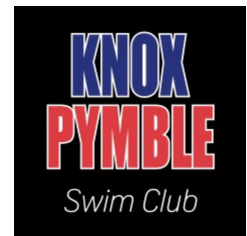


# KPSC Relay Selection Guidelines 2022-2023



## OBJECTIVE

KPSC Relay Selection Guidelines is to ensure the most appropriate teams are selected to represent the Knox Pymble Swim Club (KPSC) at all representative meets for Sydney Metro North East (SMNE), NSW State Championships and Australian National Championships.

In the interests of the KPSC members, this guideline serves to provide clarity about relay selections.

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## GUIDELINE PRINCIPLES

This document has been developed using the following principles and guidelines:

- ✦ KPSC recognises that the coaches are in the best position to select the relay teams, relating to swimmers and their likely performance at a meet.
  - ✦ Ultimate responsibility for team selection rests with the clubs Head Coaches.
  - ✦ A sense of fairness, responsibility and accountability.
  - ✦ Any changes to selection or departure from the below policies and criteria need to be discussed by panel of coaches.
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## CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

All swimmers wishing to be considered for selection in a KPSC relay team must:

- ✦ Be a financial competitive member of the KPSC, and
  - ✦ Recorded SNSW official time for the stroke under selection is preferred.
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## GENERAL SELECTION GUIDELINE (Applies to all KPSC Relays)

### SELECTION PROCESS STEPS

1. The KPSC Head Coaches in affiliation with their coaching panel will determine the initial swimmers being selected for the relay teams.
  
2. Using current official results from official Swimming NSW and/or Swimming Australia ratified meets.
  - 2.1 Times for selection must be achieved prior to the entry deadline for that event.
  - 2.2 Swimmers should have attained individual times as recently as possible to the selection period.
  - 2.3 All Relay Teams must be selected and entered prior to Meet entry deadlines.
  - 2.4 The order swimmers compete in is at the coaches' decision.

NB:

- ⌘ Selected overseas meets from corresponding official organisations may be included at the selection panels discretion.
  - ⌘ The entry deadline is defined as the date and time entries are no longer accepted as indicated on the Meet Program
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### General Relay Selection Criteria

3. The most appropriate swimmers will then be chosen for the relay teams, considerations for additional swimmers and reserves will also take place.  
**General Selection teams will be selected to compete at KPSC events and SMNE**
4. Relay selection criteria includes, but not limited to, individual swimmers' times, development opportunities, observation of a swimmer in competition conditions, building of KPSC team culture.
5. Close attention will be paid to ensure that no swimmer has been overlooked in the selection process.
6. In the case of a swimmer communicating their unavailable status to their coach for a relay prior to selection process the swimmer will not be considered for relay selection.
7. Once a relay team is selected, swimmers/parents will be notified via KPSC Secretary email.

NB:

- ⌘ Changes may be made to a relay position at the discretion of the Head Coaches only

## Priority Relay Selection Criteria

8. Priority Relay Selection Criteria applies to **ALL State and National Standard Events**.
9. Priority Relay Selection must follow the General Selection Criteria unless stated below.
10. Priority selection accounts for previous relay performance(s)
11. The fastest four swimmers will be the Priority Relay Selection for the 'A' Relay Team.
  - 11.1 The fastest combination of swimmers will be the Priority Relay Selection for Medley Relay Teams.
  - 11.2 'B' Relay Team will consist of the next four fastest swimmers / combinations respectively.
  - 11.3 'C' Relay Teams will consist of the next four fastest swimmers / combinations respectively.
  - 11.4 In the event a swimmer is injured or sick in the lead up to a meet, that swimmer may still be considered and selected for a relay.
12. Priority Relay Selections for relay positions may be changed at the Head Coaches discretion during the meet based upon individual swimmers' performance during the given meet.

*For example: Both Swimmer A and B have swum an individual 50 Freestyle race at the meet.*

- *Swimmer A recorded time 29.96.*
- *Swimmer B recorded time 29.00*

*Thereby swimmer B will be given Priority Relay Selection in the relay.*

*The Head Coaches decision will be communicated with the athletes prior to the Relay.*

13. Once Priority Relay Selection is finalised, relay changes can only be made due to illness or injury.
  - 12.1 All non-medical withdrawals must be communicated with the Head Coach at the time relay teams are selected and published. Failure to participate in a relay (for non-medical reasons) will result in the swimmer forfeiting his/her relay selections throughout the Meet.
  - 12.2 A medical withdrawal requires the swimmer to communicate with the Head Coach as soon as practicable and provide evidence of their illness or injury, indicating they are unable to swim at the meet. EG coaches' discretion, written communication from parent or swimmer (over 18years), a positive RAT test photograph, PCR text

NB:

- ± Changes may be made to a relay position at the discretion of the Head Coaches only