



## BT Paralympic World Cup 2012 Education Pack Wheelchair Basketball

This resource can be used in conjunction with the education resource on the BT Paralympic World Cup website.



Wheelchair Basketball became a Paralympic Games sport in Rome, 1960. It is a dynamic, high skill, team sport. The players display speed and precision from their wheelchairs while performing all the skills that make basketball an exciting, fast paced game to watch or play.

Every team is comprised of five players and seven substitutes. The match consists of four periods of ten minutes. If the score is tied at the end of playing time for the fourth period, the match will be continued with an extra period of five minutes or with as many such periods of five minutes as are necessary to break the tie.

As in the running game (non disabled), Wheelchair Basketball players must dribble the ball when having gained control of the ball on the court. Players are not allowed to take more than two pushes on the wheels without dribbling the ball. A player is not allowed to touch the playing surface with his or her feet while in possession of the ball.

At this year's BT Paralympic World Cup, eight international teams will compete in a series of 16 matches over 4 days, in an attempt to claim the gold wheelchair basketball medal. The teams this year include Great Britain (Men and Women), Germany (Men and Women), USA (Men and Women) and Japan (Men and Women).

Each country will also represent one of the BT PWC teams and hope to win points towards the overall BT PWC Trophy which will be presented on the final day of competition. These teams consist of Great Britain, Europe, the Americas and the Rest of the World.



## Classroom Activities

### General Studies activities

- 1) Students to research the rules of basketball and wheelchair basketball.

**Group:** Discuss the differences and similarities between basketball and wheelchair basketball.

#### English

- Create some headlines that will grab attention of other school children to attend BT PWC



#### Mathematics

- Look into the different categories of disabled athletes and make a table based on that information for Wheelchair Basketball

#### Geography

- Look at three countries taking place at the BT Paralympic World Cup and make a list of five facts about each country

### Activities for Sports hall/ Gym/ Playground

- 1) Place the group in pairs and encourage them to develop five new ways of shooting at the basket. eg one handed, two handed, standing or kneeling. One student shoots and the other one collects ball then shoots themselves.
  - a) In pairs, teach another pair one new way to shoot.
  - b) In pairs ask each pair to try shooting at the basket from the following positions:
    - Sitting on the floor
    - Sitting on a chair
    - Sitting on a chair with the other person kneeling in front of them defending the goal

These tasks will lead to gaining an understanding of the STEPS concept-to support the Inclusion Spectrum

([http://www.btparalympicworldcup.com/education/introducing\\_the\\_btpwc.php#STEPS](http://www.btparalympicworldcup.com/education/introducing_the_btpwc.php#STEPS)).

## Classroom/ Wider Study

- 1) Students to find out if there is a local Wheelchair Basketball Club in their area. They can arrange a visit to watch them play or invite them in to the school (whole school educational initiative).



## Additional Information

[British Wheelchair Basketball](#)

[How to play Wheelchair Basketball](#)

### BT PWC Quizzes

Be sure to download the BT PWC Wheelchair Basketball Quiz for your class to complete! Visit [www.btparalympicworldcup.com/competitions](http://www.btparalympicworldcup.com/competitions) and scroll to Sports Quizzes.

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