

Multi-Class Athletes Policy Information

Our club welcomes athletes from all abilities and wants them to feel welcome to learn new skills and be their best. Little Athletics uses the term **Multi-Class** for children with suspected or diagnosed disabilities. Athletics NSW uses the term **Para-athletics**. Athletes aged 8 and above are eligible to obtain a classification.

This document contained links to places to further information about how best to participate in athletics at a centre or club level, with or without a classification, as well as how to apply for a classification.

Watch some video explanations here:

[Multi-Class Competition - Little Athletics Australia](#)

[Athletics NSW Para-Athletics Classifications](#)

For information on modifications plus resources to better include athletes with disability, please see the [Inclusion Hub](#) or [Inclusion Fact Sheets](#)

Do I Need to be Classified?

No! Classification is only required by athletes wanting to compete at a higher level where the Multi-Class competition is available. It is not needed to participate at our Centre level. However, if your child loves Athletics and wants to compete eventually it can be useful to start the process for classification sooner rather than later. Their classification can also be used for school carnivals.

What are the Eligible Impairments for classification?

Athletes need to meet the minimum disability criteria in one or more of the following impairment groups.

- Physical Impairment.
- Intellectual Impairment.
- Vision Impairment.
- Hearing Impairment.
- Transplant recipients.

How Do I Get Classified?

Everything you need to know is here at [Little Athletics Australia Classifications](#) but please get in touch if you have any questions. president@wwla.com.au