BOCCIA ENGLAND

National Championships 2026

Athlete Information Pack

Qualifying Competition
Crawley
Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 June

Thank you for registering to compete in the 2026 Boccia England National Championships. This pack is intended to provide athletes with the essential information for the upcoming competition. If you need additional support, please contact competition@bocciaengland.org.uk

Dates

- Saturday 13 June 2026 – BC1 – BC4
- Sunday 14 June 2026 – BC5 – BC8

Location

K2 Crawley, Pease Pottage Hill, Crawley, RH11 9BQ

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Estimated Competition Times

Saturday 13 June	
Venue open – courts available for warm up	8.00am
Athlete registration	8.00am – 8.30am
First round of fixtures start	9.00am
Expected finish time	5.30pm

Sunday 14 June	
Venue open – courts available for warm up	8.00am
Athlete registration	8.00am – 9.00am
First round of fixtures start	9.30am
Expected finish time	4.30pm

Boccia England Contact

Will Evans – 07809 374771

Venue Facilities

Car Parking

Ample car parking is available on-site, including accessible spaces.

Toilets and changing facilities

Toilets are available throughout the facility, including accessible toilets and a Changing Places facility.

First Aid and Welfare

A full first aid kit will be available within the hall for minor incidents. Please make the Head Referee and event management team aware.

Any general welfare or safeguarding concerns over the weekend can be reported to Will Evans either in-person or on 07809 374 771. Concerns can also be reported to Boccia England using our website - Safeguarding | Boccia England

Watch our competition safeguarding introduction video – click here.

Café

The on-site café will be open on both days.

Spectator facilities

Spectators will be welcome within the sports hall and seating will be provided. We ask all spectators to remain at the end of the courts throughout play.

Fixtures and Competition Format

Up to date information and announcements will be available on the Boccia England website – click here

Fixtures for all classifications will be managed via BCMS, which will also provide score updates throughout the competition. Click here to view fixtures for this competition.

Important messages will also be shared on WhatsApp using the Boccia England National Championships Community. Click here to join the Crawley Qualifying Competition WhatsApp Group.

Competition formats will vary depending on the classification and the number of athletes participating in that competition. Entry numbers and formats for each classification in this qualifying competition are shown below

In classifications with more than eight athletes registered, play will be in “Divisions”. Allocation of athletes into Divisions will be upon English rankings, which can be viewed on Boccia England’s website – click here.

Higher ranked players will play in ‘Division A’, with others playing in ‘Division B.’ Full qualification points will be awarded for Division A results and an amended format will be used for ‘Division B.’

This approach is intended to enable a meaningful competitive experience for all athletes, as well as enabling competitions to function effectively and to time.

Warm-up, Call Rooms and Equipment Checks

The venue will be open prior to the start of play to permit warm-ups and calibration. There will also be practice court spaces available throughout both competition days. Athletes can make use of these spaces at any time. Please be considerate of other athletes and ongoing matches when using these spaces.

There will be no call room operating at this competition. To ensure fixtures start on time please be at your match court 10 minutes ahead of the scheduled time.

Referees may request an equipment check at any time and athletes will be expected to have equipment that is fully compliant. Equipment checking facilities will be available at, or near, the Head Referee's desk.

Boccia England will ensure spare ball sets are available in case they are needed during the competition.

Results

Live results will be available throughout the competition on the BCMS system. Details will be provided to athletes in advance and throughout the venue.

A full summary, including finishing positions will be available on the Boccia England website following the event.

Live Streaming, Photography & Filming

We intend to live stream one court during this competition. Full details of this will be shared on Boccia England's social media accounts.

Participants will be asked to give consent for photography and filming at the point of entry. Should there be any concerns about this or changes to be made, please contact Boccia England – competition@bocciaengland.org.uk or 0115 967 8455.

Recording of matches, whether video or photograph, is reserved for approved users.

Reminder that competition is subject to the Boccia England code of conduct – click here

Qualification for National Championship Finals

Points will be awarded to players at the end of each qualification round based upon their finishing position at that event. Points will be awarded as shown in the table below.

Position	Points
1st	15
2nd	12
3rd	10
4th	8
5th	6

6th	4
7th	2
8th+	1

Where two divisions are in place for a classification, the above points will be awarded to those competing in Division A. Qualification points for Division B will be as below

Position	Points
1st	4
2nd	3
3rd	2
4th +	1

Playing Rules & Regulations

All competitions will ordinarily follow the World Boccia Rules and Competition Manual. Where an exception is required to ensure the integrity of our competition programme, this will be communicated and explained to all relevant parties.

Where no relevant rule exists for a particular circumstance, Boccia England will decide based on fairness and sporting integrity.

During a match, players request a ruling from the Head Referee if they disagree with an official call. The Head Referee's decision is final and play continues.

By entering the Championships, players agree to:

- Follow Boccia England's competition rules, policies, and codes of conduct.
- Accept that Boccia England's decisions are final.

Post-event Feedback Survey

Please help us to continue to develop the National Championships by providing feedback on the Cheltenham Qualifying Competition.

Click here to access the survey.