

Classification Information Sheet

Athletes with an Intellectual Disability

Introduction

This information is intended to be a laypersons guide to classification for athletes who have an intellectual disability. It is not to be used to make classification or athlete selection decisions. The classification of athletes in this sport is performed by authorised classifiers according to the classification rules of the sport, which are determined by the International Federation for the sport. Sport Classification Rules change from time to time, and this guide represents the classification system current at the date of publication.

The classification system is determined by the international federation for each sport. For intellectual disability (ID) sport this is INAS-FID. Classification for athletes with an intellectual disability within Australia is co-ordinated by AUSRAPID.

What is the Minimal Disability?

In order to be eligible to compete in a sport as an athlete with a disability, it is not sufficient simply to have a disability. Specific and objective testing is used to determine whether a person's disability results in sufficient limitation of their ability to perform the core elements of the relevant sport.

Disability Group	Minimal Disability – GUIDE ONLY
Intellectual Disability	<p>The following criteria must be met in order for athletes to meet the minimal disability criteria.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Significant impairment in intellectual functioning as indicated by a full scale score of 75 or lower on an internationally recognized and professionally administered IQ test (eg a WISC-R or WAIS-III) 2. Significant limitations in adaptive behaviour as expressed in conceptual, social, and practical adaptive skills 3. Developmental Evidence of Intellectual disability prior to 18 years of age. 4. Evidence of functional impact of intellectual disability on sport specific skills as per Sport Information and Consequences Questionnaire (SIC-Q).

Athletes with an Intellectual Disability can compete in the following Paralympic sports:

Athletics, Swimming, Rowing and Table Tennis.

An AUSRAPID Eligibility process needs to be completed by athletes participating in sport at State and National level. This form can be found at the AURAPID links at the bottom of the page.



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Further Information

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Related Links

Australian Paralympic Committee Website:

<http://www.paralympic.com.au/>

AUSRAPID

<http://www.ausrapid.org.au/ContentPages/eligibility.htm>

International Federation for sport for athletes with an intellectual disability (INAS-FID).

<http://www.inas-fid.org/athletereg.html>

International Paralympic Committee (IPC)

<http://www.paralympic.org/>

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