



THE UK SPORTS ASSOCIATION For People with Learning Disability

SPORT & DISABILITY CONTACTS

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SECTION 1

**SPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH
LEARNING DISABILITY**

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The UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability (UKSA) is the disability specific National Governing Body of sport in the UK for people with learning disability. It is part of the pathway for competitive sport opportunities for people with learning disability from the UK.

UKSA is recognised by UK Sport and is the official Great Britain member of the International Sports Federation for Persons with Intellectual Disability (INAS-FID), a member of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC).

UKSA is a UK national charity and umbrella body that co-ordinates and promotes sport and recreation for people with learning disability across the UK.

In membership of UKSA are the four Home Country Associations, the bodies responsible for sport for people with learning disability in their own countries:

Scotland	Scottish Disability Sport
England	Mencap (delivered through Mencap Sport)
Northern Ireland	Disability Sports Northern Ireland
Wales	Welsh Sports Association for People with Learning Disability

The main focus of UKSA's work is:

- Through official membership of the International Sports Federation for Persons with Intellectual Disability (INAS-FID), influencing international policy and procedure.
- Supporting the work of Home Country Associations
- Membership of the British Paralympic Association
- Seeking the support of Governing Bodies to work with and admit people with learning disability to major events including the Paralympic Games
- Pursuing full inclusion of athletes with learning disability into the Paralympic Games

- Pursuing the expansion of the Paralympic Games, Global Games and other European and world competitions to include more sporting opportunities for athletes with learning disability
- Managing entries, selection and logistics associated with Great Britain Teams into international competition
- Setting policies and selecting athletes with learning disability to the Great Britain Team
- Providing support and selecting coaches, physiotherapists, and other professional staff that will lead, encourage and develop the athletes' potential at Great Britain level
- Working with Home Countries to establish clear links and pathways in competitive sport for people with learning disability from grass roots level through to regional, national, Great Britain and international level
- Providing a "one stop shop" of support to parents and carers of people with learning disability and the athletes themselves
- Ensuring that the requirements of a complex UK and International Registration and Classification Eligibility System are upheld, administered & developed throughout the UK
- Providing guidance and technical advice to local, national and international bodies
- Providing general information, advice and guidance to anyone seeking support, information or direction on sport and people with learning disability in the UK
- Ensuring that the rights and best interests of athletes with learning disability are protected by providing a platform to launch change – keeping learning disability on the agenda
- **Newsletters & Publications**

Information Bulletin – UKSA produces a quarterly bulletin which contains details of events, activities contact lists, training courses, seminars and general information on sport and learning disability. Available at a cost of £10 per year

"Coaching People with Learning Disability" – a comprehensive guide to coaching people with learning disability and suggestions on adaptations that may be required. Available for a cost of £8 (inc p&p – UK).

Other Services & Resource

Information service providing advice and assistance on a wide range of issues regarding sport for people with learning disability

Booklist – collection of different titles of useful reference material for sport and disability

Events Calendar – national and international events calendar

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Responsibility: Wales, N Ireland, Scotland and England only

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Special Olympics Great Britain (SOGB) is the major provider of sporting opportunities for people with a learning disability and provides equality of opportunity for all our athletes regardless of ability or degree of disability.

Since our formation in Great Britain in 1978 as part of the worldwide movement, which was founded in the USA in 1968 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, a wonderfully enthusiastic team of experts and volunteers has worked mightily to bring sports training, competition and sheer pleasure to thousands of people with a learning disability in Great Britain.

In 2008, Special Olympics Great Britain will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary. It is our goal to raise £1 million during the year to further support and grow this unique voluntary **and** free sports training and competition programme for people with learning disabilities.

We currently provide the programme across Great Britain through 135 clubs which currently provide to over 8000 children and adults but in reality there are further 1.2 million people across Great Britain with a learning disability who currently may not have an opportunity to take part in sport at any level. We are committed to increasing opportunities through the provision of new clubs and training of more volunteers, to ensure that every person with a learning disability who wishes to take part in sport has this life changing opportunity.

Registered as a Charity in accordance with the Charities Act 1960 No. 800329

DOWN SYNDROME INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING ORGANISATION

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DSISO – GB

Organisation to promote and supply access to swimming for Down Syndrome Athletes, in a social and competitive way. Affiliated to worldwide movement

Our Vision: -

- To promote and encourage the development of Downs Swimming in all possible manifestations throughout Great Britain.
- To adopt necessary uniform rules, regulations and classifications to hold competitions in Swimming.
- To grant approval/sanctioning of competitions.
- To promote drug free sport
- To promote and encourage the development of international relations.

Programmes and Activities-

Promote and supply swimming events, regionally, nationally and worldwide.



Sport & Disability Contacts

SECTION 2

SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES

Disability Contacts

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The Tennis Foundation works in partnership with other National Disability Sports organisations, including Special Olympics Great Britain and the United Kingdom Sports Association for People with Learning Disability, to develop and promote tennis for people with learning disabilities.

This includes development from beginner and recreational standard through to competitive play

Many players with a learning disability start playing tennis in sessions that are run by Regional Special Olympic Groups at local tennis clubs and indoor tennis centres.

An increasing number of local tennis centres and clubs hold session for players with learning disabilities.

Clinics and fun days organised by disability sports organisations, such as Special Olympics Great Britain, are also a good opportunity for players to develop their skills

The National Tennis Centre, Charity No. 298175

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We have made football accessible for all the following levels of ability: Blind, Partially-Sighted, Deaf and Hearing Impaired (men and women's teams). Cerebral Palsy, Learning Disabilities and Amputee football.

The FA is continuously committed to creating opportunities at all levels for anyone with a disability go get involved in football – whether as a player, referee, administrator, coach or spectator.

There's also a national network of county disability centres, specialist clubs and a structured pathway for individuals to realize their full potential.

The FA also works closely with clubs at all levels to provide guidance and advice on welcoming disabled players and supporters – and to comply with current legislation.

It's all about creating equality – where everyone has the opportunity to be the best they can, or simply to enjoy 'the beautiful game' in the best environment possible.

In all its work, The FA strives to ensure doors are permanently open to people with all types of disabilities and creating a safe environment to play football.

We have applied our ethos of access to our website and have made it easier for the visually impaired to keep up to date by adding a speech button 'Say It' which reads articles out aloud – and where we produce a fully accessible version of England match programmes as well.

The FA works with the UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability to support players in INAS-FID competitions.

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Judo training is an ideal form of physical exercise and it serves as a great cardiovascular workout, which improves stamina, general health and overall fitness. Physical strength is also improved as a direct result of trying to control and dictate the movement of the opponent and as well as enhanced power; a Judo player will also improve their flexibility. For the same reasons the balance and posture of a player will also be enhanced. Physical co-ordination can be seen to develop dramatically from participation in Judo and reflexes are also improved together with mental reaction time.

Judo is an ideal sport for all ages, males or females and attracts very many disability groups. Confidence and self-esteem are enhanced as a player progresses through the ranks and the very nature of the grading system ensures that the next goal is always realistic and achievable with effort. The grading system also ensures that regardless of their skill level all Judo players can actively compete with players of similar ability and hence they have a reasonable chance of emerging victorious.

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The England and Wales Cricket Board is committed to ensuring that as many people as possible are welcomed into the game, regardless of age, race, ability or gender. To help get involved in disability cricket, here is a list of key contacts for the disabled game.

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SECTION 3

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The British Paralympic Association (BPA) is the organisation responsible for selecting, preparing, entering, funding and managing British teams, which compete at the summer and winter Paralympic Games.

The British Paralympic Association was formed in April 1989 with a membership, which includes all the governing bodies with international sporting responsibilities for sports for those sportsmen and sportswomen with disabilities. It is a sister organisation to the British Olympic Association ("BOA") serving the world of sport for people with disabilities as the BOA serves the able bodied sporting world in the UK.

The aims and objectives of the BPA include the organisation and co-ordination of Great Britain teams competing in the Paralympic Games. In addition it is the central fund raising body in the UK for these events.

The BPA is also charged with maintaining strong links with the BOA, Sports Council and H M Government.

Publications

- Official celebratory brochure of the 1992 Paralympic Games in Barcelona and Tignes.
- Four year funding plan 1993 -1997.
- Four years on - the financial progress of the BPA in its first Paralympiad 1989 - 93.
- General BPA information sheets.
- The Glory Games - official celebratory brochure of the 1996 Paralympic Games
- The Golden Games - Official Celebratory Brochure of the 2000 Paralympic Games

ENGLISH FEDERATION OF DISABILITY SPORT

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The English Federation of Disability Sport (EFDS) is the national body responsible for developing sport for disabled people in England, and works closely with the following five National Disability Sports Organisations recognised by Sport England:

British Amputees and Les Autres Sports Association
British Blind Sport
Wheelpower – British Wheelchair Sport
Mencap Sport
UK Deaf Sport

The EFDS Network

EFDS Head Office is based at Manchester Metropolitan University in Alsager near Crewe, and has a network of 9 regions supporting national priorities and developing sports programmes to respond to local needs.

Mission

To be the united voice of disability sport seeking to promote inclusion and achieve equality of sporting opportunities for disabled people.

Core Principles

- ❖ Be leader in co-ordination of the development of disability sport in England.
- ❖ Mainstream sporting opportunities for disabled people.
- ❖ United partners/stakeholders with common goals and strategies.
- ❖ Create an influential and common voice.
- ❖ Enable community and sporting partners to deliver.
- ❖ Promote the wider benefits of sport and physical activity.
- ❖ Promote equal opportunities.
- ❖ Facilitate positive change for all impairments.
- ❖ Provide information and 'signposting'.
- ❖ Lobby key agencies such as government to increase funding to the wider EFDS membership.
- ❖ Lobby key agencies such as government to firmly establish the disability sport and physical activity agenda within their own organisations.

- ❖ Be an umbrella organisation, representing the sporting and physical activity interests of disabled people and organisations.

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London Sports Forum for Disabled People (LSF) is the strategic development agency for sport and physical activity for disabled people in London. It exists to ensure that all disabled people in London can access the sport and physical activity of their choice, at the level of their choice and the venue of their choice.

London Sports Forum for Disabled People has four clear focus areas:

- To ensure the provision of sporting and physical activity opportunities for disabled people is co-ordinated and synchronized on a London, sub-regional and borough basis.
- To promote and advocate the interests and needs of disabled people to those with strategic and policy responsibility for Sport and Physical Activity in London.
- To support organisations, groups, clubs and facilities across London to provide opportunities and activities that are inclusive of disabled people.
- To provide information regarding which clubs, facilities, activities and opportunities are inclusive of and accessible to disabled people.

In 2007 Sport England, Greater London Authority and London Sports Forum for Disabled People created the 'Inclusive and Active' Action Plan for London. Containing thirty six measurable actions, the plan provides a clear map for how we can all work together to increase disabled people's participation levels in Sport and Physical Activity.

DISABILITY SPORT EVENTS

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Disability Sport Events (DSE) creates opportunities for participation in sport for people with all impairments. We are the number one events agency, providing events in various sports.

Founded in 1961, our knowledge and experience is respected worldwide. This means, we welcome international sports people at some events in our established annual events programme.

DSE ensures that from grass roots level to international standard, disabled sportspeople can participate in sport. From beginners, who want to develop their talent, to top British disabled sports people, who get high competition at our events- we are actively increasing sporting prowess.

Our work begins with our network of clubs, schools and individuals who are the participants at DSE events. It is here that we can develop, support and encourage people to participate in a variety of sports and activities.

Whether you are a club, school, organisation or individual, simply send an email with your details to info@dse.org.uk to be added to our database. We will then direct you to your nearest regional office for events taking place in your region. Everyone can enjoy sports at various levels- from 'Have-a-go' sessions at a local club, through to regional events, national and international events.

Volunteers through sports forums also organise regional competitions. Through these competitions disabled people can qualify for National Championships.

To participate, depending on the sport, athletes must have a DSE profile to compete. The DSE profile system was developed to allow fair competition amongst people with various impairments. This can be obtained by contacting DSE's office. We hold the Profile database for all our participants at our Manchester office.

In 2005, we merged the organisation and became the events division of the English Federation of Disability Sport (EFDS). The EFDS are the umbrella body of disability sport in England. However, we do not receive any Government funding so rely heavily on fundraising and sponsorship to continue our work.

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KEEN London runs free weekly sports and creative sessions for children and young people with special needs. Children from the age of 5 and upwards are paired with a volunteer coach during the sessions for individual support, so that each child can access the activities to the best of his or her abilities.

KEEN stands for KIDS ENJOY EXERCISE NOW! It is a charity for children with special needs and their siblings.

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British Blind Sport governs the rules for competition for blind sport in the UK, and develops sport for the visually handicapped at grassroots level and also selects and trains teams to represent Great Britain at European, World and Paralympic level. Each sport has its own committee responsible for running its affairs, with an overall central administration responsible for financial control and policy.

Newsletters

Quarterly "Target"

BRITISH AMPUTEES AND LES AUTRES SPORTS ASSOCIATION

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BALASA is the recognised body for amputees and les Autres sport in Great Britain. (All those defined as having locomotor disabilities by IWAS). Its aims are to encourage all its members to explore new activities and develop existing talents, to compete in sport at all levels including international level, to improve health and fitness through sport and to provide an opportunity for the exchange of ideas.

The Association provides the opportunity of international competition for those classified as 'amputee' and les Autres' within the IWAS regulations. The Association stage annual National Games where selection of elite teams are considered; whilst providing the chance of encouraging new competitors, including juniors. Interested participants may also meet other competitors at the training sessions held regularly.

BALASA also holds residential training weekends for disabled youngsters and their families. It is purely a voluntary organization being funded by the membership donations. It is affiliated to the British Paralympic Association and has a working relationship with the DSE and relevant national governing bodies of sport. Members also belong to sports groups. (able-bodied and/or people with disabilities).

Newsletters

Newsletters are distributed to the membership and other interested parties, free of charge.

Publications

Occasional fund raising leaflets.

- Newsletter

Other Services

The Federation covers the following range of sports.

Archery, Track and Field Athletics, Badminton, Lawn Bowls, Cycling, Powerlifting, Shooting, Swimming, Table Tennis, Volleyball (sitting and standing) and golf.

Each squad has qualified coaches and assistants, as well as providing extensive scope for sports science and physiotherapy cover at the near monthly squad training weekends and particular sports championships.

All correspondence and meetings at the above address

WHEELPOWER – BRITISH WHEELCHAIR SPORT

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Wheelpower provides, promotes and develops opportunities for men, women and children with disabilities to participate in recreational and competitive wheelchair sport throughout the United Kingdom at all levels from grass roots to international standard athletes. It selects and trains teams to participate in European, International, World and Paralympic Games level. Wheelpower organise annual national, senior and junior games.

Each Sport has its own Association responsible for running its own affairs, with a central administration, Sports Federation, Sports Executive Committee and Executive Council, responsible for financial control and policy. The associations are:

British Wheelchair Archery Association
British Wheelchair Athletics Association
Great Britain Wheelchair Basketball Association
British Wheelchair Bowls Association
British Wheelchair Fencing Association
British Wheelchair Rugby Association
Disability Target Shooting GB
British Wheelchair Racing Association
British Wheelchair Cue sports Association
British Wheelchair Table Tennis Association
National Wheelchair Tennis Association
British Sledge Sports Association
British Weightlifting Association for the Disabled
Handcycling Association for the UK

Newsletters

- Wheelpower News. Quarterly. Free to members.

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Publications

- Posters.
- Fund raising leaflets.
- General information pack.
- Annual Report

Registered Charity Number 265498

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“The aim of the Association is to provide disabled people with the opportunity to ride or to carriage-drive to benefit their health and well being.”

SCOTTISH DISABILITY SPORT (SDS)

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SDS is the co-coordinating and governing body of sports for all people with disabilities in Scotland. SDS has, in membership, organizations that have a specific interest in sport and/or disability. SDS operates a local branch structure that covers almost the whole of Scotland. The branch is where individuals with a disability are introduced to sport at a participation level. Sports people may then progress to the SDS sport specific squad structure where they will hopefully develop their full potential.

SDS is the Scottish member of the UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability.

FEDERATION OF DISABILITY SPORTS WALES

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Website: www.disabilitysportwales.org

The Federation of Disability Sport Wales (FDSW) is a pan-disability National Governing Body of Sport Which aims to promote and develop quality sports opportunities

FDSW comprises of National Disability Sports Organisations (NDSOs) and sports specific organisations (e.g. Wheelchair Tennis, Sledge Hockey, Cricket, Badminton etc.)

WELSH SPORT ASSOCIATION FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITY

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Providing sporting opportunities for People with Learning Disability in Wales. WSAPLD is a member of the UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability.

DISABILITY SPORTS NORTHERN IRELAND (DSNI)

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Website: www.dsni.co.uk

Disability Sports NI is working to achieve equality of opportunity for people with disabilities to take part in sport and physical activity and to help improve their standard of performance and enjoyment at the level of their choice.

DSNI is the N.Ireland member of the UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability.

MENCAP SPORT

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Website: www.mencap.org.uk

Mencap Sport promotes opportunities in sport at all levels for people with a learning disability in England, and is the England member of the UK Sports Association for People with Learning Disability.

UK SPORT

UK Sport
40 Bernard Street
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Email: info@uksport.co.uk
Website: www.uksport.gov.uk

Established by Royal Charter in 1996, (formerly the UK Sports Council) UK Sport works in partnership with the home country sports councils and other agencies to lead sport in the UK to world-class success.

UK Sport is responsible for managing and distributing public investment and is a statutory distributor of funds raised by the National Lottery.

Accountable to Parliament through the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, UK Sport's work is directed by the Board, which meets every two months.

SPORTS COUNCIL FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Sports Council Northern Ireland
House of Sport
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Belfast BT9 5LA

Tel: 028 90 381222
Fax: 028 90 682757
E-mail: info@sportni.net

Website: www.sportsni.net

Making Sport Happen for You. Sport Northern Ireland aims to make sport happen for you.

As a lead facilitator in the development of sport, Sport NI will work with partners to:

- Increase and sustain committed participation, especially amongst young people;
- Raise the standards of sporting excellence and promote the good reputation and efficient administration of sport;
- Sport NI's aims will be achieved by developing the competencies of its staff who are dedicated to optimising the use of its resources.

SPORT SCOTLAND

Sport Scotland
Caledonia House
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Edinburgh
EH12 9DQ

Tel: 0131 317 7200

Fax: 0131 317 7202

Email - General enquiries: library@sportscotland.org.uk.

Email - Website feedback: website@sportscotland.org.uk

Sportscotland, the national agency for sport, dedicated to helping increase participation and improve performances in Scottish sport.

Working in partnership

We work with and bring together key organisations in Scottish sport, support them in developing and delivering their single plan for sport.

National Strategy for Sport

We invest in shared outcomes which contribute to the National Strategy for Sport – Reaching Higher.

We engage with the public, business, education and voluntary sectors to maximise their contributions to the National Strategy for Sport.

Scottish Governing Bodies

We work with Scottish Governing Bodies to help them develop a single plan for their sport. On a sport by sport basis we agree investment and support against the shared objectives of this plan.

Local authorities

We work with local authorities to help them and their partners devise plans for the development of sport in their area. On an individual basis we agree investment and provide support against the shared objectives of these plans.

SPORT ENGLAND

Sport England
3rd Floor Victoria House
Bloomsbury Square
London
WC1B 4SE

Tel: 020 7273 1551
Fax: 020 7383 5740
Email: info@sportengland.org

Please use this email for general queries to our Support Centre in London. Otherwise please email your nearest regional office by using the link below to find out contact details. Where possible please include the area in which you are based.

Who are we?

Sport England is a non-departmental public body and National Lottery distributor. We are committed to creating a world leading community sports development system and increasing participation sport. Sport England has been a statutory consultee on planning applications affecting playing fields since August 1996. We object to any application that is detrimental to sport, unless alternative provision of at least equivalent value is found elsewhere.

What do we do?

Sport England works hard to make England more active. We encourage people to get involved with sport. We distribute funding and invest in a range of sporting projects, including the Active England fund. We influence decision makers and public opinion on sport.

[Contact details for Sport England's nine regional offices](#)

Sport England Funding Line

General advice and fund details. Application forms can also be completed for those without internet access. Tel: 08458 508 508 Monday-Friday, 8am to 6pm

Sport England Publications

To order any Sport England publications, please contact
PO Box 7, Wetherby, LS23 7LZ Tel: 0870 5210 255 Fax: 01937 845381 Minicom: 0870
1207 405 Email (for order enquiries only): sportebooks@capita.co.uk

All publications, downloads and website information can be made available in an alternative language or in Braille or large print format or on tape if requested.

Active Schools Information on the Sportsmark and Activemark programmes Tel: 0870
000 2288

SPORTS COUNCIL FOR WALES

Sports Council for Wales
Sophia Gardens
Cardiff CF11 9SW

Tel: 08450 450 904

Fax: 08450 846 0014

Email: scw@scw.org.uk

Website: www.sports-council-wales.org.uk

The Sports Council for Wales is the national organisation responsible for developing and promoting sport and active lifestyles. It is the main adviser on sporting matters to the Welsh Assembly Government and is responsible for distributing funds from the National Lottery to sport in Wales.

The Council fully subscribes to the Welsh Assembly Government's vision for a physically active and sporting nation, as outlined in its strategy document '[Climbing Higher](#)'. Its main focus is to increase the frequency of participation by persuading those who are currently sedentary to become more active and to encourage people, young and old, to develop a portfolio of activities through which to achieve healthy levels of activity.

The themes of the Council's work are:

- [Active young people](#)
- [Active communities](#) — developing people and places
- [Developing performance and excellence](#)

The Council has a Chair (Mr Philip Carling), Vice-Chair (Dr Laura McAllister) and 9 other members, who come from a wide range of backgrounds. They are appointed for three-year terms by the Welsh Assembly Government. The Council has an overall total of 183 employees, within four regions and including two national centres owned by the Council:

- Cardiff (Head & South East Office) - 91 employees
- Deeside Office (North East) - 2 employees
- Carmarthen Office (South West) - 5 employees
- Caernarfon Office (North West) - 3 employees
- [Plas Menai National Watersports Centre](#), Caernarfon - 20 employees
- [Welsh Institute of Sport](#), Cardiff - 62 employees

In early 2005, the Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport published the Assembly Government's sport and physical activity strategy, 'Climbing Higher'. To support 'Climbing Higher', the Sports Council for Wales has published a '[Framework for the Development of Sport and Physical Activity](#)'. This document will underpin the Minister's vision and set out how the Sports Council for Wales will work to deliver his aspirations. We will work even more closely with Government and other partners to develop innovative and evidence-based approaches to building an active Wales.

The Framework commits the Sports Council for Wales to a shift from grants management to sports development through the marketing of physical activity, advocacy for sport and innovation in programme development. In particular, supporting people through training and supporting organisations with development and evaluation of good practice.



Sport & Disability Contacts

SECTION 4

OTHER DISABILITY ORGANISATIONS (Non Sport)

THE ASSOCIATION FOR SPINA BIFIDA & HYDROCEPHALUS (ASBAH)

ASBAH House
42 Park Road
Peterborough PE1 2UQ

Telephone: 0845 450 7755
Fax: 01733 555 985
Email: helpline@asbah.org
Website: www.asbah.org
Contact: Linda Lewis Helpline & Information Manager

The Association for Spina Bifida and/or Hydrocephalus is the leading UK Charity providing information and advisory services to support individuals, parents, carers and professionals affected by these conditions.

Registered Charity No: 249338
Patron: HRH The Duchess of Gloucester GCVO

EPILEPSY ACTION

Epilepsy Action
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Yeadon, Leeds LS19 7XY

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Email: press@epilepsy.org.uk
Telephone: 0113 210 8866
Website: www.epilepsy.org.uk
Telephone: 0113 210 8800
Fax: 0113 391 0300
Freephone Helpline: 0808 800 5050 (Freephone)
Freefax Helpline: 0808 800 5555 (Free fax)
Freepost Address: Freepost LS0995, Leeds, LS19 7YY
Email: helpline@epilepsy.org.uk

Epilepsy Action is the leading representative organization for epilepsy in the UK, with over 16,000 members. Epilepsy Action serves over 660,000 people every year through its range of services including its Advice and Information Centre, Branch Network and Accredited Volunteer scheme. The organisation's award-winning Website receives over 135,000 visitors a month. Epilepsy Helpline (Freephone on 0808 800 5050) is available Monday-Friday, 9.00am-4.30pm (4.00pm on Fridays). Registered Charity No: 234343

DIAL UK

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Tel: (01302) 310 123
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Text Phone: (01302) 310 123 please use voice announcer

Dial UK is a national organisation for a network of approximately 120 local Disability Information and Advice Line services (Dials) run by and for disabled people. Last year DIAL's helped over a quarter of a million disabled people.

DIAL information and advice services are based throughout the UK and provide information and advice to disabled people and others on all aspects of living with a disability. All DIAL services are currently working to meet strict new quality standards.

DIAL UK is a Registered Charity No: 1059530

DISABLED LIVING FOUNDATION (DLF)

Disabled Living Foundation
380-384 Harrow Road
London W9 2HU

Telephone: 020 7289 6111 (Admin) Fax: 020 7266 2922
Helpline: 0845 130 9177 (both open Mon-Fri Calls charged at local rate.)
Minicom: 0870 603 9176} 10am-4pm)
Email: sally.clarke@dlf.org.uk
Website: www.dlf.org.uk Contact: Sally Clarke Information Officer

“Mission Statement:

We are working for freedom, empowerment and choice for disabled people and others who use equipment or technology to enhance their independence

Services:

Run a national helpline and letter enquiry service, answering questions and giving information and advice about ability living equipment for older people and people with a disability. Run the London Disabled Living Centre where equipment can be tried and tested. Run a subscription and training service for healthcare professionals and organisations that need regular information on ability living equipment.”

DOWN'S SYNDROME ASSOCIATION

Down's Syndrome Association
Langdon Down Centre
2a Langdon Park
Teddington
TW11 9PS

Tel: 0845 230 0372 (our helpline is open Monday –Friday 10am -4pm)

Fax: 0845 230 0377

Email: info@downs-syndrome.org.uk

Website: www.dsa-uk.com

THE HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY

1st Floor, Petersham House
57a Hatton Garden
London
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Contact: Tom Bradley/Membership Admin Officer
Telephone: 020 7831 1020
Fax: 020 7405 4824
Freephone Helpline: 0800 018 6068 Monday to Friday 10.00am-4.00pm
Email: info@haemophilia.org.uk
Website: www.haemophilia.org.uk

"The Haemophilia Society is the national patient organisation for people with haemophilia and related bleeding disorders in the UK. The mission of the Haemophilia Society is to ensure people with haemophilia and related bleeding disorders, and their families receive the best quality treatment, care and support.

NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY

Information Centre Team
The National Autistic Society
393 City Road
London
EC1V 1NG

Tel: +44 (0)20 7833 2299
Fax: +44 (0)20 7903 3599 (Information centre direct line)
Helpline: 0845 070 4004 (Mon - Fri 10am-4pm)
Email: nas@nas.org.uk
Website: www.autism.org.uk

Membership and Branches:

- Encourage all those involved with autism to become registered members of the National Autistic Society and establish the Society as the key influencer in the field of autism.
- Provide assistance to local groups and encourage them to become a Branch of the National Autistic Society and provide support via a truly national representative network of Branches and Regional Forums.

Partnerships:

- Strengthen partnerships and affiliation, nationally and internationally with local societies and other groups, statutory authorities, and other voluntary and private organizations.

Increasing Awareness and Communication:

- Promote awareness and understanding of autism, and the work of the National Autistic Society. Establish the NAS as a primary source of information. Spearhead national and international initiatives. Lobby Central and Local Government on the needs of people with autism and their families/carers. Provide a comprehensive range of publications.
- Expand opportunities to use the expertise of members and staff of the Society, and other professionals for training purposes. Provide a training and consultancy programme. Promote accreditation for autism specific services. Establish international initiatives to promote and develop the work of the Society. Encourage research into interventions by dedicating resources to support the aims of our associated charity, Research Autism.
- Raise funds to support the Society's activities. Increase voluntary income; establish innovative fundraising opportunities; establish a fundraising structure at national, regional and local levels; develop a strategy for collaborative fundraising; develop income-generating activities.

Services and Support:

- Provide support, advice and information. Be the first point of contact. Assist those affected by autism and their families/carers to access appropriate local services and support, and ensure they are aware of their rights and responsibilities under current legislation. Develop outreach initiatives.
- Be a focus for diagnostic and assessment processes. Establish a network of accredited diagnostic and assessment facilities. Raise awareness of diagnostic and assessment techniques and train professionals. Develop quality standards for diagnosis and assessment and undertake research and evaluation initiatives.

Help through our Autism Helpline, invaluable support through our Befriending schemes, training and support for parents and carers of newly diagnosed people with autism through our EarlyBird scheme and *help!* Programme.

The NAS is dependent on voluntary donations to continue to raise awareness of autism and provide many of our services that improve the lives of people with ASD and their families. If you would like to make a donation, please make your cheque payable to The National Autistic Society and send to the address below, or call 08702 334040 to make a donation using your credit card.

NAS Contact Offices

Autism Helpline: 0845 070 4004, From overseas: +44 (0)20 7903 3555, Email: autismhelpline@nas.org.uk

Information Centre: 0845 070 4004, From overseas: +44 (0)20 7903 3599, Email: info@nas.org.uk

Publications Department: +44 (0)20 7903 3595, Email: publications@nas.org.uk

Press & PR: +44 (0)20 7903 3593, Email: press@nas.org.uk

(All based at 393 City Road, London, EC1V 1NG, UK)

Autism Data, the NAS database of books, articles and multimedia on autism, is available to search on the NAS website at www.autism.org.uk/autismdata

Registered Charity No. 269425

ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND (RECREATION AND LIFESTYLES)

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RNIB's National Leisure Services team offers professional advice guidance support, training and consultancy services to professionals for a wide range of sports, leisure, recreation, wellbeing arts and tourism activities. The service aims to increase accessibility to mainstream leisure opportunities for blind and partially sighted people, increasing specialist leisure opportunities and to campaign and lobby policy and decision makers in leisure to improve the access to leisure opportunities.

Members of the team work closely with the sport, leisure, and entertainment and tourist industries to campaign for improved access and opportunities for blind and partially sighted people.

The leisure services team is home to the acclaimed National Soccer Sight project which provides blind and partially sighted people with match day commentary for football in partnership with a number of Premier League football clubs. The team is also developing talking sports images for a number of other sports.

In addition, the service advises on a range of holiday and leisure opportunities for blind and partially sighted people and has developed the acclaimed Finding your Feet programme.

The National Arts Development Service encourages increased engagement and participation in visual and performing arts activities by blind and partially sighted people and aims to improve access to arts opportunities across the UK.

We offer our services to museums, galleries, Heritage sites, performing arts venues, arts organizations, disability arts organizations and anyone working in the area of arts access.

For details of RNIB's National Leisure Services fact sheets and publications, contact RNIB's Helpline on the following number: 0845 766 999.

THE ROYAL ASSOCIATION FOR DISABILITY AND REHABILITATION (RADAR)

RADAR
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RADAR is a national pan-disability network for organizations of and for disabled people, working to support the disability lobby and create an environment in which disability organizations can campaign effectively. Publications on subjects including holidays and transport can be purchased through the website, as can keys for RADAR's National Key Scheme for accessible toilets – www.radar.org.uk.

MENCAP NATIONAL CENTRE

MENCAP
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London EC1Y 0RT

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Email: info@mencap.org.uk
Website: www.mencap.org.uk

Royal MENCAP Society is a registered charity that offers services to adults and children with learning disabilities. We offer help and advice in Benefits, Housing and Employment via the Helpline: 0808 808 111

Helplines are open from Monday to Friday – 9.30am – 4.30pm –
Wednesday – subject to change: (open am – closed pm) Language Line is also used.
Office is open from Monday to Friday – 9am – 5pm – 0121 707 7877. This Helpline covers England only

Wales Helpline: 0808 8000 300 N.I. Helpline: 08457 636 227

We also offer help and advice to anyone who have any other issues or we can signpost them in the right direction. We can also provide information and support for leisure, recreational services (Gateway Clubs) residential services and holidays.