

STATE RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- a) Relay Championships will be conducted as a State competition meeting and will include both heats and finals on the same day.
- b) Relay Championship entries close on a date designated by the TLAA.
- c) Centres will be invoiced following the completion of the Relay Championships.
- d) Athletes must be registered to be eligible for relay selection.
- e) Each team shall consist of up to five (5) members. Four running athletes and one optional reserve.
- f) Athletes can only be named in one (1) team for each relay event.
- g) If a Centre does not have enough available registered athletes in a specific age group to create a complete team, the Centre may use athletes from the next youngest age group to complete a team. Where a team is also nominated in the original age group of such an athlete, the Centre must be able to demonstrate that the athlete competing in the older age group has reasonably been omitted from the team in his / her own age group. The TLAA reserves the right to refuse movement of athletes between age groups where it believes this is not the case.
- h) An Under 8 athlete is not permitted to run in an under 9 4 x 200m relay.
- i) If an Under 11 athlete competes in an Under 12 Relay event, no athlete in that team will be permitted to wear spikes.
- j) Centres may complete an Additional Athlete Form listing any athlete not named in a relay team. Once all additional athletes are nominated, the TLAA Competition officer will create composite teams. As much as possible athletes will be kept in Centre groupings. Whenever a choice is to be made, this will be by the random drawing of lots.
- k) Each Centre is permitted to enter as many complete teams as they wish, but only one composite team, per sex/age group. Composite teams are any teams formed in accordance with Clauses g) or j) above.
- l) The Centre with the majority of athletes in teams formed in accordance with Clause j) above, will be the named Centre. In the event of equal numbers, the team will be jointly named. In the event that the team comprises athletes from four different Centres, the team will be named as a combined team.
- m) Mixed gender groups are not permitted in relay teams.
- n) Centres are permitted to substitute their named reserve into the team at any stage prior to the heats or between heats and finals. Please note that only the one (1) named reserve can be used as a substitution and notification of change is not required.
- o) Reserves in attendance that do not get to run with their team, will be offered the opportunity to run in an invitational relay event.
- p) The TLAA reserves the right to refuse the entry of any Centre team deemed to be in contravention of the Competition rules.
- q) In all relay heats and finals, three breaks will apply before disqualification.
- r) State records can be broken by teams in either the heats or final.
- s) Composite Teams (refer clauses g and j) are not eligible for Australian Best Performances.
- t) Change marshals will carry white and orange flags. The Track Referee will be responsible for all disqualifications and will be the only official to carry a red flag.
- u) Progression to the finals will be the official heat winners plus the next fastest teams per placing to a maximum of eight (8) teams.
- v) Should any age or gender group have eight (8) or less teams entered for an event, then that event will be run as a Final.
- w) When official results are determined from the finals, all team members in attendance will receive medals if the team finishes 1st, 2nd or 3rd. The same will apply for ribbons for all other teams.



Note also that TLAA By-Law CO22 prohibits the wearing of spikes in ALL 4 x 200m relay events.