

Application for IPC Swimming International Classification

This information is to assist the NPCs when requesting classification of their swimmers at championships offering international classifications.

It is recommended that the NPC check the athletes' database for the swimmers classification status.

All athletes participating and requesting international classification must have an IPC Swimming license.

- ✓ Apply to IPC Swimming in the required timeline for a time slot for the classification of swimmer.
- ✓ The NPC must ensure that the athlete has reached the MQS
- ✓ For new athletes NPCs have to complete the Medical Data Submission Form published on the IPC Swimming website (http://www.paralympic.org/release/Summer_Sports/Swimming/Classification). The Form has to be forwarded to IPC Swimming, with the requested medical documentation in English.
- ✓ IPC Swimming will prepare the classification schedule according to the required time slots on a 'first come first serve' bases.
- ✓ If you do not receive confirmation then it is to be assumed that the request has not been received. The confirmation of the time slots will be within a minimum of 14 days prior to the start of the competition.
- ✓ The swimmer is requested to attend classification at the allocated time.
- ✓ Each swimmer is required to be accompanied during the classification procedure. The swimmer will not be classified unaccompanied.
- ✓ If the swimmer does not speak English the swimmer is required to be accompanied with an English speaking person. The non-English speaking swimmer will not be classified when they do not understand the classification procedure.
- ✓ All swimmers are required to complete the consent form prior to the commencement of the test.
- ✓ The swimmer attending classification for visually impaired is required to bring their glasses and/or contact lenses to classification.
- ✓ The swimmer is required to wear a swimming costume for the classification procedure. Underwear is not appropriate.
- ✓ The swimmer with a newly acquired disability e.g. spinal cord lesion, head injury or brain lesion should delay for two [2] years before presenting for classification. This also includes an operation that may affect the ability of the swimmer.
- ✓ If the swimmers diagnosis or syndrome is unusual, medical documentation by an appropriate specialist doctor confirming the diagnosis is required when attending classification. The medical documents are required to be in the swimmers language as well as translated into English. Please see the Medical Data Submission Form on the IPC Swimming website.
- ✓ The swimmer is required to complete the physical examination without pain limiting the application of any of the testing methods.

If you have any swimmers who need to be classified please complete the table below and send it back to ipcswimming@paralympic.org by 23 August 2009.

Swimmers to be classified

NPC: _____

Approximate arrival time in Reykjavik: Day: _____ Time: _____

Name of swimmer: <i>Examples</i>	Date of Birth	Disability information:	Classification (if any):	Classification status:
e.g. Bill Bloggs	16-06-1992	CP hemi right	S7-SB7-SM7	N
e.g. Mary Blank	27-11-1988	Spinal cord injury- para/tetra/spina bifida	S5-SB4-SM5	R

Please add rows according to the need.

Please note:

- All swimmers who do not have international classification are required to attend classification.
- Once IPC Swimming has compiled a list you will be notified of the time and date that your swimmers will be invited for classification.
- You may need to arrange travel for your swimmer who needs classifying accordingly.

PLEASE SEND THE FORM TO IPCSWIMMING@PARALYMPIC.ORG BY 23 AUGUST 2009