2018 -19 State Series

Overview

The 2018-19 **Victorian Triathlon State Series** (*State Series*) title is awarded to both individuals (*State Series Award*) and clubs/squads (*State Series Shield*) based on results from selected multisport events across the 2018-19 season.

Individuals must be a member of a Victorian affiliated triathlon club/squad and hence a Triathlon Australia member to be eligible. *State Series Award* winners will be ranked in age groups and accrue points from the nominated 'state series' events.

Organisations must be recognised as an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the *State Series Shield* and will be classified according to their size/type (classification confirmed using membership taken at 31 March 2019) -
- Small Club – less than 100 members
- Large Club – over 101 members

In addition, there will be a single Performance Club Award details of which can be found at the end of this document.

The events

The following event disciplines (seven) will form the *State Series*, and hence the maximum number of events is eleven (11);

- Aquathlon (1), Cross Triathlon (1) and Duathlon (1) – State Championships
- Triathlon Sprint Distance (4) – State Championships and three others
- Triathlon Standard Distance (2) – State Championships and one other
- Triathlon Long Course / Half Ironman (2) – State Championships and one other

The state championships in each event category is automatically a *State Series* event.
There is no minimum number of events for an athlete to be eligible and similarly there is no limit to the number of events that an athlete competes in.

How it works

Points will be awarded at each event that forms part of the **State Series**;

- For individuals to be awarded points (both individually and towards the club award) they must be a member of an affiliated club/squad (and Triathlon Australia).
- Points will be awarded to the individual and club for each time (one point) they compete at *State Series* event.
- Performance points will be awarded for each age group/gender category from 10 points for 1st, 9 points for 2nd ...... down to 1 points for 10th place (*).
  - *Individuals earn performance points in their age group/gender category for an event.*
- State championship races accrue a multiplier of 2 for both individual and club points (i.e. 1st = 20 points, 2nd = 18 points, ... down to 10th = 2 points; and similarly, participation points will be 2 for each competitor.

State Series Awards (Individual Champions)

Overall *State Series Awards* will be awarded in each age group taken from an athlete's **best seven (7) results with no more than three (3) results being from the same event discipline** (six disciplines as listed under 'The events' on page 1. See FAQ for an example of how this applies.

Best results refer to the basis of points accrual; i.e. results with the highest points value count towards the overall score. (E.g. An athlete may receive more points for a lower placing in a state championship event than a higher placing in a non-championship event and hence the higher points will be counted rather than the higher placing).

Races that are cancelled or postponed will not count towards points accrual (TV discretion).

For athletes in age categories 12-13, 14-15 and 16-19 years the racing opportunities vary a little due to the racing rules restricting the distance you can race over.

For each of the 'junior' age groups the events nominated as state series events are highlighted in the table 'Schedule of Events'

State Series Categories

The age categories for the *State Series* start at 12-13 years, 14-15 years, 16-19 years and then progress in five (5) yr. age groups starting from 20 (i.e. 20 – 24 etc.) upwards. All ages are based on the 31st of December 2018.

Points accrual for athletes in the 12-13, 14-15 years and 16-19 years' group **will not** include events which are beyond the maximum allowable distances and hence refer to the table 'Schedule of Events' for all the details.

Please note there is a separate *Victorian Schools Shield competition – **click here** to read more*.

State Series Shield (Club Champions)

The 2018-19 **Victorian Triathlon State Series** title is awarded to club/squad (*State Series Shield*) based on results from the selected multisport events across the season.

Organisations must be recognised as an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the *State Series Shield* and will be classified according to their size/type (classification confirmed using membership taken at 31 March 2018) -
- Small Club – less than 100 members
- Large Club – over 101 members

Clubs/squads accrue points from the performance and participation of their members calculated from the eleven State Series events (as described in 'How it works').

The champions clubs (small and large) will receive the State Series Shield and have the rights to use the State Series Champion logo to recognise this achievement.

Performance Club Award

This award recognises the role clubs and squads play in supporting and developing high performance athletes across junior, youth, elite and age group racing.

The Performance Club Award will be calculated from the eleven State Series events with points accumulated by club members.

Points are awarded to the first three placegetters (podium finishers) across junior, youth, elite and age group racing on a 3,2,1 basis.

The club with the highest accumulated points total across all State Series events will receive the Performance Club Award and have the rights to use the 2018-19 Performance Club of the Year logo to recognise this achievement.

Schedule of Events

Mini	Sprint	St'rd	Long	Date	EventName	State Series
Jnrs	X			2/09/2018	Triathlon Victoria Duathlon Series Race 2 - Altona	**State Champs - Duathlon (WQE)**
Jnrs	Jnrs	X		20/10/2018	Yarrawonga Mulwala Multisport Festival - Mulwala	**State Series standard (WQE)**
			X	11/11/2018	Challenge Shepparton - Shepparton	**State Series - long (WQE)**
	Jnrs	X		24/11/2018	Tre-X Cross Triathlon - Bendigo	**State Champs - Xtri (WQE)**
Jnrs	X			2/12/2018	Sufferfest Triathlon Festival - Safety Beach	**State Series - sprint**
	X			26/01/2019	**Triathlon Victoria - Aquathlon Champs**	**State Champs - aquathlon (WQE)**
	X			27/01/2019	**AWTC - Sprint Distance Triathlon**	**State Series - sprint**
Jnrs	X			3/02/2019	2XU Triathlon Series - Elwood	**State Series - sprint (WQE)**
Jnrs	X			17/03/2019	2XU Triathlon Series - Portarlington	**State Champs - sprint**
Jnrs	Jnrs	X		31/03/2019	2XU Triathlon Series - St Kilda	**State Champs - standard (WQE)**
			X	14/04/2019	Challenge Melbourne St Kilda	**State Champs - long**

FAQ

Why where these races selected?

These races were selected to ensure a variety of options across the disciplines of multisport and to support races providing high quality racing experiences

Do I need to compete a minimum number of races to be eligible to win my Age Group State Series Award?

No. Whilst up to six (6) results (maximum) may be included in an individual's points score, you do NOT need to compete in a minimum number of races to be eligible.

The rules state that I can only accrue points from a maximum of three (3) events in any single discipline … what does this mean?

It means that of the seven 'disciplines' listed under the 'Events' no more than three (3) results can be taken from any single discipline. E.g. should an individual race all four (4) eligible sprint races only their best three (3) results would count in their point score final.

Do I need to let TV know which races I am competing in?

No, TV will be working with the race directors to ensure all TV member results are provided to TV for points allocation.

How long after a race will the point score come out?

Race directors will work towards providing results to TV within 7 days of an event. TV will then aim to have the point score updated within a further 7 days (14 days after the event).

If there is an issue with my result or placing who do I contact?

All results/timing issues must go to the race director. Once the results have been received by Triathlon Victoria the places, and hence points allocated, the results are final.

If there is an issue with my points on the TV State Series website who to I contact?

Any issues found with the TV State Series Leader board (club and individual) should be directed to marketing@vic.triathlon.org.au Issues may arise if your entry into an event does not match your TA name (e.g. You are Thomas Smith in the membership database, but enter as Tom Smith) so we encourage you to enter as per your TA membership record.

What happens if an event is cancelled?

If an event is cancelled and not able to be rescheduled no points will be awarded to any athlete.

Is there a series registration?

No, all TV members are automatically included in the TV State Series Awards upon entry into an eligible event. Note that entry to each event is made through the respective event website/registration portal.