



Application for a Sanctioned RELAY Marathon Swim in the Monterey Bay

The Monterey Bay offers some of the most challenging conditions, yet beautiful surroundings, for the most committed of ultra-marathon open water swimmers.

A relay team can consist of 2 or more swimmers.

Completed packages are reviewed within two weeks of receipt and the MBSA will contact you with any questions and/or confirmation of your swim date and observer assignments.

ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER RELAY TEAM IS REQUIRED.

Your first step in completing this application is to charter your boat and captains. This will ultimately define your swim date and start time.

Please spend some time reviewing the rules, tips for planning your swim and other resources on the MBSA website (www.swimmonterey.com) before completing this application. This information can help to ensure your application and swim plan are as complete as possible.

EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR RELAY TEAM, INCLUDING SUPPORT CREW MUST READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RELAY SWIM RULES, AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW ON THE MBSA WEBSITE. THESE RULES WILL BE READ AND AGREED TO PRIOR TO THE START OF THE SWIM RELAY.

IF YOUR TEAM WOULD LIKE TO COMPLETE A SWIM UNDER MODIFIED RULES, PLEASE MAKE THESE MODIFICATIONS CLEAR TO YOUR OBSERVERS PRIOR TO THE START OF YOUR SWIM. THESE MODIFICATIONS WILL BE NOTED IN THE FINAL SWIM DOCUMENTATION.

We look forward to supporting your event.

Sincerely,

The MBSA Board of Directors



Completed Applications can be mailed, faxed, or emailed.

Send Entire Application Package and All Fees to:

Monterey Bay Swimming Association

C/O Relay Applications

**333 Arthur Avenue,
Aptos, CA 95003**

Or Email To:

**contact@swimmontereybay.com
cc:stapley@secondpeak.com**

NOTE: Final applications must be submitted within 60 days of your swim start.

(if you would like to schedule a relay within the 60 day window, please contact MBSA before sending in your application)

Relay Sanction and Observer Fees

All payments must be in **US Dollars** and made to: *Monterey Bay Swimming Association*. Payments can also be made via PayPal through the MBSA website.

2017 Relay Sanction Fees:

\$500 per team

Each swimmer must also be an MBSA member.

Membership is \$50 (annual) or \$250 (lifetime)

This includes:

Pre-swim support, two official observers, tracking, detailed swim report, documentation, ratification, promotion (if wanted), verification with the press (if wanted), certificate, medal, and recognition at the annual awards ceremony.

MBSA is the **ONLY** sanctioning body for swims across the Monterey Bay. All observers and support crew work on a volunteer basis.

If needed, ask about our payment plan, scholarships, and other support with sanctioning fees.

Relay Team

Name of Relay Team: _____
(Enter as you would like it to appear on the official MBSA certificate, and list of successful relays.)

Name of Team Leader: _____
(Relay Team Leader can be a swimmer or coach/crew)

Relay Team Leader Address: _____

Country: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

Select your Swim:

- Monterey Bay Crossing North to South Relay
- Monterey Bay Crossing South to North Relay

CONSULT YOUR CHARTER'S CONTRACT TO CONFIRM THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

Navigator (boat captain): _____ Name of Charter Vessel: _____

Date to Meet at the Docks/Port: _____ Scheduled Departure Time: _____

Max Boat/Crew Capacity (including swimmer): _____

Planned Start Date/Time of Swim: _____

Please confirm that your navigators are also familiar with the Rules of the swim, as defined by MBSA.

Complete for each relay swimmer

Swimmer #1: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

Swimmer #2: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

Swimmer #3: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

Swimmer #4: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

Swimmer #5: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

Swimmer #6: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact (name and #): _____

**Waiver and Release of Liability
TO BE SIGNED BY EACH RELAY TEAM MEMBERS**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.
THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.**

I, _____, have voluntarily requested to enter and participate in an effort to swim in, across, around, or near the Monterey Bay, California.

I understand the extreme dangers and risk of such an undertaking and am aware of the difficulty involved, even for the most conditioned athlete. I understand that I should not enter this event unless I am in excellent health and am fully trained and conditioned for this strenuous task. I am also aware of the unusual weather conditions that may prevail in the Monterey Bay at any time of the year, including but not limited to: high, gale force winds; dense fog; great and swift seas; strong currents; pounding surf; treacherous rocks and reefs; and the constant presence of potentially dangerous marine creatures such as sharks, marine mammals, and highly toxic Scyphozoans (jelly fish). I am aware that this body of water is used by both private and commercial vessels, including but not limited to fishing boats, small motor boats, large commercial ships, and cruise ships of varying tonnage and size. These vessels can be present day and night and travel at great speed. I AM AWARE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES AND MY PRESENCE AND ACTIVITY ON AND ABOUT THE WATERCRAFT AND IN THE ADJACENT WATERS CONSTITUTES A HAZARDOUS ACTIVITY. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, WHETHER THOSE RISKS ARE KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here: _____

If under 18, place Parent or Guardian's initials here: _____

Nevertheless, with knowledge of these facts, and in consideration of acceptance of my entry, I intend to be legally bound for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, hereby waive and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages that may accrue to me against the Monterey Bay Swimming Association, its founders, board of directors, officers, members, the sponsors and directors of the event, the counties and municipalities involved, the individuals assisting with the event, or any person connected with this event, their representatives, successors and assignees (collectively, the "Releasees"), from all rights, claims, or liability for damage for any and all injuries to me or my property, arising out of, or in connection with: (i) my participation in this event, (ii) my access to and presence on and about the watercraft and in the adjacent water, (iii) the negligence or other acts, whether directly or indirectly connected to this activity and however caused by any Releasee, and/or (iv) the condition of the watercraft, the adjacent water and other areas where this activity may occur, whether or not I am then participating in such activity. I also agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of any Releasee in connection with any of the matters covered by this Waiver of Liability. I further agree that I will indemnify and hold the Releasees harmless against all claims, demands, and causes of action including court costs and attorney's fees, directly or indirectly arising from any action or proceeding brought by or prosecuted for my benefit. This release extends to all claims of every kind and nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I UNDERSTAND THIS IS A WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND IS A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND THE MONTEREY BAY SWIMMING ASSOCIATION, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Name of Swimmer: _____ Signature of Swimmer: _____ Date Signed _____

Signature of parent or guardian (if swimmer is under 18 years of age): _____

Witness Name: _____ Witness Signature: _____

Swim History
COMPLETE ONLY ONE SWIM HISTORY FOR THE RELAY TEAM

Please describe the level of open water and cold water swim experience of your relay team. Please specify the longest cold water swim completed by each relay team members.
