Spinal Lesion and Post Polio

- All cervical lesions with complete or incomplete Quadriplegia. May have preservation of normal or good triceps (4 or 5 on testing scale) and normal or good finger flexion and extension (grasp and release) but without intrinsic hand function and with generalized weakness of the trunk and lower extremities interfering significantly with trunk balance and ability to walk.
- Complete or incomplete paraplegia below TI and down to and including Tl0. May have upper abdominal and spinal extensor musculature sufficient to provide some element of trunk sitting balance but not normal. J2
- J3 Complete or incomplete paraplegia or a comparable disability below T10. Quadriceps may be up to 3/5 on the testing scale.

For Swimming Events Only

Any competitor who is able to use the legs to assist in propulsion through the water. Complete or incomplete paraplegia below L2 and with quadriceps in Grade 3/5 and with 39 points or above in on the point scale for testing muscle power in the lower extremities. J4

Cerebral Palsy and Closed Head Injury

- CP1 Severe spastic and/or athetoid with poor functional range of motion and poor strength in all extremities and torso. Dependent on motorized wheelchair. Lower extremities are considered nonfunctional in relation to sports activities. Very poor to non-existent static and dynamic trunk control. Severe limitations in active range of motion. May use flotation device in swimming as prescribed by USCPAA.
- Severe to moderate spastic and/or quadriplegic with poor functional strength in all extremities and trunk but able to propel a wheelchair on level surfaces or slight inclines. 2 lowers may propel the wheelchair with 1 or both legs. Static trunk control is fair but dynamic trunk control is poor. Severe to moderate limitations in hands and arms. If function is sufficient, athlete may do both upper and lower field events. May use flotation device in swimming as prescribed
- Moderate Quadriplegic or triplegic, severe hemiplegic with fair to normal functional strength in one upper extremity. Can propel wheelchair independently.
- Moderate to severe diplegic. Good functional strength and minimal limitation or control problems in upper extremities and trunk. Propels a wheelchair better than a Class 3 athlete.
- Moderate to severe diplegic or hemiplegic who chooses to ambulate without a wheelchair. For all track events, competitors will use assistive devices. Note: CP5 Braces are not considered assistive devices.
- CP7 Ambulatory hemiplegic, moderate to minimal spasticity is the affected side. Good functional ability in the non affected side. Runs with a marked asymmetrical
- Very minimally involved hemiplegic, monoplegic, diplegic, or quadriplegic. Can run and jump freely without a limp. May have minimal loss of full function caused by lack of coordination usually in the hands or in one leg.

Amputee A4 - Single BK A7 - Double BE A1 - Double AK A5 - Double AE A8 - Single BE A2 - Single AK A9 - Combined A6. Single AE A3 - Double BK

Visually Impaired

- B1 Totally blind, may possess light perception but unable to recognize hand shapes at any distance.
- Recognize hand shapes up to 20/800 or field of vision limited to 5 degrees. B2
- Visual acuity from 20/800 up to 20/200 or field limitation from 6 to 20 degrees, or any student whose vision requires vision services but who does not meet the B3 minimum criteria for a B1, B2, or B3 athlete.

Les Autres Track

- LTX A non-international classification Athletes who require an electric wheelchair for daily activities,
- LT1 Uses a wheelchair in daily activities with poor sitting balance, reduced muscular strength and mobility, and spasticity in one or both upper limbs or normal upper extremity function with poor to moderate sitting balance or good sitting balance, with reduced upper extremity function.
- LT2 Uses a wheelchair in daily activities with normal function In the upper limbs,
- LT3 Ambulatory with moderately reduced function in the upper limbs
- Ambulatory with normal function in both lower limbs but with other reduced function in the trunk and upper limbs or any student assigned to a class for the LT4 physically impaired but whose disability is not covered in the above classifications.

Les Autres Swimming

- Severe functional limitations in all four limbs. -May use flotation device as prescribed in USLASA. LS1
- Functional limitations in 3 or 4 limbs but less than those in Class I. If trunk disability is present, only 2 limbs may be involved. LS₂
- LS3 General functional limitation of considerable significance.
- LS4 Functional limitations in 2 or more limbs. Limitation is less than in Class 3.
- LS5 Functional limitations in at least 1 limb or comparable disability.
- LS6 Only small functional limitation in swimming or any student assigned to a class of the physically impaired but whose disability is not covered in the above classifications.

Les Autres Field

- LFX A non-international classification - Athletes who require an electric wheelchair for daily activities.
- Uses a wheelchair in daily activities with poor sitting balance. Has reduced muscular strength or mobility and/or spasticity in the throwing arm. LF1
- Uses a wheelchair in daily activities with normal function in the throwing arm and poor to moderate sitting balance or reduced function in the throwing LF2 arm but good sitting balance.
- LF3 Uses a wheelchair in daily activities with normal arm function and good sitting balance.
- LF4 Ambulatory with severe problems when walking or with balance, together with reduced function in the non-throwing arm. Crutches may be used.
- Ambulatory with normal function in the throwing arm but reduced function in the lower limbs or balance problems. LF5
- LF6 Ambulatory with normal function in the throwing and a reduced function in the non-throwing arm. Minimal trunk or lower limb disability. - Any student assigned to a class for the physically impaired but whose disability is not covered in the above classifications.

<u>Deaf</u>

Open to athletes who are hearing impaired without other classified disabilities.

Split Classifications

Spinal Lesion/Post Polio: Must remain in the same class for all events EXCEPT THAT. Those J3 athletes who can use the legs for propulsion will swim as J4.

Amputee: Must remain in same class for all events. Visually Impaired: Must remain in same class for all events.

Les Autres: May change class between sports based upon classification guidelines, but MAY NOT change class between events within a sport. Cerebral Palsy/Closed:

May change class between sports groups based upon classification guidelines, but MAY NOT change class between events within a sport

Head Injury: The sports groups are: 1) TRACK - All track events and slalom; 2) FIELD - All field events and table tennis; 3) SWIMMING - All

swimming events

Spina Bifida: Spina Bifida is a spinal lesion. However, ambulatory Spina Bifida athletes will be accounted in Les Autres classifications.