

## **Boccia - Lines person duties**

Go to the call room with the court referee and assist getting the athletes to the court as necessary. Sit on the left or right hand side of the court in view of the throwing line (front line) Typically, you remain seated.

When you need to check the back line, you must be very subtle.

Bring any violation to the attention of the referee. Be sure to make your call by raising your hand **AFTER** the violation has been committed.

- upon release of the ball, **the athlete, his equipment (anything in the box with him) or his assistant may not be touching the line.** report **AFTER** release
- upon release of the ball by the athlete, **the ramp may not overhang the front line.** Report **AFTER** release.
- **the ramp must break the plane** between shots in a horizontal move/ help the ref watch for this. Report **AFTER** release.
- **a ramp assistant may not turn to look into court during the end.**
- **a player must be the last to touch the ball.** If you see the assistant stop the ball in the ramp after release, or see the ball touch the assistant's finger on the way out of the ramp or that the assistant places the ball for the athlete and the athlete doesn't touch the ball to release it, report these immediately.
- a ramp **assistant may not turn to look** into the court during an end.
- **talking between assistants and players**, during the end is not permitted. When you observe it, report it. (In team, the players may talk to each other if it is their time has been signaled.)
- a player **may not round his ball or orient his wheelchair to prepare for a shot on the opponent's time.** Report **AFTER** the opponent's shot.
- **interference** from another player is not permitted. Report it **AFTER** the shot.
  - If a ball goes out of bounds on the far side of the court, go to the referee to take the ball to the dead ball box. (if this will speed up the process)
  - If an athlete asks to come out on court to view the position of the balls, the referee may use you to assist the athlete to come out on court. Only come onto court when invited by the referee.
  - assist with measuring, as requested
    - do not block the athletes' view of the measurement of the balls.
    - measure as directed by the court referee
    - be especially careful when leaving the measurement area not to 'kick' a ball
    - help to retrieve the balls after each end (if appropriate)
    - see that measuring equipment is left on court.
    - Return balls to call room.
    - Assist athletes off court if necessary