



NI Virtual Boccia League

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The Disability Sport NI Virtual Boccia Challenge is open to anyone wishing to take part (see later in the document for restrictions that apply to certain Leagues).

All the boccia challenges have been designed so that they can be completed at home, in a classroom or in whatever space you have available to play boccia and using whatever equipment you have access to.

There will initially be three rounds of the competition, with Round 1 running during January; Round 2 in February; and Round 3 in March 2021.

Participants can join the competition at any time and still compete for the top spots as long as all challenges are submitted by the Round 3 closing date. All participants will receive a branded NI Virtual Boccia Challenge sponsored by Progressive Building Society water bottle once they have submitted their scores for one of the Rounds.

RULES

1. WHO CAN PLAY

The Disability Sport NI Virtual Boccia Challenge has categories suitable for everyone.

There are five categories, players may only enter one Individual League.

Individual Fun League

- For players who have just started playing boccia or compete for fun.
- Players competing in the Primary School, Secondary School and Club Leagues will automatically be entered into the Individual Fun League, unless they opt to enter the Super League.
- Each challenge will be scored from 6 attempts.

Individual Super League

- For experienced boccia players who compete in leagues and regular competitions.
- Each Round will have an extra challenge you can complete.
- Each challenge will be scored from 12 attempts.
- All players must have a physical disability

Primary School League

- For School pupils of primary school age.
- Teams of 3 – 4 players can enter
 - Only the top 3 scores in each activity will contribute the team's score.
 - At least 1 player in the team must have a disability
 - Team's should have the same players throughout the competition
- Schools may enter more than 1 team
- Schools must be in Northern Ireland.
- Only the 'Fun League' challenges must be completed

Secondary School League

- For school pupils of secondary school age.
- Teams of 3 – 4 players can enter
 - Only the top 3 scores in each challenge will contribute to the Team's score.
 - At least 1 player in the team must have a disability
 - Team's should have the same players throughout the competition

- Schools may enter more than 1 team
- Schools must be in Northern Ireland.
- Only the 'Fun League' challenges must be completed

Club League

- Teams of 3 – 4 players from Boccia Clubs, Further & Higher Education or Community groups
 - Only the top 3 scores in each challenge will contribute to the Team's score.
 - All players in the team must have a disability and 1 player must have a physical disability
 - Team's should have the same players throughout the competition
- Clubs may enter more than 1 team
- Teams must be from Clubs/Groups based in Northern Ireland
- Only the 'Fun League' challenges must be completed

2. HOW TO PLAY

Download the Resource Card

- A new resource card with 4 activities will be released at the start of each month
- All players must complete the first three challenges on the card.
- The fourth challenge is optional and only for players who wish to enter the Individual Super League.

Register

- Go to: [WEBSITE LINK](#) to register for the Individual competition.
- You will need to decide which Individual League to enter:
 - Fun League
 - Super League

Enter a Team

- Once all players in your team have registered, the Team Captain can register the team.
 - Primary School
 - Secondary School
 - Club
- Players entering any of the Team Leagues **do not** need to submit an Individual Score Card, unless they wish to enter the Individual Super League.
- If you need any help finding a local club or other players for a team or if your school doesn't currently do boccia, please contact tconroy@dsni.co.uk

Download the Score Card

- Make sure to download the correct Score Card for the Leagues you have entered:
 - 1) Fun League
 - 2) Super League
 - 3) Primary School League
 - 4) Secondary School League
 - 5) Club League

Complete the Challenges

- Set up the challenges from the resource card
- Practice
- Record your best score on your Score Card

Submit the Score Card

- Cards can be scanned or photographed and emailed to tconroy@dsni.co.uk
- Scores must be submitted by 12.00pm on the last Friday of the month (see table below for dates) to be eligible for the Round Prizes.
- Scores submitted after the Round Deadline will not be eligible for Round Prizes, but can still count towards your total for the Overall Table.
- Scores for all three rounds must be submitted by Friday 26th March 2021.
- **Remember for the Primary School, Secondary School and Club Leagues - although there can be 4 players in a team, only the top 3 scores in each challenge will count towards the Team's Overall score.**

3. IMPORTANT DATES

You can register for the Disability Sport NI Virtual Boccia Challenge at any time by completing the online form:

Individual Registration: Via www.dsni.co.uk

Team Registration: Via www.dsni.co.uk

	START	DEADLINE	RESULTS
Round 1	18 th January	29 th January	8 th February
Round 2	1 st February	26 th February	8 th March
Round 3	1 st March	26 th March	12 th April

4. AWARDS

Each month, medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each of the five leagues.

Overall prizes will be awarded at the end of Round 3.

In the event of a tie based on points, the winner will be decided by a draw at random.

Individual Fun League

1st, 2nd & 3rd place will receive a trophy

Individual Super League

1st, 2nd & 3rd place will receive a trophy

Primary School League

1. Set of Boccia Balls
2. Equipment Pack
3. Equipment Pack

Secondary School League

1. Set of Boccia Balls
2. Equipment Pack
3. Equipment Pack

Club League

1. NI Virtual Boccia Challenge sponsored by Progressive Building Society T-shirts for your Club (max. 10)
2. NI Virtual Boccia Challenge sponsored by Progressive Building Society T-shirts for your Club (max. 10)

3. NI Virtual Boccia Challenge sponsored by Progressive Building Society
T-shirts (max. 10)

5. CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any questions regarding the Virtual Boccia Challenge, please contact:

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