



Sport Class	Eligibility Criteria	Evidence Required	Paralympic Sports	Virtus
Virtus II-1 Intellectual disability Paralympic Classes: Athletics T20/F20 Swimming S14 Table Tennis 11 World Taekwondo: Para Class P20	Athletes with intellectual disability: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Full-Scale IQ score of 75 or lower; Significant limitations in adaptive behaviour; and onset before age 22 	EVIDENCE REQUIRED: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Weschler WAIS/WISC or Stanford Binet IQ Scores within last 5 years Vineland, ABAS, or AAMR Adaptive Behaviour Assessment Report and Summary of Scores within last 5 years. IQ or other relevant scores or diagnosis from before age 22 referenced in a report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics (T20/F20) 400m 1500m Long Jump Shot put Swimming (S14) 200m Freestyle 100m Backstroke 100m Breaststroke 100m Butterfly 200m Individual Medley 4x100m Mixed Freestyle Relay Table Tennis (Class 11) Singles 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics (All events) Basketball Cricket Cycling Equestrian Football (Soccer) Futsal Golf Hockey Judo Karate Rowing Sailing Skiing Nordic/Alpine Swimming (All events) Table Tennis (All events) Taekwondo (Includes Para World P20 Class) Tennis
Virtus II-2 Significant other impairment e.g. Down syndrome	Athletes with Down syndrome who have: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A formal diagnosis of Trisomy 21 or Translocation Down syndrome For safety athletes must not have symptomatic Atlantoaxial Instability (AAI) Athletes with intellectual disability who have: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Satisfied the II-1 eligibility criteria, and meet the FAST test requirements Note: Mosaic Down syndrome is not an eligible criteria for II-2	EVIDENCE REQUIRED: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Genetic testing showing a formal diagnosis and type of Down syndrome (Tri21) or statement from Physician (blood test). AAI status signed by Physician (See Athlete Application Page 3) and copy of AAI exam results if available. Satisfactory completion of FAST screening for athletes with an intellectual disability. 	There is no class for Down syndrome in Paralympic sport. Athletes with Down syndrome who also meet the criteria for II-1 intellectual disability may be classified in that class to be eligible for Paralympic events.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics Swimming Table Tennis Tennis
Virtus II-3 Autism (no intellectual disability)	Athletes with Autism who have: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A full scale IQ score above 75, OR diagnosis of no intellectual disability, and; A Formal diagnosis of Autism, ASD or Asperger's syndrome 	EVIDENCE REQUIRED: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A formal diagnosis (or confirmation of previous diagnosis) of Autism, ASD or Asperger's syndrome, carried out by a qualified professional, using accepted diagnostic techniques such as ADOS, ASRS, ICD-10 Criteria for Autism, and background history, etc given within the last 5 years. Athletes should include IQ and Adaptive Behaviour assessments to determine if they meet criteria for intellectual disability. 	There is no class for Autism in Paralympic sport. Athletes with Autism who also meet the criteria for II-1 intellectual disability will be classified in that class and are eligible for Paralympics.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics Swimming Table Tennis Tennis
Mainstream Sport	Sport Inclusion Australia works with athletes with intellectual and developmental disability to integrate into their group in mainstream sport. We ask interested athletes to complete an eligibility application so that we know if they can potentially compete in individual Virtus or Paralympic events.			

Who's Who in Virtus & Paralympic Sport



Virtus World Intellectual Impairment Sport is responsible for managing and overseeing the eligibility process for athletes wishing to compete within Virtus and Paralympic competition. Virtus, formerly INAS, is a founding member of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and hosts World & Regional Championships, Global Games and other International events open to athletes with intellectual impairment in 13 sports from 3 Eligibility Groups: Intellectual disability, Down syndrome, and High Functioning Autism.



Sport Inclusion Australia is the sole Australian member of Virtus and oversees Australian athletes applications for Virtus & Paralympic sports eligibility for intellectual and developmental disability sports classes. After an athlete's eligibility application is complete and endorsed by our National Eligibility Officer, it is submitted to the Virtus Eligibility Committee for International endorsement. Sport Inclusion Australia assists the National Sporting Organisations to select and organise Australian teams to participate at Virtus World Championships and Global Games.



The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) is responsible for overseeing the Paralympic Games, World Championships and Sports Specific Classification. In 2012 the IPC re-included athletes with Intellectual disability in select events in three sports: Swimming, Athletics and Table Tennis. Virtus works with the IPC on primary eligibility determination.



Paralympics Australia (PA) is responsible for overseeing the preparation and management of Australian teams that participate at the Summer Paralympics and the Winter Paralympics. The first step toward IPC eligibility for athletes with Intellectual impairment is to apply to Sport Inclusion Australia.