2019-2020 State Series

Overview

The 2019-20 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 2019-20 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 2020) -

- 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 thirteen (13);

- Aquathlon (TBC), Cross Triathlon (1) and Cross Duathlon (1), Duathlon (1) and Long Course Triathlon (1) – State Championships
- Triathlon Sprint Distance (5) – State Championships and four others
- Triathlon Standard Distance (3) – State Championships and two others

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 individuals (and hence clubs) for each time they compete at State Series event. Points are applied to all competitors (members and non-members) on a top down basis (i.e. if a member finishes 3rd behind two non-members they receive the points for third place, not first).
- Performance points will be awarded for each age group/gender category from 10 points for 1st, 9 points for 2nd ...... down to 1 point 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 two (2) results being from the same 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 will not count towards points accrual, however at TV discretion may be included if conducted in a modified format.

For athletes in age categories 12-13, 14-15 and 16-19 years the racing opportunities vary a little due to the race competition rules restricting race distances. 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 2019.

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

State Series Shield (Club Champions)

The 2019-20 Victorian Triathlon State Series Club Champion 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 2020) -

- 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, 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, elite and age group racing on a 3, 2, 1 basis.

The club with the highest accumulated points across all State Series events will receive the Performance Club Award and have the rights to use the 2019-20 Performance Club of the Year logo to recognise this achievement.

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Note: At sprint distance where ‘x’ marks the State Series event, this includes the Junior category also
FAQ

Why were 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?
Yes. Whilst up to seven (7) results (maximum) may be included in an individual’s points score, you need only compete in a minimum of three (3) races to be ranked in the points score.

The rules state that I can only accrue points from a maximum of two (2) events in any single discipline … what does this mean?
It means that of the seven ‘disciplines’ listed under the ‘Events’ no more than two (2) results can be taken from any single discipline. E.g. should an individual race all eligible sprint races only their best two (2) 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. However, we do encourage members to check the rankings list and where possible enter events with the same name details as per their TA membership name. E.g. Try to refrain from using a shortened first name such as Tim, if your membership is under Timothy.

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 are points missing from the rankings (Leaderboards) on the TV website please email marketing@vic.triathlon.org.au with the relevant details.

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.