



Event Information

State Relay Championships February 10th 2024

State Conducted Meet	State Relay Championships
Date	Saturday 10 th February 2024
Venue	Northern Athletics Centre, St. Leonards
Start Time	8:30am Gates open - equipment and all sites to be ready by 8:30am 9:20am Chief Officials and Team Managers meeting 9:40am First Event Marshalling 10:00am First Event Commencement
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List of Events

Event	Age Group									
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
4 x 100m Relay (Shuttle)										
4 x 100m Relay (Circular)										
4 x 200m Relay										
Swedish Relay										
Field Relay										
Long Jump										



Athlete Entry

This event is open to all athletes who are currently registered with Little Athletics Tasmania in the Under 6 through to Under 15 age groups. There is no “minimum event” or qualification requirements for this event.

There are no restrictions on the number of entries from a Centre.

The online entry portal is now open and available at: <https://resultshq.com.au/login> please select all relay events that you wish for your athlete to compete in.

As this is a teams based Championship, Centres will add their team(s) in ResultsHQ and if a centre has any additional athletes that they can't fill a team with, please place them in a separate team and LA Tas will endeavour to combine them with other centres into a Combined Team.

Online entries will close at **11:59pm, Sunday 4th February 2024**.

Entry fee for LA Tas State Relays is set at **\$25.00** per athlete (U9 – U15), **\$15.00** per U8 athlete and all Under 6 and 7 athletes are **FREE**.

Rules of Competition

Except where explicitly stated otherwise in this document, the LATas Rules of Competition, LATas By-Laws and LATas Guidelines for Officials will apply for this event.

Field Relay

The Field relays were a new event in 2020. The relays consist of a team of 4 with one athlete competing in each of the 4 events (Long Jump, Discus, Shot Put, Javelin). The result of the relay event will be determined by each athlete's finishing position in each of their relay legs i.e. athlete 1 (Long Jump) finishes 4th, athlete 2 (Discus) finishes 3rd, athlete 3 (Shot Put) finishes 6th, Athlete 4 (Javelin) finishes 2nd. Total team score is 4+3+6+2=15. Teams will be ranked from lowest score to highest with the lowest rank score being the winning team.

Field Relay Points Table	
Finishing Position	Points
1 st	1
2 nd	2
3 rd	3
4 th	4
5 th	5
6 th	6
7 th	7
8 th	8
9 th	9
10 th or above	10
DQ, DNF, DNS or fouled out	1 more than amount in competition

Track Relays

Teams for all track relays will be randomly allocated lanes.

Under 6 and 7 Relays

As per National requirements, LA Tas is not permitted to offer Championship events of any form to Under 6 and Under 7 athletes. We are however permitted to offer "Invitational" events. Accordingly, Under 6 and Under 7 athletes will be offered a 4 x 100m shuttle relay. No medals will be awarded for these events but all athletes will be awarded participation ribbons. The Under 6 and Under 7 relay entrants will not be charged an entry fee for their events.

Please note that due to this restriction, Under 7 athletes may not participate in Under 8 relay events, unless it's deemed necessary for other athletes to be able to participate. In this instance the Competition Officer may use their discretion in allowing an Under 7 athlete to participate.

Uniform

All athletes must wear their centre or club uniform for the competition. This includes the LA Tas Name/Sponsor Bib and Coles Age Group Badge. Shorts/Compression shorts (above the knee) must be the same colour as centre/club uniform shorts and must be plain in colour. Logos must conform to LA Tas specifications. The badge placement guide is in your Information Manual. Full uniform information can be found in [LA Tas By-Laws page 29-30](#). Failure to do so may result in the athlete being **disqualified**.

Centre Duties

All Centres are required to provide personnel to enable the scheduled events to be conducted. A form requesting nomination of Chief/Key Officials will be sent to Centres and LA Tas will allocate those roles. Forms must be returned via email to z.patmore@taslittleathletics.com.au by **Monday 5th February 2024 5:00pm**. Field Crews will be filled via volunteers on the day and parents are welcome and encouraged to fill those roles. This season we are looking to bolstering our stocks of Field and Track Referees and Starters, full mentoring will be provided. If you have anyone suitable at your centre please list them on the Officials form.

Mentoring

Centres are strongly encouraged to nominate members who have completed the Officials exam and have done some officiating at Centre level to be mentored and assessed for state qualification accreditation by any of the mentors available on the day. Names of potential mentees can be emailed to Zane Patmore (z.patmore@taslittleathletics.com.au) by **Monday 5th February 2024 5:00pm** for inclusion in the program. There is no guarantee all requests can be met. Officials will only be accredited for the events they are assessed for.

Marshalling Areas

Field Relays	Area beside the finishing area
Track Relays	Call Room – near 100m start area

Schedule

Please note that the times on the Schedule provided are subject to change and should be **used as a guide only**. No event will commence before the allocated time unless LA Tas are certain that all athletes are on site.

IPads

iPads will be the sole source of recording **ALL** results for all field events. If for some reason an athlete is not nominated in the iPad lists and has nominated for the event La Tas will provide a folder with blank sheets for the event to add in the missing athlete's results.

Timing/Starting

Photo Finish will be used for this event. Events will be started via electronic gun with multiple speakers.

Long Jump (Under 6 and 7 only)

These events will be held either before or slightly after the Age Groups' 4 x 100m Shuttle Relay. Only children registered for the 4 x 100m Shuttle Relay (including reserves) are permitted to compete. Only athletes nominated in the iPad will be able to compete.

Smoking Policy

Centres and families are advised that the designated smoking area at the Northern Athletics Centre is outside the main gate. Everyone is urged to co-operate to ensure no embarrassment is caused to any individual. All parents should be reminded that smoking inside the competition arena is prohibited by law as well as under the LA Tas Smoking Policy.

Shoes (Officials)

All officials must wear appropriate footwear unless given an exemption by the Competition Officer.

Toilets

Centres are reminded that toilets and change room areas are not play areas. Any athletes found in these areas acting in an inappropriate manner may face disciplinary action. It is recommended that young children are accompanied when using the toilet area.

Protests

Unfortunately, sometimes in relay events an athlete will, often inadvertently, break a rule that requires the Officials to disqualify a team. The decision to disqualify a team is never taken lightly and never without consultation with all relevant officials. The benefit of the doubt is always given to the athlete.

Any Centres that consider a decision incorrect are entitled to lodge a protest against that decision within **15 minutes** of the disqualification being announced (or the posting of results if no disqualification was made). In the first instance, the Centre Team Manager/Delegate should announce their intention to protest at Admin. They will be given a protest form to complete and must return that form and a \$50 protest fee to Admin (which will only be refunded in the event of a successful appeal). All protests will be handled by the Protest Chairperson (who will consult all applicable officials).

Centres are asked to consider their protests before lodging them. Whilst the natural reaction when a disqualification has occurred is to want to lodge a protest, please consider whether you are lodging the protest due to a genuine misinterpretation of the rules (in which case we would encourage you to do so) or more due to the disappointment of the team being disqualified (in which instance we would ask you to reconsider).

Food

There will be a canteen, BBQ and Coffee Van available at the Northern Athletics Centre.

Further Information

Further information can be obtained by contacting the LA Tas Competition Officer, Zane Patmore on 0407 056 128 or z.patmore@taslittleathletics.com.au