

How to get a bocce qualifying score:

Set-up

All athletes and Unified Partners must submit assessment scores to be used in divisioning

- A coach places the pallina at the 30-foot line, and the player plays eight balls. The coach will measure the closest three balls and record their distance in centimeters.
- A coach places the pallina at the 40-foot line, and the player plays eight balls. The coach will measure the closest three balls and record their distance in centimeters.
- A coach places the pallina at the 50-foot line, and the player plays eight balls. The coach will measure the closest three balls and record their distance in centimeters.
- During the assessment process, if the pallina is moved from its spot at 30 feet, 40 feet or 50 feet, it is to be replaced on the spot before the next ball is rolled and before any measurements are taken.
- Measurements will be taken from the center side of the bocce ball to the center side of the pallina, for a total of nine measurements, the sum of which becomes the player's assessment score.

For modified bocce assessment scores, see section below.

For doubles, the team assessment score will be the sum of each player's individual assessment score

Modified Bocce

This event is designed for lower ability or mobility athletes who do not have the physical skills to put a regulation 60 millimeters pallina into play or place a regulation 107 millimeters ball past half-court. If an athlete can successfully do either of these skills on a consistent basis, they should be entered in the Traditional Bocce.

Modified Bocce will be conducted under the above rules with the following exceptions:

- Pitch length will be 40 feet.
- Athletes will not switch ends between frames.
- The end of the pitch from which play originates will remain open.
- Ball size will be 90 millimeters and pallina size 40 millimeters.
- The athlete assessment scores for modified bocce participants will be based on pallina placements at 10, 20 and 30 feet for modified bocce versus 30, 40 and 50 feet for standard play.

Modified Doubles and Unified Doubles will also be offered. An athlete may be paired with another Modified Bocce athlete, a Traditional Bocce athlete or a Unified Partner and will be divisioned in the appropriate doubles event based on the modified assessment scores for each doubles player. This means some athletes may need to submit two assessment scores (if they are playing traditional singles and modified doubles).

Ramps will be allowed in Modified Bocce only, although we are hopeful those athletes can participate successfully in the modified events without a ramp. Participants using a ramp will be divisioned based on their assessment score and placed in a ramp division when participation allows. Note: Ramps do not work very well on grass surfaces, which is used at many Area Competitions.