

Vision Impairment Form

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Name:	Date of Birth:	QTVI:
Educational placement:		Date:
Registration: yes/no/don't know Certification: yes/no/don't know		

Vision loss reference tables

Acuity criteria are for guidance purposes only. The professional judgement of a QTVI should be applied as necessary to decide on the classification. For example, a CYP may have a mild reduction in visual acuity but be functioning within a different visual category due to an additional ophthalmic condition, e.g. an oculomotor disorder such as nystagmus, visual field reduction, cerebral vision impairment, and/or additional learning difficulties).

Distance vision

Mild vision loss	Within the range 6/12 - 6/18 Snellen/Kay (LogMAR 0.3 – 0.48)
Moderate vision loss	Less than 6/19 - 6/36 Snellen/Kay (LogMAR 0.5 – 0.78)
Severe vision loss	Less than 6/36 - 6/120 Snellen/Kay (LogMAR 0.8 – 1.3)
Profound vision loss	Less than 6/120 Snellen/Kay (LogMAR 1.32+)

Nearvision

Refer to standardized tests such as Kays, BUST, Maclure at 33 cms. Please use professional judgement and note any additional factors such as crowding or processing.

Mild vision loss	N14-18
Moderate vision loss	N18-24
Severe vision loss	N24-36
Profound vision loss	Educationally blind/Braille user/can access small quantities of print larger than N36

Please use the MSI form if a CYP also has hearing impairment.

NB In the following criterion tables the 'Comments' box allows the entry of any information which may have guided the option selection.

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Criterion 1.1: Degree of VI - distance (corrected vision with both eyes open – see Vision loss reference table above)		Score
a	Does not have a vision impairment	0
b	Monocular/Mild/Fluctuating VI (with reasonable vision for a considerable amount of time)/ Functional mild loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	2
c	Moderate/Fluctuating VI/Functional moderate loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	4
d	Severe/Fluctuating VI/Functional severe loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	6
e	Profound VI/Functional profound loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	7
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 1.2: Degree of VI - near (corrected vision with both eyes open - see Vision loss reference table above)		Score
a	Does not have a vision impairment	0
b	Monocular/Mild/Fluctuating VI (with reasonable vision for a considerable amount of time)/ Functional mild loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	2
c	Moderate/Fluctuating VI/Functional moderate loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	4
d	Severe/Fluctuating VI/Functional severe loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	6
e	Profound VI/Functional profound loss due to CVI or other visual factors such as visual field loss or nystagmus	8
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Criterion 2: Additional factors relating to VI		Score
a	No relevant additional factors	0
b	Late referral of permanent VI (more than 12 months from presumed onset)	5
c	Continuing assessment of VI required e.g. fluctuating condition, deteriorating/degenerative/progressive loss	5
d	Recently acquired permanent VI (within the last 6 months)	5
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 3: Impact of the CYP's VI on language and communication development and on access to learning and the curriculum (particularly English, mathematics and science)		Score
a	Expected/better than expected progress that does not need additional input	0
b	The learner requires assessment and advice from a QTVI	4
c	The learner requires a short-term programme delivered by a QTVI to develop skills that enable access to the curriculum e.g. touch-typing, developing independence and self-advocacy	8
d	The learner requires a long-term programme delivered and maintained by a QTVI e.g. Braille	14
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Criterion 4: Development of habilitation skills		Score
a	The learner has no issues affecting independent mobility or daily living skills	0
b	The learner requires assessment and advice by a Habilitation Specialist qualified to work with CYP	2
c	The learner needs a structured approach to develop independence, self-organisational skills and functional life skills	3
d	The learner requires a short-term programme delivered by a Habilitation Specialist	4
e	The learner has CVI/complex needs/is non-ambulant (wheelchair)/has developmental mobility or balance and co-ordination issues affecting independent mobility. Requires support from a Habilitation Specialist and liaison with an Occupational Therapist or Physiotherapist	6
f	The learner requires a long-term programme delivered and maintained by a Habilitation Specialist	8
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 5.1: Training and mentoring requirement		Score
a	Key staff/parents/carers have knowledge and understanding of the impact of VI on all key areas	0
b	Key staff/parents/carers require additional or continuing training and/or mentoring on VI	6
c	Key staff/parents/carers new to VI and require initial intensive training and/or mentoring	8
d	Key staff need tuition in Braille/use of specialist equipment	10
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Criterion 5.2: Transition support (i.e. change of placement)		Score
a	Transition not currently relevant to the CYP	0
b	Low contribution required as the service is confident that the learner can make a successful transition with minimal additional support	3
c	Moderate contribution due to enhanced transition arrangements	5
d	High contribution required as a high level of training is needed and the learner requires a high level of support from the service to make a successful transition	10
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 6: Support for effective use of specialist equipment by learner and key staff (may include CCTVs, LVAs, Braille, tactile and speech access and adaptation of print materials)		Score
a	No additional assistive technology required	0
b	Low level of support including short-term programme	2
c	Moderate level of support including short-term programme and some regular monitoring	4
d	New user of equipment requiring longer-term programme and refresher programmes	6
e	High level of support including Braille equipment	8
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Criterion 7: Physical learning environment. NB factors affecting the quality of the acoustic and visual environment are outlined in the Appendix at 2.4		Score
a	Learning environment which meets appropriate acoustic and visual standards for VI pupils and supports inclusive learning for the VI learner	0
b	Learning environment which supports inclusive learning for the VI learner and which will include reasonable adjustments in relation to acoustics, lighting, carpets and blinds and minimal reflections off surfaces	2
c	Learning environment which supports aspects of inclusive learning for the VI learner and which will include some reasonable adjustments in relation to acoustics, lighting and visual contrast. (Educational placement requires an informal audit by QTVI)	5
d	Learning environment which needs considerable improvement to meet appropriate acoustic and visual standards (e.g. highly reverberant, high level of noise interference, inconsistent room layout, inappropriate lighting, physical hazards). Environment will need to accommodate physical and learning access needs of a Braille user. Educational placement requires a full environmental audit by a Habilitation Specialist. A referral to an audiologist may also be needed	8
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 8: Impact of the CYP's VI on personal, social and emotional learning		Score
a	No/minimal impact on personal, social and emotional learning	0
b	Low level of impact upon the development of personal, social and emotional learning skills	2
c	Moderate level of impact upon the development of personal, social and emotional learning skills	4
d	High level of impact upon the development of personal, social and emotional learning skills (e.g. CYP displays a low level of emotional resilience requiring a high level of additional support; long term support required for emotional/personal/social learning needs)	6
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Criterion 9: Additional factors relating to family support (e.g. acceptance of VI; family speaks English as an additional language; LA as corporate parent)		Score
a	No additional factors relating to family support	0
b	Family requires a low level of additional support	2
c	Family requires a moderate level of additional support	4
d	Family requires a high level of additional support	6
Comments		CYP Score

Criterion 10: Multi-agency liaison/role (including Safeguarding)		Score
a	Minimal multi-agency liaison/role requirement	0
b	QTVI contributes to multi-agency working for learner	2
c	QTVI contributes to multi-agency working for learner with complex needs	4
d	QTVI is the keyworking professional identified for EY/school aged/post-16 learner	6
e	QTVI is the keyworking professional for learner with complex support needs requiring a high level of liaison and joint working with other professionals	10
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SCORING SUMMARY SHEET

NAME OF CYP:

CYP SCORE TABLE

Criterion	Score
1.1	
1.2	
2	
3	
4	
5.1	
5.2	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
Total Score	

PRE-PREPARED 2015 SUPPORT ALLOCATION MATRIX

Total Score Range	Support Category	Support Allocation
0% and above	A1	2 or more visits per week
50 – 69%	A2	Weekly
40 – 49%	A3	Fortnightly
30 – 39%	B1	Monthly
25 – 29%	B2	Twice termly (3 term year)
20 – 24%	C1	Termly (3 term year)
15 – 19%	C2	Twice yearly visit
5 – 14%	C3	Annual check or visit
Less than 5%	NFA	Off caseload
Evidence underpinning any professional adjustment made to the CYP's matrix support allocation:		