stock double-ply shirt from Inzer, Titan, F8, or Metal that is secured at the neck. The neckline has to be one complete circle, not split. The Inzer, Titan, F8, and Metal double-ply squat suits and double-ply dead lift suits are legal. The metal Jack suit is three-ply and is not legal. There are no fourth attempts allowed for push-pull, and they don't count toward push-pull totals if taken for bench press and/or dead lift; and no fourth attempts allowed in bench press or dead lift IN RAW unless the third attempt is good. Rules can be found at: <http://wabdl.org/rules.php>.

Disclaimer-Read Careful: When you sign, legal rights will be surrendered. I, _____, hereby for myself and my heirs release any and all rights/claims for damages or injuries I may have against, WABDL_{LLC}, the WABDL president, the meet director, meet site, and any and all participating sponsors, supporters, referees, spotters-loaders, or any other authorized meet personal as a result of my traveling to, participating in, or traveling from this WABDL contest. I make this release and waiver claim with full knowledge of the hazards and with the understanding I inherent all risks associated with the above-mentioned competition. I expressly, assume the risk of injury if using the thumb-less or "suicide" bench press grip and any and all property damage/loss. Moreover, I agree that any testing method, which the WABDL president uses to detect the presence of strength-inducing drugs shall be conclusive. If it is determined that I have failed the drug test I agree to waive any claim for which legal relief is available. I agree to pay any attorney fees and litigation expenses incurred by any person, real or corporate, whom I may sue in an effort to challenge this release from liability. I understand that my agreement to pay attorney fees and litigation expenses is the *sine qua non* for the acceptance of my entry for this contest.

Signature _____ (Guardian if under 18) Date _____

DIVISIONS/WEIGHT CLASSES for Both Bench Press and Dead Lift
(Please note! Just push-pull category does not qualify for a team spot)

ELITE OPEN HAS BEEN RETIRED AS OF MAY 1, 2022. Records for this division will stand, but the division is no longer active. Records for Elite will count if it surpasses the Elite Open limit

Open Men: Male lifters will compete in the following weight classes: 114, 123, 132, 148, 165, 181, 198, 220, 242, 259, 275, 308, SHW

Open Women: Female lifters will compete in the following weight classes: 97, 105, 114, 123, 132, 148, 165, 181, 198, 220 and 221+ (Super)

Class 1 Men: Bench Press: Any male lifter, who has lifted less than the following weight in any and all sanctioned competitions including all other past and present Federations, may compete in the Class 1 division. These are the qualifying amounts listed first by weight class and second by amount: 105 – 242.5#, 114 – 275.5#, 123 – 314.0#, 132 – 352.5#, 148 – 385.7#, 165 – 424.2#, 181 – 448.4#, 198 – 479.5#, 220 – 501.5#, 242 – 523.5#, 259 – 540.0#, 275 – 551.0#, 308 – 573.0#, SHW – 595.0# (PLEASE NOTE: There are no World Records for the Class 1 division)

Class 1 Men: Dead Lift: Any male lifter who has lifted less than the following in any and all sanctioned contests: 105 – 352.5#, 114 – 391.2#, 123 – 424.2#, 132 – 452.8#, 148 – 496.0#, 165 – 540.0#, 181 – 573.0#, 198 – 601.8#, 220 – 628.2#, 242 – 650.2#, 259 – 667.8#, 275 – 683.2#, 308 – 699.7#, SHW – 711.8#

(PLEASE NOTE: There are no World Records for the Class 1 division)

Class 1 Women: Bench Press: Any female lifter, who has lifted less than the following weight in any and all sanctioned competitions including all other past and present Federations, may compete in the Class 1 division. These are the qualifying amounts listed first by weight class and second by amount: 97- 115.5# 105 – 132.2#, 114 – 143.2#, 123 – 154.2#, 132 – 165.2#, 148 – 181.7#, 165 – 187.2#, 181 – 198.2#, 198 – 214.2#, 220 – 225.7#, 221+ (Super) – 236.7#

(PLEASE NOTE: There are no World Records for the Class 1 division)

Class 1 Women: Dead Lift: Any female lifter, who has lifted less than the following weight in any and all sanctioned competitions including all other past and present Federations, may compete in the Class 1 division. These are the qualifying amounts listed first by weight class and second by amount: 97 – 225.7#, 105 – 259.0#, 114 – 286.5#, 123 – 314.0#, 132 – 330.5#, 148 – 344.8#, 165 – 363.7#, 181 – 374.7#, 198 – 385.7#, 220 – 396.7#, 221+ (Super) – 404.4#

(PLEASE NOTE: There are no World Records for the Class 1 division)

Junior Men and Junior Women: Any lifter age 20-25 will compete in all weight classes.

Master Men – Master Women: Age groups 40-46, 47-53, 54-60, 61-67, 68-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89 and over will compete in all weight classes as specified in Open Men and Open Women.

Law/Fire/Military Men – Law/Fire/Military Women **NEW MILITARY DIVISION!: All weight classes will be contested for Open, Submaster 33-39, Master 40-47, Master 48-55, Master 56-63,**

****NEW MASTER AGE GROUPS** for Law/Fire/Military: Master 64-71, Master 72-79, Master 80-85, Master 86+ | Teen Men and Teen Women:** Age groups 12-13, 14-15, 16-17, and 18-19 (new divisions) will be contested in all weight classes including 97# and 105. **TEENS AGES 12-13 MAY ONLY LIFT IN TEEN DIVISIONS and MAY NOT LIFT IN DOUBLE PLY.**

Submaster Men – Submaster Women: Men and women ages 33-39 will compete in all weight classes

Special Olympian/Disabled Men & Women: All weight classes will be contested (PLEASE NOTE: There are no World Awards for the Special Olympian division)

****NEW AGE GROUPS** Disabled 1 Men and Women:** Any lifter who has paralysis of any limb or is missing any limb, any lifter who doesn't have total use of any limb (i.e. Parkinson's, Lou Gehrig's diseases, MS etc.) and blind – all weight classes will be contested; ****New Age groups for Men & Women: 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-85, & 85+**

****NEW AGE GROUPS** Disabled 2 Men and Women:** Any lifter with hip, knee or shoulder replacement, Tourette's disease, open heart surgery, organ transplants, debilitating arthritis, and other serious illness (discussed on a case-by-case basis) – all weight classes will be contested; ****New Age groups for Men & Women: 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-85, & 85+**

Band Shirts (Single, Double, Triple ply only) – Open Men & Women, Men & Women 20-32, Submaster Men & Women 33-39, Master Men & Women 40-46, Master Men & Women 47-53, Master Men & Women 54-60, Master Men & Women 61-69, Teen Men & Women 17-19* (*CLOSED BACK SINGLE PLY ONLY)

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