



Robert Davies (Class 1)
Paralympic Champion



Will Bayley (Class 7)
Paralympic Champion

Key Partners



British Table Tennis Association



Table Tennis England



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For more information...

If your disability is inline with International classification guidelines and you want to be involved in GB Para Table Tennis Recruitment Day, please contact - Shaun Marples to register via details below;

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GB Para Table Tennis[®]

Talent Recruitment Day

Saturday 26th November 2016

10am – 12pm

EIS Sheffield, Coleridge Road, Sheffield, S9 5DA

Talent Recruitment Days

What are Talent Recruitment Days

Great Britain Para Table Tennis is actively searching for new talented athletes to become part of our Pathway Programme as we look to expand our talent pool for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games and beyond. Over the next 18 months, GB Para Table Tennis will be running a number of Talent Recruitment Days across Great Britain. To get involved, please read below. Does your disability fit within International classification set by the International Table Tennis Federation?

All International Classes

Sitting classes:

Class 1: Players have no sitting balance and a severely affected playing arm, for example due to a spinal-cord lesion or polio.

Class 2: Players in this sport class also have no sitting balance, but their playing arm is less affected than described in sport class 1.

Class 3: While class 3 players have no trunk control, their arms and hands are not or minimally affected by the impairment.

Class 4: Players have a fair sitting balance and fully functional arms and hands. Such a profile may be due to a lower spinal-cord lesion or cerebral palsy.

Class 5: This sport class includes athletes who compete in a wheelchair, like athletes with a sport class 1-4, but who have normal sitting balance, arm and hand function.

Standing Classes:

Class 6: Players have severe impairments in both arms and legs, which is due to incomplete spinal cord injuries, neurological conditions which affect both or one side of the body, amputations or similar congenital conditions. You will see some players handling the racket with their mouth.

Class 7: Players either have very severe impairments of the legs or the playing arm or impairments affecting arms and legs, less severe than described in sport class 6. For example, a player with an amputation of both arms above the elbow could compete in this sport class.

Class 8: Athletes with moderate impairment of their legs or moderately affected playing arm compete in this sport class. Classified as these conditions are stiffness of both knees or a below elbow amputation of the playing arm.

Class 9: Mild impairments affecting the legs or the playing arm. Some show severe impairments of the non-paying arm, such as an amputation above the elbow. Athletes with a stiff knee or a restricted range of motion in a joint of the playing arm may also compete in this sport class.

Class 10: Have minimal impairments and may include a stiff ankle or wrist of the playing arm. Players with short stature may also play in sport class 10.

Class 11 includes athletes with intellectual impairment who also meet sport-specific criteria for table tennis.

BTTAD Pathway Programme

BTTAD Pathway History

Following on from the success of the 2012 Paralympics in London, UK Sport has invested funding into GB Para Table Tennis to develop future talented athletes that can compete at future Paralympic Games and win medals for Great Britain. In 2013, a Pathway Manager was employed and has been working with the current squad to develop players capable of becoming a performance athlete. Over the past 2 years, 2 pathway athletes have progressed through the Pathway and are now Performance Athletes competing Internationally and training hard to represent Great Britain at future Paralympics.

Pathway Model

To the side is a visual diagram of the GB Para Table Tennis Pathway Model. Below are the current numbers of athletes at each level;

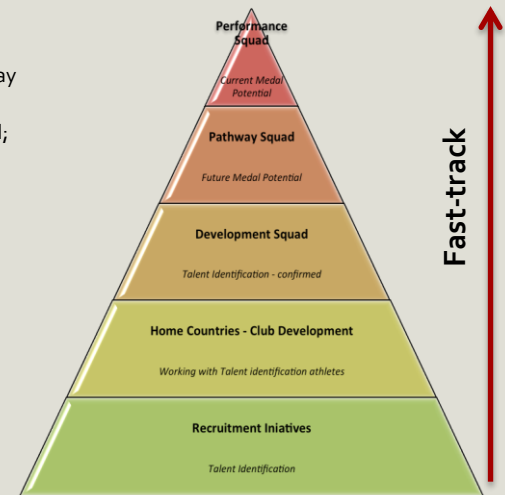
Performance Squad – 14

Pathway Squad – 10

Development Squad – 12

Home Countries have their own squads that Pathway and Development players support

Recruitment Initiatives are days like these to inspire more athletes into Paralympic Table Tennis.



Did you know.....

Great Britain won 3 medals at the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio. 2 Gold Medals were won by Rob Davies and Will Bayley. They also won a bronze medal defeating China in the Mens 6-8.

