



# Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims Procedures/Tips for Judges

1. This event **combines elements** of both the “Head-to-Head” Relay Competition and the “Individual Timed Competition”. It is a relay race against the clock (not against another team), and infractions result in “scratches” rather than “penalty points”.
2. A Relay Team must consist of **4 Stackers**. Teams with 5 Stackers may substitute in a Stacker at their discretion between “tries”.
3. Receive from the Relay Team their **preprinted Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelim Time Sheet (purple)** for this event and confirm the Team’s information.
4. There are **NO warm ups** in this event.
5. **Race Procedure:**
  - ❑ **Lead Stacker** starts at the StackMat®. Other three Stackers line up single file behind the start line.
  - ❑ The Judge will say, “**Reset timer and start when ready**”. The Lead Stacker will reset the clock and place both hands on the touch pads of the StackMat®.
  - ❑ The Lead Stacker will begin stacking when ready. Once the stack has been completed, the Lead Stacker will return to the starting line and **tag** the next Stacker in line who continues the race.
  - ❑ After each Stacker tags their teammate, they **return to the Back Court**.
  - ❑ The final Stacker will stop the StackMat® and return to the Back Court.
6. **Scratches** - not penalty points. Stop run immediately and record “Scratch”. (See “Scratch Key”)

**(ATTENTION: Although the start line does apply in this event, disregard the centerline on both the table and the floor. A Stacker’s cup(s) and foot/feet may be on or across the centerline without an infraction.)**

7. Record times to the **1/100<sup>th</sup>** of a second. (Example: 25.34)
8. **Record “Best Time”** on Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelim Time Sheet (purple). Include your signature, the division you are judging in and table #. (Keep this for a Division Manager or Runner to pick up.)
9. Complete the “**My Best Times**” Sheets (yellow) provided by each team member if they have them.

## Judge’s Etiquette

- ⊖ Do not eat or drink during a race.
- ⊖ Leave nothing on the table (clipboard in lap, water bottle set next to table leg).
- ⊖ Do not lean on the table during a race.

**Be consistent, be sensitive. Encourage and take time to teach when appropriate.**