IBD Bowls Classification System

- B1 Totally blind, no light perception in either eye up to light perception but the inability to recognise the shape of a hand at any distance or in any direction.
- B2 Partially sighted, ability to recognise the shape of a hand up to a visual acuity of 2/60 and/or visual field of less than 5 degrees.
- B3 Partially sighted, visual acuity above 2/60 up to 6/60 and/or visual field of more than 5 degrees and less than 20 degrees.
- B4 Severely disabled bowlers such as tetraplegics or severe cerebral palsy, unable to use a bowl larger than 64mm diameter.
- B5 Ambulant and wheelchair bowlers with restricted grip and upper body limb function, poor balance and co-ordination, unable to bowl a full length jack.
- B6 Ambulant and wheelchair bowlers with reduced balance function (loss of 5 points or more) but able to bowl a full length jack.
- B7 Ambulant and wheelchair bowlers with minor balance problems (loss of less than 5 points).
- B8 Ambulant and wheelchair bowlers who have a permanent and irreversible disability but with no noticeable impairment of function.