

## CBSC Comp Water Polo Program 2026

Welcome to Summer Water Polo at the Crescent Beach Swim Club. Water polo is an enjoyable co-ed team sport. Water polo is played in deep water and players must be comfortable treading water, and have a solid swimming background. We offer three competitive teams (12U/14U/16U).

### COMPETITIVE WATER POLO (3 GROUPS)

All three teams will have practice twice a day (Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri). BCSSA has continued this year with a Beach Polo format with two categories to classify "S" and "O" athletes.

**"O" cat athlete** - defined as any athlete aged 15-18 who are rostered for NCL Westerns, NCL Easterns, and/or National tournament or selected for any water polo Canada age group national team.

**"S" cat athlete** - defined as any player aged 14 and under and aged 15-18 who are not rostered on NCL Westerns, NCL Easterns, and/or NCL national event or selected for any water polo age group national team.

Athletes' "S" "O" status must be correctly identified on their BCSSA registration, team managers will confirm this at the beginning of the summer. We will try to have both "O" and "S" teams play for CBSC, depending on the number of players available.

Please note BCSSA age athlete categories are defined by the player's birth year. Please register your child as noted below:

1. 12U born 2014/2015
2. 14U born 2012/2013
3. 16U born 2011

All competitive players must be able to swim 200 meters unassisted.

**12U Training Days** (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Shelly Baker

- Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 7:30-8:30am and 4:00pm to 5:00pm

**14U Training Days** (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Alia Wilson

- Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 8:30-9:30am and 4:45pm-5:45pm

**16U Training Days** (twice a day/4 days a week): team manager Nichelle Bailey

- Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 8:30-9:30 and 5:30-6:30pm

### Registration information and fees

Water polo registration fee: covers all the tournaments and Regionals. July only option is available for U12 and U14 players with coach approval. Fee \$190/month

BSCCA Fee: In addition, an annual registration fee for insurance is required for all competitive swimmers, water polo players and artistic swimmers. Registration must be completed ASAP to be eligible to play at regionals. BCSSA covers all disciplines and is valid May 1, 2026 - April 30 2027.

Link to purchase: [BCSSA](#).

Provincials - Kamloops Tuesday August 11th & Wednesday August 12th

### **Tournaments**

Team managers will advise the teams of tournament dates by email. Parents will be asked to reply to team managers and let them know if their child can attend the tournament. We encourage all players to attend all tournaments. Games are the best way to learn and have fun while improving.

### **Water Polo Regionals/Provincials**

In order to qualify under BCSSA rules to play in the Regional Tournament and the Provincial Championships, players must have played in at least one of the tournaments in July.

### **Roster Selection Policy**

With the exception of the Regional tournament and the Provincial Championships, every effort will be made to ensure all players will be offered an equal amount of play time at tournament games. In accordance with BCSSA rules, there needs to be one girl in the water at any point in time. This will be reflected in our selection process for all games.

For the Regional tournament and the Provincial Championships, BCSSA will limit the roster. The Water Polo representative will review and approve rosters before they are sent to BCSSA.

During the Regional tournament and the Provincial championships, the CBSC policy is to play to win, therefore, the coaches will decide the play time given to each player during these games. The following criteria will primarily be used to select the water polo players for the top tiered team, the Regional team and the Provincial team: ability, team skills, attendance and attitude. Players should keep in mind that these areas of evaluation apply to both practice and tournaments.

### **10U, 12U, 14U CBSC Tournament**

The Crescent Beach Swimming Club will be hosting its annual 10U/12U/14U Water Polo Tournament on Wednesday July 22, 2026. The tournament will be a fun tournament and we encourage all players to attend. Samara Bassett will be our tournament coordinator this year, please contact her if you have any questions or are able to help out at [Samara.bassett@gmail.com](mailto:Samara.bassett@gmail.com)

### **Communication**

We will be hosting a ***parent meeting*** to give parents the opportunity to meet the coaches and ask questions. **Tuesday June 30 @ 6:00pm at the CBSC pool.**

Throughout the summer, the CBSC water polo coaches and team managers will be contacting parents by email, so please ensure that your email address is shown as your child's contact email address in your

family's active net account. Please check your email daily since information regarding **tournament scheduling can change as late as the night before the tournament**. As well, team managers will contact you by email to determine if your child is available to play in the tournaments (a prompt response is appreciated as this determines how many teams we can provide in the tournament)

**Our Comp Coaches this summer are:**  
**Head Coach: Georgia Springate**  
**Assistant Head Coaches: Cole & Riley**  
**Coaches: Rowan, Ricky**