

# North Delta Sunfish Relay Policy

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- 1) The formation of relay teams from the beginning of the season until mid-July are to be comprised of “random teams of mixed times”. The Head Coach is responsible for forming relay teams.**

*The adoption of this amendment to the Club’s previous relay policy is intended to ensure that swimmers have the opportunity to meet and compete, as a team, with a variety of other swimmers in the age group. The club believes this will promote the development of a stronger social and peer support network within the Sunfish. Every effort will be made by the Head Coach to ensure that all swimmers who sign up for relay teams at a given meet are able to swim on a relay team.*

- 2) Commencing two meets prior to Regionals, relay teams will be decided by the Head Coach with a view to selecting the most competitive teams possible.**

*This will coincide with the introduction of more competitive heats and finals meets, in preparation for Regional championships. Every effort will be made by the Head Coach to ensure that all swimmers who sign up for relay teams at a given meet are able to swim on a relay team.*

- 3) The Head Coach has the discretion to form the regional relay teams based on the following criteria: best times, practice attendance, attitude and team spirit, and work ethic. Prior to an official decision regarding the composition of relay teams entered for Regionals, the head coach will review the choices with the Vice-President and President.**

- 4) The members on club relay team at Regionals that qualifies for Provincials, will be the team entered for the Provincial meet, and members on a disqualified team will not be used as “substitutions” for such teams.**

*A liaison member of the Board (not the coach) will be available for discussion with parents on all matters relating to relay policy concerns. The Vice-President is the assigned parent-coach liaison; as in #3 above, the liaison will be the Vice-President, President or designate.*

- 5. Any swimmers in the "6 and Under" category swimming at Regionals or Provincials are considered by BCSSA to be Division 1 swimmers, and as such, will be included in the selection of Division 1 relay teams.**
- 6. A swimmer from a lower division may not be moved up to displace another swimmer in a higher division, in which an eligible swimmer exists to swim that relay in the Regional and Provincial competitions.**
- 7. In order to represent the club on a relay team at Provincials, swimmers must attend at least 80% of the practices between Regionals and Provincials.**