

Provincial Relay Challenge Format



The Provincial Relay Challenge (PRC) is comprised of the 10-minute, 2-person relay challenge. The PRC can be skated at any practice or competition (exhibition event) during the season, provided the requirements listed below are met. Practices do not have to carry a sanction to be eligible. All entries into the PRC must be received by the Competition Committee by March 18th annually.

Eligibility & Seeding

The PRC has nine categories:

- L2T all-female
- L2T all-male
- L2T mixed gender
- T2T all-female
- T2T all-male
- T2T mixed gender
- Junior all-female (skating age 14-18)
- Junior all-male (skating age 14-18)
- Junior mixed gender (skating age 14-18)

Skaters may skate with any teammate, from any club (within a category). Skaters are encouraged to enter the PRC multiple times with the same, or a different, teammate. If circumstances require teams of mixed age categories, the team may be entered into the older age category (e.g. a L2T female and a T2T male skating together in a team would be eligible for the T2T mixed gender category).

Events Skated

The PRC is comprised of the 10-minute, 2-person relay. Each skater on the team must have skated at least one complete lap to make the “team” eligible. The relay must be skated on the 100m track for the L2T and T2T categories. The relay must be skated on the 111.12m track for the Junior categories.

Points Awarded and Final Awards

There are no points associated with the PRC. Official submissions are accepted exclusively via the PRC Online Submission Form (available on the BCSSA Events & Results Calendar on the PRC deadline date). Hardcopies of [PRC Recording Sheets](#) are available for tracking during the event. All eligible submitted

entries will be ranked from highest number of laps skated to lowest level of laps skated. The team with the highest number of laps skated (in each category) at the end of the season will be declared the provincial champion.

Should two teams (in a category) have skated the same number of laps, a tie would be broken in the following manner: the number of entries into the PRC (during the current skating season) for each team member would be added together. The team (of those tied) with the higher “participation number” will be declared the winner. This is to promote season-long participation in the PRC. Both team members will receive a commemorative prize and have their names recorded on the provincial plaque.

In-Competition Rules

- All submitted results must have been counted by a certified coach or official, dedicated to counting laps for that particular team.
- An “event timer” (separate from the lap counter(s)) shall be assigned the task of monitoring the time for the duration of the race. The person starting the event (certified starter or otherwise) is the recommended person to play the role of event timer. When ten (10) minutes has been completed, the event timer shall fire one (1) shot or blow one harsh/loud whistle, signalling the end of 10 minutes. All skaters will then complete the lap which they are skating, which shall be counted as their final lap.