



## **USA Triathlon National Club Championship Scoring**

### **I. EVENT QUALIFICATION**

A club competition event must, 1) be sanctioned by USAT, 2) be non-drafting, and 3) require USAT certified officials.

Events hosting club competitions are required to have two (2) USAT certified official and an additional official per 150 registered participants, beyond the first 250.

### **II. CALENDAR**

USA Triathlon shall recommend for approval to the USAT Board of Directors a National Club Championship event. The National Club Championship event shall be selected from sanctioned “high profile” events.

The date of the National Club Championship shall be the date of the selected sanctioned event.

### **III. EVENT DISTANCE**

The National Club Championship shall be contested at the International distance (approximately 1500m swim, 40k bike, and 10k run) and, if the selected event has one, the sprint distance (approximately 750m swim, 20k bike, and 5k run). Distances may be approximate, so long as they fall within the range for each distance designation.

Other distances may be added depending on the race venue.

#### **IV. CLUB DIVISIONS**

The following club divisions shall apply to the National Club Championship. Regions may elect to adopt or modify the divisions for regional club competitions.

Division I: >250 members

Division II: 249-130

Division III: 129-89

Division IV: 88-30

Division V: 29-2

#### **V. CLUB ELIGIBILITY**

A club must be a registered USAT club in order to participate in the National Club Championship.

All registered USAT clubs may compete in the National Club Championship.

Clubs must provide USA Triathlon an electronic roster of all eligible club members 30 days prior to the date of the championship. No modifications to the submitted club membership roster will be allowed, unless approved by USA Triathlon.

Complete eligibility qualifications are listed in the “USA Triathlon National Club Championship Eligibility” document.

#### **VI. INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY**

A scoring club member must be an annual USAT member or a holder of a one-day license.

A club member holding a USAT Elite-Professional License may be awarded performance or participation points based on performance, within the appropriate competitive division, that shall apply to the overall club score.

#### **VII. PERFORMANCE SCORING**

Individual

- Individuals will be ranked within their gender and age-group category.
- Points (11-2) will be awarded in descending order from 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> place according to the individual’s overall finish in the respective gender, age group and weight category.

- 1st Place – 11
- 2nd Place – 10

- 3rd Place – 9
- 4th Place – 8
- 5th Place – 7
- 6h Place – 6
- 7th Place – 5
- 8th Place – 4
- 9th Place - 3
- 10th Place – 2
- All Finishers Past 10th Place will receive 1 Point
- Example:
- Jane Doe, 1<sup>st</sup> place, female, 25-29 = 11 points
- Dawn Ray 3<sup>rd</sup> place, female, 45-49 = 9 points
- All USAT one-day license and annual license club members not placing in the age-group categories shall receive one (1) PARTICIPATION POINT for completing the competition.
- Clubs shall be ranked, within their respective club divisions (I-V), based on the club's aggregate performance and participation points for all age, gender, Physically Challenged Athletes, and Clydesdale – Athena categories.

### **VIII. DISTANCE POINTS**

The National Club Championship shall award distance points, on a per team basis, in accordance with the following distances. The distance shall be determined using airline miles from the domicile city of a club to the location of the National Club Championship.

- >1000 miles = 30 distance points
- 999 – 600 miles = 20 distance points
- 599 – 300 miles = 15 distance points
- 299 – 180 miles = 10 distance points
- 179- 100 miles = 5 distance points
- <99 miles = 0 distance point

### **VIII. AWARDS**

The National Club Championship competition shall be scored and awards presented on-site on the date of the competition.

A minimum of two (2) representatives, one from race management or assignee and a regional/national representative, shall validate club competition results on-site.

USAT will offer awards to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place clubs per division contested at the National Club Championship.

### **IX. CLYDESDALE – ATHENA and PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED ATHLETES**

Scoring for club members competing in the Clydesdale, Athena and Physically Challenged Athlete divisions shall conform to the scoring procedures outlined here and in accordance with the USAT standards for the relevant competitive category.

#### **X. RELAY TEAMS**

Relay teams are not eligible for club competition scoring.

#### **XI. TIEBREAKER**

The number of finishers shall decide a tie in favor of the club with the most finishers. This tiebreaker procedure shall apply to ties within club divisions.

#### **XII. APPEAL**

A club may appeal the eligibility of a club and/or athlete to compete at the National Club Championship to the USAT Head Referee assigned to the competition 60 minutes prior to the scheduled awards ceremony. The USAT Head Referee may elect to convene a review committee consisting of her/himself, the race director, race timer, and a regional/national representative. The decision of the USAT Head Referee or committee shall be final.