



Officials Development Programme Level 2 Award in Officiating Boccia - Process

Stage 1 - Mentoring

- Mentoring takes place at Level 1 competitions. In England this includes; National Boccia League matches, Heathcoat Cup Rounds, BE Cup Rounds.
- The schedule for mentoring and officiating will be assigned before or during the competition, in conjunction with the Head Referee. Where possible mentoring will take place at the start of the day.
- At any one competition, an official on the programme can expect at least one match to be mentored. Other matches throughout the competition will be officiated un-mentored.
- Officials will be mentored during a minimum of 5 x BC1-BC8 matches and at least:
 - 1 x BC3 match
 - 1 x individual match
 - 1 x team/pair match
- Officials may be mentored by a different Officials Developer for each match.
- A full mentoring session will involve;
 - Pre session: meet and introduce Official / Officials Developer. Explain expectations. Officials Developer to observe any previous mentor documents.
 - Session: the mentored match. The mentoring document will include comments and feedback in all available boxes. The Officials Developer will be in close proximity to the field of play but will not intervene with the match.
 - Post-session: questioning, reflections and feedback directly after the match. Official to keep one copy of the mentor sheet, and a second copy (photo copy / scan / picture) to be returned to Boccia England.
- Officials may require more than 5 mentored matches to reach assessment competency, and no maximum number of mentored matches can be reached. An individual's suitability for the programme may need to be discussed on a case by case basis after a prolonged period of mentoring.
- Progression: The Officials Developer can formally recommend the official for assessment after the official's last mentored match (number 5 or above) and once they believe the official is competent for the assessment.

Stage 2 - Assessment

- Following completion of 'Stage 1 – Mentoring', or as part of the Fast Track scheme, officials will progress to a match assessment that holds a final rating of 'competent' or 'not yet competent'.
- Assessments can take place at Level 1 competitions (as per mentoring) and Level 2 competitions which in England are; BE Cup Play Offs, Heathcoat Cup Final, Super League, League Finals.
- The schedule for assessment will be assigned before or during the competition, in conjunction with the Head Referee.
- Officials may be assessed by a different Officials Developer to their mentored matches.
- Officials will be assessed at a match including BC1-BC5 players. Individuals, pair or team.
- Any Not Yet Seen statuses should be assessed through scenario based questioning or practicals (for measuring). A 'Q' will be added to the comments box and the questioning commentary detailed on the reverse of the page.
- All criteria should ultimately be rated as 'Competent' to pass the assessment. A criteria showing examples of competent versus not yet competent , is provided separately.
- A full assessment session should involve;
 - Pre session: meet and introduce Official / Officials Developer. Explain expectations. Officials Developer to observe any previous mentor documents.
 - Session: the assessed match. The Officials Developer will be in close proximity to the field of play but will not intervene with the match.
 - Post-session: questioning, reflections and feedback directly after the match. Official to keep one copy of the assessment sheet, and a second copy (photo copy / scan / picture) to be returned to Boccia England.
- If the official is determined as competent from the assessment, they will receive a Level 2 award certificate from Boccia England.
- The assessment can be re taken once more if not yet competent (possibly following additional mentoring). This process around this will be determined on a case by case basis.

