



## **TRI NZ POLICY FOR ALLOCATION OF**

**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND  
ITU WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION EVENTS**

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR AN EVENT TO BE**

**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND/OR  
A NEW ZEALAND SELECTION RACE FOR AN ITU WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT**

**JUNE 2016**

## EVENT PANEL

The formation of a Tri NZ 'Event Panel' (hereafter called "the Selection Panel") to allocate

1. Tri NZ National Championships and
2. Age Group World Champs Selection Events

Event Selection Panel to comprise

- The Tri NZ Technical and Events Advisor
- The Tri NZ Age Group Experience Manager
- A Tri NZ Board member
- 1 x independent Tri NZ member (e.g. accredited coach, age group athlete, club member or technical official).

The Event Selection panel will make the selection decision and the Triathlon NZ Board will be informed.

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Triathlon New Zealand may organise National Championships in the following distances and categories as shown in the chart below:

	Elite	U23	Junior	Age-Group	Paratriathlon
<b>TRIATHLON</b>					
Sprint Distance	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Standard Distance	yes	yes		yes	no
Long Distance	yes			yes	yes
Ultra Distance	yes			yes	no
Team Tag	yes		yes	yes	no
<b>DUATHLON</b>					
Sprint Distance	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Standard Distance	yes	yes		yes	yes
Long Distance	yes			yes	yes
<b>AQUATHLON</b>					
Standard Distance	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
<b>WINTER TRIATHLON</b>					
Distances to be agreed	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
<b>CROSS TRIATHLON</b>					
Sprint Distance	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes (excluding TRI1)
Standard Distance	yes	yes		yes	yes (excluding TRI1)

Tri NZ may also organise National Championships in other disciplines including multisport over distances and in categories to be decided at the time these championship events are sanctioned. Tri NZ may also choose to introduce a team relay category to any of the multisport disciplines it administers.

In addition to the categories shown in the above tables, Tri NZ is also the sanctioning body for National & Regional Schools Championships conducted for Triathlon, Duathlon, aquathlon, winter triathlon and any other multisport disciplines administered by ITU or NZSSSC. The standard distances for School Events vary dependent on age.

## National Champs Philosophy

National Championship must be held at events that are well established, attract NZ best, have an ease of access for NZ population, quality delivery, and must meet any additional criteria outlined in tender documents, including participation numbers. National Championship are designed to add prestige to an event but please note this may not result in increased participation numbers.

## Allocation of Championship status

Existing Tri NZ policy stands that all Tri NZ Championships titles will, unless extraordinary circumstances occur, be allocated to events owned or partially owned and/or operated by Tri NZ.

- The only exception is if Tri NZ does not own or partially own an event for the particular Championships title distance and requires a third party to deliver.

Note: - Third parties are to be awarded the contract for a 1-year term if it is the first time to host a national champs or up to a 3-year term if it is an existing championship event. Contracts will be reviewed at the end of the term, or annually, against Tri NZ criteria.

If a third party event is required to host a Championship the event will be put to tender or if the Event Selection panel feel appropriate offered to an existing event.

The nominated event will be ranked by the Selection Panel on the following criteria to become a Tri NZ Championship event:

- LOC must be in good standing with Tri NZ
- Priority will be given to an event that has been sanctioned for a minimum of two years prior to applying
- Distances at the event must be as per the Tri NZ rules for the specified championship event
- Location of event – ease of proximity for athletes and population base
- Date of event on calendar in comparison to World Championships and other like local events
- Historical entrant numbers
- Community support –
  - Mandatory support letter from local government
  - Confirmation of support from key stakeholders
  - Confirmation of Support from the local Regional Sports Trust.
  - Confirmation of engagement with the local triathlon club.
- Consultation with local iwi and Department of Conservation (where relevant)
- Initiatives towards becoming a zero waste event
- Sustainability – events which can demonstrate they have a long-term commitment of support from key partners will be viewed favourably.

## Fees

The national Championship hosting fees are as per below:

Triathlon- \$950 + GST

Duathlon- \$750 + GST

Aquathlon - \$500 + GST

Please note that if an event is to host more than one National Championship the second fee will be reduced by 50%. These fees exclude Event Sanctioning fees.

National Championship events will need to implement Tri NZ Race Licences as part of its entry process. Please see below for what your relevant race licence price will be. Please note if entrants are members of Tri NZ they are not required to pay this race licence.

- i. Ultra-distance events (3.8km swim/180km bike/42.2km run) = NZD\$25
- ii. Long-distance events (1.9km swim/90km bike/21.1km run) = NZD\$20
- iii. Olympic-distance or mid-distance events (incl. off-road, duathlon) = NZD\$10
- iv. Sprint-distance or short-distance events (incl. off-road, aquathlon, duathlon) = NZD\$5

\*Team entries are only required to pay one license per team

## ITU AGE GROUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION EVENTS

There will be **one primary selection** event and up to **two secondary selection** events nominated for each ITU Age Group World Championship event. The Selection Panel will decide how many selection events will be allocated per distance once all applications have been considered. Selection events will be required for (but not limited to) the following events:

- ITU Sprint Distance Triathlon World Champs
- ITU Standard Distance Triathlon World Champs
- ITU Paratriathlon World Champs
- ITU Long Distance Triathlon World Champs
- ITU Standard Distance Duathlon Champs
- ITU Sprint Distance Duathlon Champs
- ITU Long Distance Duathlon World Champs
- ITU Paratriathlon Duathlon World Champs
- ITU Aquathlon World Champs
- ITU Cross Tri World Champs

### Allocation of ITU Selection status

#### Primary Selection Race

The allocation of the primary selection event will default in most cases to the Tri NZ National Championship event for that distance.

#### Secondary Selection Race(s)

A secondary selection event may be allocated annually, and up to two events in extraordinary circumstances. The Selection Panel will select the events, with the nominated events being ranked on the following criteria:

- LOC must be in good standing with Tri NZ
- Priority will be given to an event that has been Tri NZ sanctioned for a minimum of two years prior to applying. Please note that a secondary selection event is required to have a minimum standard of endorsement (see Tri NZ Event Accreditation System for fees)
- Geographical location will be important to ensure there is travel equity for athletes.
- Distances at the event must relative to the specified world championship event
- Date of event on calendar in comparison to World Championships
- Historical entrant numbers
- Events will need to comply with endorsement standards.
- Sustainability – events which can demonstrate they have a long-term commitment of support from key partners will be viewed favourably.

### Fees

The selection fees are as per below:

#### Primary Selection (if not already a National Championship)

Triathlon- \$950 + GST

Duathlon- \$750 + GST

Aquathlon - \$500 + GST

Please note that if an event is to host more than one primary selection event the second fee will be reduced by 50%.

#### Secondary Selection

Flat fee of \$200 + GST

These fees exclude Event Sanctioning/endorsement fees.