

EQUIPMENT RESOURCE



A range of equipment is available to enable everyone to participate in boccia.

Here's what you will need to start playing boccia today!

Boccia Equipment



Balls

A set of boccia balls contains six blue balls, six red balls and a white ball. When participating competitively, boccia balls of a certain standard must be used. When playing recreationally, any small balls or bean bags can be used.



Ramp

Players who are unable to throw are permitted to use a ramp to aim their ball onto court. This is moved in to position by a ramp assistant (who has their back to the court during play), under instructions from the player.



Head Pointer

Players who are unable to throw are also permitted to use a head pointer to launch their ball onto the court. Head pointers can easily be extended and rotated so a player can push a ball on the ramp at virtually any angle.



VI Grid

A VI Grid is a tactile board which enables people who are blind or who have partial sight loss to play boccia. The grid is scaled to replicate the boccia court and players feel the rubber grid and press-in pegs before playing a shot. Different shaped tactile pegs are placed on the grid by a sighted assistant, which indicate the different boccia balls and players sitting positions.



Court Tape

Tape is used to mark out a boccia court on a flat surface. This includes the boxes, jack cross, outside lines and the V-line. Court tape must be used when playing competitively although may not be needed in a recreational setting such as a care home.



Referee Paddle

A referee paddle is blue on one side and red on the other side. It is used by the referee to indicate which team or player is next to throw.



Callipers

Boccia referees use a set of callipers to accurately measure which colour ball is closest to the white ball to determine which player throws next. The player whose ball is not closest to the jack will then play next.

Where can I buy boccia equipment?

You can purchase equipment from our Boccia England online shop where we have a range of ball sets, individual balls, assistive devices, ramps, ball cases, tape and referee kits to buy.

www.bocciaengland.org.uk/Pages/Shop

Boccia Boost provides a range of support to clubs available online including additional resources and accreditation



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