

National Classification Process- new applicants

Visual impairments

- Visually impaired athletes must obtain an eligible classification grade from British Blind Sport (BBS) and have a confirmed medical diagnosis which is the cause of the visual impairment.
- Contact BBS via their [website](#) to go through their application process.
- Once you have received your BBS certificate, check if you have been allocated a classification grade which is eligible for conversion into a para equestrian grade.
- If your BBS grade is eligible for conversion, send your BBS classification certificate and medical evidence of the confirmed diagnosis which has caused the vision impairment to the Felicity Towers (BEF Classification Coordinator).
- Your BBS grade will then be converted into a para equestrian grade.

Profiles and grades for visual impairment		
36	IV	<p>TOTALLY BLIND. B1</p> <p>Visual acuity is poorer than LogMAR 2.60</p> <p>Totally blind (B1)- no sight in both eyes</p>
37a	V	<p>PARTIAL SIGHT. B2</p> <p>Visual acuity ranges from LogMAR 1.50 to 2.60 inclusive; and/or visual field that is constricted to a diameter of less than 10 degrees.</p> <p>Partially sighted (B2) athletes who have limited vision in both eyes either in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How far they can see (visual acuity) • How wide they can see (visual field)
37b	NE	<p>PARTIAL SIGHT. B3</p> <p>Visual acuity ranges from 1.40 to 1.0 inclusive; and/ or a visual field constricted to a diameter of less than 40 degrees.</p> <p>Partially sighted (B3) athletes who have limited vision in both eyes either in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How far they can see (visual acuity) • How wide they can see (visual field)