

## **All Abilities Assessment Process**



Players who wish to compete in the Canadian All Abilities Championship, presented by BDO must have an EDGA Access pass. All players should complete the EDGA Player Pass Application at: [EDGA Player Pass \(edgagolf.com\)](https://www.edgagolf.com). Those who wish to obtain the WR4GD Pass must undergo the approval process. The process differs for those seeking approval in Intellectual Impairments and Physical Impairments and is outlined below.

A WR4GD Pass grants the player the opportunity to earn points on the World Ranking for Golfer's with Disabilities. Additionally, many international competitions require a player's approval on this ranking system and the pass number to compete.

### **Intellectual Impairments (II1, II2, II3)**

The Canadian Athlete Association for Intellectual Impairments govern the submission and approval process within Canada. The CAII submits all documentation to VIRTUS on behalf of the athletes. CAII is the Canadian member organization of VIRTUS. Please note Sport Classifications is under the care of WPA. Classifications can be found at: <https://www.paralympics.org/athletics/classification/evaluation-opportunities>.

#### **Process:**

1. Athlete or family on behalf of an athlete contacts CAII to receive the Virtus application and the Virtus guidance notes.
2. Two classifications are available:
  - a. National designation - membership fee
  - b. International designation - membership fee
3. Athlete must complete the Virtus Athlete Eligibility Application Form:
  - a. Form has to be completed in English.
  - b. Attach assessment reports and supporting medical evidence. Athletes must provide an assessment from a clinical psychologist within the last 5 years to accompany application.
  - c. Submit colored photo ID.
  - d. Copy of front page of passport
  - e. TSAL has to be completed by your coach.
  - f. Application has to be approved by Canada's National Eligibility Officer then the application is submitted to the Virtus International Eligibility Committee for their approval.
  - g. Successful applicants will be notified by CAII and will receive an invoice from Virtus. CAII will handle the payment process steps.
4. Submitted application processing time: 8-12 weeks to receive National or International designation.

#### **Important Notes**

1. Process can only be completed in English.
2. National and International designation must be paid in British pounds due to submission to VIRTUS.

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On receipt of their Virtus Pass, players must apply for an EDGA Player Pass in order to be awarded a WR4GD Pass: [EDGA Player Pass \(edgagolf.com\)](https://www.edgagolf.com)

## **Physical Impairments:**

Athletes seeking approval must have the following impairments:

- Impaired Muscle Power
- Impaired Passive Range of Movement
- Limb Deficiency
- Leg Length Difference
- Short Stature
- Hypertonia
- Ataxia
- Athetosis
- Vision Impairment



Athletes who have a physical impairment must be assessed by an EDGA Assessor to receive their WR4GD Pass, unless they have clear proof of limb length deficit or spinal cord injury in which case an EDGA WR4GD Pass can be awarded online by the EDGA Central Eligibility Team.

EDGA Assessors:

- Dr. Tom Miller (London, ON)
- Dr. Adam Kassam (Toronto, ON)
- Lynn Jensen (Bolton, ON)
- Dr. Lindsey Walker (Calgary, AB)
- Dr. Russell O'Connor (Vancouver, BC)

Golf Canada will arrange to have an assessor on-site at the Canadian All Abilities Championship. Contact the respective Provincial Association to determine if they are arranging to have an assessor on-site for their championship. For those athletes who require an assessment in advance of September, please contact EDGA.

### **All Abilities Championships in Canada**

British Columbia All Abilities Championship	June 12 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	McCleery Golf Course Vancouver, BC
Ontario Adaptive Championship	July 24 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Weston Golf & Country Club Toronto, ON
Alberta All Abilities Championship	August 8 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	McCall Lake Golf Course Calgary, AB
Manitoba All Abilities Championship	August 21 <sup>st</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Selkirk Golf & Country Club Selkirk, MB
Canadian All Abilities Championship	September 13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	Kamloops Golf & Country Club Kamloops, BC

**Note:** The National and Provincial Championships do not require athletes to have a WR4GD Pass to compete. In order to win the Canadian All Abilities Championship in the gross stroke play competition, players must have a WR4GD Pass.