



## **VPSC Volunteer Credit Program**

The Vancouver Pacific Swim Club is a “parent participation” club. We encourage family participation and lessen the costs for running our program through the implementation of a Volunteer Credit program. All families joining our Club are expected to participate.

The fee structure and required credit/participation points are assigned by your swimmer’s Color Group and designed to match the opportunities to volunteer with the swimmer’s level.

At Registration in September, each family is assigned a maximum number of points to be earned. This is determined by your swimmer’s Color Group, and for families with more than one swimmer, the number of points is assigned according to the swimmer in the highest level Color Group.

Families with more than one swimmer only have to earn the assigned credit/participation points once. Once a family has been assigned their quota of points to be earned (at registration), this quota will not change if a swimmer advances to a higher level Color Group during the season.

Every point earned by volunteering equals one-dollar credit back up to the maximum fee paid. No credits are given over and above the number of assigned points.

At the end of the season, any credits you have earned will get applied to next season's starting balance if you are returning, or refunded if you are not.

For swim families registering after September, the number of credit/participation points will be assigned by the Volunteer Credit Coordinator based not only on the swimmer’s Color Group, but also the month of registration and thus, the remaining opportunities to volunteer.

It is each family’s responsibility to record their volunteer service and to submit to the Volunteer Credit Coordinator. To keep your account up-to-date, your volunteer points must be submitted to our Volunteer Credit Coordinator twice per year at the end of February and the end of June.

As part of September registration, each family has the opportunity to sign up for "administration and support" duties. Requests for participation for swim meets will come before each meet as part of your swimmer's consent form.

All families from the *Blue Color Group* up through *Gold/Age Group National* must earn at least part of their assigned points by completing an officials workshop/clinic (e.g., Stroke & Turn, Marshall, Starter etc).

For duties at VPSC-hosted swim meets, sign-up will be on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. Families who volunteer beforehand must still sign-in with the meet manager/designated official representative prior to the start of the session. Families who volunteer, but do not sign-in, and then are not needed will not be awarded credit points.

There are no credits/points earned for participating in non-VPSC-hosted swim meets, but it is mandatory that parents with participating swimmers volunteer for duties in at least 3 non-VPSC swim meets. Participation will be coordinated by our Officials Coordinator and Head Coach.

The points & fee assessment by Color Group for 2007/08 are:

<b>Color Group</b>	<b>Participation Points</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Junior & Green	100	\$100
Red & White	150	\$150
Bronze & Blue	200	\$200
Stroke Development	200	\$200
AGP & Silver	250	\$250
AGN & Gold	300	\$300

Questions?

- 1) About the points or process or have good ideas for volunteer activities – contact our Volunteer Credit Coordinator
- 2) About the fee and account information – contact our Treasurer