

SOEE LOCAL COMPETITIONS MINIMUM STANDARDS & GUIDE

Minimum Standards for Local Competition

- Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- All Abilities
- Divisioning
- Awards
- SO Banner
- Trained officials
- Reasonable standard of venue and equipment

Guide for Local Competitions

Goal - to provide each athlete with at least one competition each year

- Competition is when an athlete competes against someone that they don't usually train with
- Sometimes local competitions are run by sports federation etc.
- Rely on local volunteers to organize
- Local not national programme should organize everything
- Volunteers recruitment and training
- Good National Games level will set standard for regional and local competitions
- Use universities, colleages to help organise local competitions
- Enforce rules on advancement to higher level competitions
- Small-scale model of events focusing on sport would allow more competition
- Incorporate SO event into larger disability or mainstream event
- Maximum (former honest) efforts rules to be always followed

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