

#DiscoverYour PARAPOTENTIAL

Are you highly motivated and up for a challenge?

Do you have an eligible impairment?

Are you aged between 16-40?

Are you eager to try new sports?

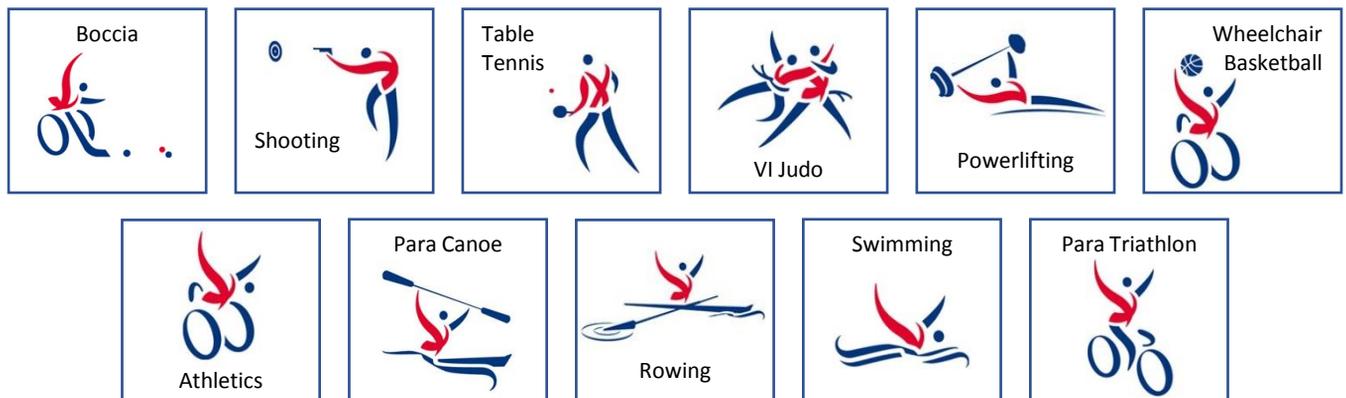
#DiscoverYour ParaPotential is currently accepting applications from individuals who have an impairment, are aged over 16 and believe they have what it takes to get to the top in Paralympic sport.

What is #DiscoverYour ParaPotential?

#DiscoverYour ParaPotential is an athlete recruitment campaign looking to provide an opportunity for athletes with an impairment. At this time, many of the Paralympic sports that are funded by UK Sport are seeking individuals with specific profiles to join their programmes. The intention is to identify high potential individuals who, with the right support, have a realistic opportunity to achieve selection to represent Great Britain at future Paralympic Games.

What sports are involved?

Click each logo to find out more about the sports involved



Eligible Impairments?

Further information about Paralympic sports and eligible impairments can be found on the website of the International Paralympic Committee and in particular applicants are directed to the Explanatory Guide to Paralympic Classification which can be accessed through the link in the 'Related Documents' section of the classification webpage (<https://www.paralympic.org/classification>).

Broadly, the #DiscoverYour ParaPotential campaign is seeking individuals across all eligible impairment groups:

- Visual impairment
- Intellectual impairment
- Physical Impairment including but not exclusively: limb deficiency (inc. amputees), short stature, spinal cord injury, spina bifida, polio, cerebral palsy, impaired passive range of movement, leg-length difference.

There is no one set recipe for success in Paralympic sport. Athletes have come from different backgrounds, played different sports (or no competitive sport at all), and had varying impairments. Here are some examples of athletes who have come through an athlete recruitment campaign, and then through the support of their sport gone on to be successful.



Joanna Butterfield

Sport: Athletics

Events: F51 Club Throw and Discus

Campaign: Girls4Gold

Career Highlight: 2016 Paralympic Champion F51 Throw



Karen Darke

Sport: Cycling

Events: Handcycling Time Trial and Road Race

Campaign: Girls4Gold

Career Highlight: 2016 Paralympic Champion Time Trial, 2012 Paralympic Silver Medallist Time Trial



Olivia Broome

Sport: Powerlifting

Events: Up to 55kg

Campaign: #DiscoverYour ParaPotential 2016

Career Highlight: Junior World Championships 2017 Silver Medalist

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