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The Classification Process for VI and PI Athletes

1. Pre-Classification Screening

The athlete obtains a "Medical Diagnostics Form" (MDF) from Bowls Canada Boulingrin. The MDF is completed by the athlete's personal medical professional and submitted to BCB.

2. Consent

The athlete will confirm that they have read and signed their waiver/consent forms:

- Consent to the use and transfer of confidential medical information for classification purposes.
- Consent for the classification process.
 The athlete should be prepared to answer questions about their medical history. Any questions about consent can be directed to BCB.

3. Eligibility

The MDF will be reviewed by a classifier to determine if additional information is needed, and if the athlete is eligible to proceed into the classification process.

4. Notification

The athlete will be notified through BCB about the outcome of the paper review.

5. Classification Appointment

After setting up an appointment through BCB, the athlete and their coach or team representative show up for their classification appointment with a piece of government issued photo identification. The visually impaired athlete must also bring their glasses or contact lenses if they have a prescription for correction. An English/French translator is also permitted to attend the appointment if needed.

6. Results

The classification panel will go through the results of the classification with the athlete and answer any questions they may have.

7. Confirmation of Information

The athlete will then be asked to sign the Classification Form. This is an acknowledgement of receipt of the information – it is not an agreement with the outcome. Should the athlete disagree with the outcome, they should review the protest and appeal procedures.