

## Application for Para Equestrian Identity Card (PE ID card)

In order to be registered as a Para Equestrian Competitor, each rider/driver must be:

1. Assessed by 2 International PE Classifiers one of whom must be from a different nation to the rider. (Class Manual 1.1)

A discipline specific PE assessment form is completed by the classifiers, a Profile of Functional Ability is allocated and the appropriate Grade for competition is recorded on the form (Class Manual 12.0).

The aids allowed for competition are also recorded on the form. The classifiers have a chart of aids that are allowed as standard for certain profiles (Classification manual appendix 3). For instance Profiles 1-8 all have problems with their upper limbs, so are allowed looped reins and to salute with their head only. This chart evolved from discussions between classifiers, technical delegates, and coaches. Another example of a standard aid is the use of enclosed stirrups. These are allowed for those whose poor leg control causes the foot to come out of the stirrup.

Any of the standard aids are listed on the form as appropriate for the Profile rather than the Grade. For example most riders is Grade IV would not need looped reins whereas a person with an impaired arm(s) (P14, P16, P22) would probably need looped reins, and those who can use only one hand would need "rides with one hand only" on the form.

Any aids that are not listed on the classifiers chart must be agreed on by a Technical Delegate at an event. A technical form is then signed by the Technical Delegate confirming the acceptance of the aid for competition and is given to the chief classifier at the event. The approved aid is then written on the assessment form on receipt of the signed technical form by the classifier who has given the rider the technical form.



3. The following details are then put on the master list by the Head FEI Classifier: The riders/drivers name, country, Profile, Grade, names of classifiers, DOB, Date of classification, status, sex, compensating aids listed on PE ID card, date of expiry of ID card.

4. The details (all apart from date of classification, name of classifiers and status) are then sent by the Head FEI Classifier to the ID card secretary who issues and sends the sealed ID card to the rider with the expiry date on the card.

For further questions, please feel free to contact the Head FEI Classifier Mrs Chris Meaden (<a href="mailto:chris@meaden.co.uk">chris@meaden.co.uk</a>) or Mrs Lynn Lawford (<a href="mailto:kplclawford@hotmail.com">kplclawford@hotmail.com</a>).