

TRIATHLON WA TRY BEFORE YOU BUY REGIONAL CLUBS POLICY



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This policy will apply to all Regional Clubs affiliated with Triathlon Western Australia at all “Club Events” as defined by the National Sanctioning document. Where a Sanctioning Document of the State or Territory in which the event is being conducted is being utilised, a “Club Event” is an event conducted more than 75km radius from the GPO.

This policy has been designed to manage the participation, in “Club Events”, of athletes who are not members of the club participating in the event.

Non Club members will be permitted to participate in a maximum of three (3) club events within Western Australia within one Annual Triathlon Calendar Season of TWA before deciding whether to join the club.

Non Club members will be required, in addition to any entry fee levied by the club, in accordance with the sanctioning document, to pay Five dollars (\$5) to the club for a One Day Race Membership (ORM). This ORM will include the athlete’s insurance premium to provide them with personal accident and public liability insurance under the Triathlon Australia (TA) policy during that event. This money must be forwarded to Triathlon Western Australia (STTA), but made payable to TA, within 14 days of the event.

The event will still require the same sanctioning approval from Triathlon Western Australia.

The obligation to comply with this policy lies on the President of the triathlon club conducting the event.

The President shall be required to keep name, age and address details for any competitor who competes in a club event as a non-member.

The President shall be responsible for ensuring that \$5 for each non-member participant is forwarded to Triathlon Western Australia within 14 days of the event taking place, along with the name, age and address details of each non-member participant.

Triathlon Western Australia is to forward the \$5 ORM to TA as part of that months invoice payment. Failure to submit ORM fees may attract a penalty of up to \$5 per competitor for 70% of the total field size. A list of non-members’ names and addresses must be supplied with the payment. Failure of either the Club or the STTA to pass these details and monies on in a timely manner may jeopardise the validity of any claims for the event.

The President shall be responsible for ensuring that a non-member competes only three times in a “Club Event” without being a member of the club. Records of those who compete in club events as non members must be kept for a period of two years.

The President shall be responsible for ensuring that this policy is not used by the club to conduct what would otherwise be an “Open Event”, for which an insurance premium is payable, by allowing non-members to compete by using the ORM system.

The President and office bearers of the Club are aware that, in the event of this policy not being complied with, the insurance cover provided by TA for the event will be invalid. This will expose the President, office bearers and race director of the triathlon to any claims which may arise from the conduct of the event, including personal accident, public and product liability. The club may also have its Insurance policy cancelled as a result of a breach.

Guidance in relation to the application of this policy may be sought from the STTA or the Chair of the STTA Technical Committee as the responsible sanctioning authority.