



## 2023 AUSTRALIAN AGE GROUP TRIATHLON TEAM SELECTION POLICY

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**TEAM:** 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and Pontevedra)

**REFERENCE:** 2023 World Triathlon (WT) Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Hamburg and Pontevedra).

### EVENT ONE: HAMBURG, GERMANY

#### **2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay World Championships**

**Date:** 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Confirmed by World Triathlon on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2022)

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay Triathlon World Championships Individual Events – Hamburg, Germany:

1. Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal): 750m Swim, 20km Cycle (Draft Legal), 5km Run
2. Mixed Team Relay: 250m to 300m Swim, 5km to 8km Cycle (Draft Legal), 1.5km to 2km Run (WT to confirm race distances). Each team member will complete all 3 legs - Swim, Cycle and Run.

# Athletes can seek selection in more than one event at the 2023 WT Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships in Hamburg, Germany.

### EVENT TWO: PONTEVEDRA, SPAIN

#### **2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships**

**Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023 (Confirmed by World Triathlon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2022).

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships Individual Events – Pontevedra, Spain:

1. Standard Distance Triathlon: 1.5km Swim, 40km Cycle (Non-Draft Legal), 10km Run
2. Super Sprint Distance: 250m to 500m Swim, 6.5km to 13km Cycle (Non-Draft Legal), 1.7km to 3.5km Run (WT to confirm race distances).
3. Standard Distance Aquabike: 1.5km Swim, 40km Cycle (Non-Draft Legal)

# Athletes can seek selection in more than one event at the 2023 WT Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships in Pontevedra, Spain. Athletes are unable to apply for both the Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon event and the Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike event as these events occur on the same day.

## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO 2023 AUSTRALIAN AGE GROUP TRIATHLON TEAM APPLICANTS**

The 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships are scheduled to occur in Hamburg, Germany from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2023.

The 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships are scheduled to occur in Pontevedra, Spain from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

Due to the challenging and ever-changing global health pandemic one or both 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championship events (Hamburg and or Pontevedra) may be postponed or cancelled at a later date. The Australian Government has noted from the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2021 that Australia's international borders will progressively reopen, with fully vaccinated Australians able to depart Australia without applying for an exemption. In line with this reopening the Australian Government has removed the global 'Do not travel' advisory. To view the Australian Government official international travel advice please view <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/> Australian Government international travel advice is constantly changing and we urge all Australian age group athletes to regularly check <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/> to ensure they have the most up to date information available.

Triathlon Australia urges all Australian age group athletes to consider the current domestic climate including health risks, potential event postponements/cancellations and Australian State and Territory Government domestic border closures when deciding to undertake potential selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

Triathlon Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone for any consequence of one or more Australian State and Territory Government domestic border closures and/or one or more 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra) selection events postponements/cancellations.

The 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike) in Pontevedra, Spain may be postponed or cancelled at a later date either by World Triathlon and or the local organising committees. Athletes should be aware that World Triathlon and or the local organising committees in Hamburg and or Pontevedra may require event participants to undertake pre-travel and pre-event health checks and to comply with health and safety directions at the event.

Triathlon Australia at its discretion may not select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team to attend the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Standard Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike, Super Sprint Triathlon) in Pontevedra, Spain for reasons including but not limited to Australian Government international travel restrictions and health risks to athletes.

Triathlon Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone for any consequence of a decision not to select and or enter a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team to attend the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike) in Pontevedra, Spain.

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## A. INTERPRETATION

**2023 WT TWC** means the World Triathlon Triathlon World Championships owned and sanctioned by World Triathlon to be conducted in:

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2023.

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

**Athlete** means an athlete who registers for and competes in one or more event(s).

**2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Agreement** means a contractual agreement between Triathlon Australia and the athlete which sets out the rights, entitlements and obligations of the athlete having agreed to become a member of the team and the rights, entitlements, and obligations of Triathlon Australia in its management and control of the sport and the team.

**CEO** means the person appointed to the position of Chief Executive Officer of Triathlon Australia by Triathlon Australia or their nominee.

**WT** means World Triathlon and is the official governing body for the Olympic sport of Triathlon.

**Relevant Triathlon Australia Membership** means a current annual Triathlon Australia membership in the full Standard and or Premium categories but excludes all Social and or Basic membership categories.

**Selection Event(s)** means one or more of the age group Triathlon events set out in Clause D.

**Selection Points** means the accumulated points calculated and awarded to an athlete who meets the eligibility criteria in Clause E for selection purposes.

**STAs** means the State and Territory Triathlon Associations affiliated with Triathlon Australia.

**TAAGSAT** means the Triathlon Australia Age Group Selection Appeals Tribunal appointed by Triathlon Australia to hear and determine appeals under this policy.

**TAAGC** means the Triathlon Australia Age Group Committee, or its successor appointed by Triathlon Australia to select the Team under this policy and present selected Athletes to the Triathlon Australia Board for ratification

**TANAGM** means the Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager.

**Team Management** means the person(s) appointed to the position(s) of Team Management for the team by Triathlon Australia.

**Team** means the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team selected under this policy to represent Australia at the following:

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2023.

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

**Triathlon Australia** means Triathlon Australia Limited ACN 007 356 907, the National Federation for the sports of triathlon/ duathlon/ aquathlon/ aquabike and which is affiliated with World Triathlon.

**Undersubscribed** in relation to an event means that there are less applicants for selection for any age group category at the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain than there are places in the team for that age group per World Triathlon entry rules.

## B. INTRODUCTION

1. This policy details the process and criteria by which Triathlon Australia will select its 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team for the:

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2023.

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

2. 2023 WT TWC Race Competition Rules stipulate that Triathlon Australia may nominate a maximum of 20 males and 20 females in each age group category of the:

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany.

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain.

Age group categories start at 15-19 (Super Sprint Triathlon - Non-Draft Legal) 16-19 (Sprint Distance Triathlon – Draft Legal) 18-19 (Standard Distance Triathlon – Non-Draft Legal and Standard Distance Aquabike – Non-Draft Legal) and then progress in five-year blocks e.g., 20 - 24; 25 - 29 (Super Sprint Triathlon – Non-Draft Legal, Sprint Distance Triathlon - Draft Legal, Standard Distance Triathlon – Non-Draft Legal and Standard Distance Aquabike – Non-Draft Legal); for both men and women.

3. 2023 WT TWC Race Competition Rules stipulate that Triathlon Australia may nominate a maximum of 10 teams each comprised of 2 males and 2 females in each category of the:

2023 World Triathlon Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany.

Age group categories are 15-19 years, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70 years and above.

4. Under the terms of this selection policy, the TAAGC is not required to select the maximum of 10 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay Teams or 20 males and 20 females for all other events to the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

Final team numbers are at the absolute discretion of the TAAGC. Triathlon Australia at its discretion may not select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team to attend the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain for reasons including but not limited to Australian Government international travel restrictions and health risks to athletes. Triathlon Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone for any consequence of a decision not to select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

5. Athletes are asked to not physically print the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy. This 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy may be amended at any time

by Triathlon Australia if Triathlon Australia believes such an amendment is necessary because of any change in World Triathlon guidelines or eligibility rules for the Event, to give effect to this policy following discovery of a drafting error or oversight, or for any other reason determined to be necessary by Triathlon Australia. Triathlon Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone because of such amendment.

## C. SELF-FUNDED TEAM

The 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team is a fully self-funded. Costs to be met by each team member include but are not limited to:

a) athlete services contribution which includes:

- i. the race entry fee
- ii. the team management fee
- iii. travel insurance (including personal accident insurance while training and racing overseas). Please note that this does not include bike insurance.

b) the team uniform (race suit and casual)

c) travel and accommodation, preferably in the nominated Australian team hotel(s).

## D. SELECTION EVENTS

Athletes must register for selection events on an event-by-event basis. To view the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events please go to [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au)

It is the athlete's responsibility to identify and comply with the registration rules for each individual event. Please check the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events page [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au) regularly, as event dates and locations are subject to change throughout the 2021/2022 and or 2022/2023 triathlon season.

## E. SELECTION POINTS

1. Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) World Championships event – Hamburg, Germany** must complete 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Sprint Distance Triathlon as referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon **Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships Event – Hamburg, Germany** must complete the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon National Championships as referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain** must complete 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Standard Distance Triathlon as referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain** must complete the

2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Sprint Distance Triathlon referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain** must complete 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Aquabike as referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

2. Selection points for events will be awarded as follows:

<u>2023 WT Age Group Category Place (Age is taken as 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2023)</u>	<u>Individual 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events (Excluding Australian Age Group National Championships)</u>  Sprint Distance Triathlon Events  Standard Distance Triathlon Events  Aquabike Events	<u>Australian Age Group National Championships</u>  Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon National Championships  Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon National Championships  Age Group Aquabike National Championships
1 <sup>st</sup>	25	50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	24	48
3 <sup>rd</sup>	23	46
4 <sup>th</sup>	22	44
5 <sup>th</sup>	21	42
6 <sup>th</sup>	20	40
7 <sup>th</sup>	19	38
8 <sup>th</sup>	18	36
9 <sup>th</sup>	17	34
10 <sup>th</sup>	16	32
11 <sup>th</sup>	15	30
12 <sup>th</sup>	14	28
13 <sup>th</sup>	13	26
14 <sup>th</sup>	12	24
15 <sup>th</sup>	11	22
16 <sup>th</sup>	10	20
17 <sup>th</sup>	9	18
18 <sup>th</sup>	8	16
19 <sup>th</sup>	7	14
20 <sup>th</sup>	6	12
21 <sup>st</sup>	5	10

22 <sup>nd</sup>	4	8
23 <sup>rd</sup>	3	6
24 <sup>th</sup>	2	4
25 <sup>th</sup>	1	2

3. WT age group eligibility criteria for racing at the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships is determined based on an athlete's age on 31st December 2023.

4. Results from each event will be converted to age as of 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2023 and selection points allocated in priority order per the official race finishing time. Points will be awarded as set out in Clause E1. Athletes finishing in identical time will, for the purposes of this policy, be regarded as finishing in a tie and will be awarded points as in the following example:

E.g., If two athletes finish in a tie (as defined) for 4<sup>th</sup> position in event 4 they will be awarded 21.5 points each ( $22 + 21 = 43$  divided by  $2 = 21.5$ ).

5. Selection points will not be awarded to athletes who are not eligible for selection in the team per the terms of Clause F2 below.

6. If an ineligible athlete finishes in the top 25 places in any selection event the points allocated to that finishing position will not "roll down" to the next eligible athlete.

7. If an event is cancelled for any reason, selection points will not be allocated for that event for the purposes of selection in the team. Triathlon Australia will not be responsible for any loss or damage caused by or arising out of such cancellation.

8. If an event format is changed for any reason selection points will still be awarded per the terms of Clause E1.

Examples of an event format change include but are not limited to:

1) A triathlon becomes a duathlon

2) The event distance is amended, for example the swim of a triathlon is changed from a 1500m swim to a 750m swim.

9. Selection points will not be awarded to current Relevant Triathlon Australia members if the Triathlon Australia member does not enter their current Relevant Triathlon Australia membership number, correct date of birth and their full correctly spelled first and last names which match their current Relevant Triathlon Australia membership details at the time of entering each individual nominated selection event.

## F. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Only athletes qualified per the terms of Clause G will be eligible for selection in the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

2. For selection points in an event to accumulate towards selection an athlete must hold a current Relevant Triathlon Australia Membership as of midnight on the Thursday preceding the date of the relevant selection event. Selection points will not be awarded to current Relevant Triathlon Australia members if the Triathlon Australia member does not enter their current Relevant Triathlon Australia



membership number, correct date of birth and their full correctly spelled first and last names which match their current Relevant Triathlon Australia membership details at the time of entering each individual nominated selection event.

### 3. Athletes eligible for Selection

To be eligible for selection in the team, athletes must:

a) At the time of making application for the team as set out in Clause F3(c) below hold a current Relevant Triathlon Australia Membership.

b) Not be the holder of a Triathlon Australia Professional License during the financial year in which the selection events conducted.

c) Notify Triathlon Australia of their Expression of Interest for selection by applying on-line on the Triathlon Australia website by:

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Team Applications close at **5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon Team Applications close at **5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.**

# 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and Pontevedra) Expression of Interest for selection on-line applications will open on the Triathlon Australia website at 9am AEST on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2022.

Athletes must apply for the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team – Hamburg, Germany to be eligible for selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team.

Athletes must apply for the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) – Hamburg, Germany to be eligible for selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Team.

Athletes must apply for the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team – Pontevedra, Spain to be eligible for selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team.

Athletes must apply for the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team – Pontevedra, Spain to be eligible for selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team.

Athletes must apply for the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Team – Pontevedra, Spain to be eligible for selection for the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike Team.

For the avoidance of doubt, this includes:

- i. Australian athletes residing overseas who wish to be considered for selection as set out in Clause G4.
- ii. Athletes who wish to be considered for discretionary selection as set out in Clause G5.
- iii. Athletes who have gained automatic selection as set out in Clause G2.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted online through the Triathlon Australia website [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au) by:

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Team Applications close at **5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon Team Applications close at **5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.**

**No late Expression of Interest will be accepted under any circumstances for the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and Pontevedra).**

## G. SELECTION CRITERIA

1. If more than 20 athletes (male or female) register their availability for selection in any age group category, or the selectors exercise their discretion to name less than the number who have registered for selection in any age group category, the TANAGM will select the team in priority order per the provisions of Clause G3.

### 2. Automatic Qualification

Automatic qualification for the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra) will be given to athletes who:

a) Place first, second, third, fourth or fifth at the 2023 Australian Age Group National Championships in the following disciplines: Sprint Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Triathlon and Aquabike. 2023 Australian Age Group National Championship details are noted on the Triathlon Australia 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events Calendar [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au)

Athletes who place first, second, third, fourth or fifth at the 2023 Australian Age Group National Sprint Distance Triathlon Championships may seek potential automatic selection in the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) World Championships – Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships – Pontevedra, Spain.

To validate this automatic qualification, athletes must meet all the eligibility criteria as outlined in Clause F of this selection policy.

b) Place first, second or third in the overall 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events (Sprint Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Triathlon, Aquabike) based on an

accumulation of points from the best three (3) results from any 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events.

To validate this automatic qualification, athletes must compete and finish in at least one of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events as listed in Clause D of this selection policy and meet all the eligibility criteria as outlined in Clause F of this selection policy.

### **3. Accumulated points from 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events**

a) The Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager (TANAGM) will make selections in priority order per the highest accumulated selection points based on the best three results in the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events. For the avoidance of doubt, selection points allocated to an ineligible athlete will not “roll down” to the next eligible athlete for the purposes of selection.

b) When making selections by operation of Clause G3(a) above and there are athletes with equal number of selection points in any age group category the TANAGM will separate such athletes, if necessary, by applying the following criteria in priority order until an athlete is ranked outright 20<sup>th</sup> on the points scoring system.

- i. The athlete who has competed in the greatest number of 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events in the relevant discipline.
- ii. The athlete with the highest individual placing in any single 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Event in the relevant discipline.
- iii. The athlete who was most recently a member of an Australian Age Group Triathlon World Championships team.
- iv. The athlete who in the opinion of the TANAGM has the best chance of achieving the highest result in the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group World Triathlon Championships in the relevant discipline.

### **4. Australian’s Residing Overseas**

a) Australian citizens residing overseas who have not accumulated points by competing in the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events may apply for selection in the Team under this clause. Such applications will only be considered for applicants in age group categories in which there are less than 20 eligible athletes who accumulated points in the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events, been selected to the Team and have confirmed their selection. Such applications must be supported by well documented and validated races and results.

**Hamburg, Germany** (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) – Race Results must be between the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 to 5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

**Pontevedra, Spain** (Standard Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike, Super Sprint Triathlon) – Race Results must be between Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to 5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.

b) To be eligible for discretionary selection by operation of Clause 4(a) above an athlete must:

- i. Apply for selection per the terms of Clause F3.
- ii. Make a written submission to the National Age Group Manager by emailing [alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au](mailto:alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au)

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Team Applications close at **5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon Team Applications close at **5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.**

- iii. A written submission must include all matters that the athlete wishes the TAAGC to consider in exercising its discretion under this Clause G4. Such matters may include details of any injury or illness (which must be accompanied by a medical report signed by a registered medical practitioner) or any other factor, such as mechanical failure or extenuating circumstances that have affected an athlete's performance in any relevant event.

**Hamburg, Germany** (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) – Race Results must be between the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 to 5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

**Pontevedra, Spain** (Standard Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike, Super Sprint Triathlon) – Race Results must be between Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to 5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.

## **5. Discretionary Selections**

- a) In any category where there are less than 20 eligible athletes the TAAGC may at its discretion select additional athletes by operation of this Clause G5 up to the maximum of 20.
- b) To be eligible for discretionary selection by operation of Clause 5(a) above an athlete must:
  - i. Apply for selection per the terms of Clause F3.
  - iv. Make a written submission to the National Age Group Manager by emailing alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Team Applications close at **5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Team and or the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon Team Applications close at **5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.**

- ii. A written submission must include all matters that the athlete wishes the TAAGC to consider in exercising its discretion under this Clause G5. Such matters may include details of any injury or illness (which must be accompanied by a medical report signed by a registered medical practitioner) or any other factor, such as mechanical failure or extenuating circumstances that have affected an athlete's performance in any relevant event. Such applications must be supported by well documented and validated races and results.

**Hamburg, Germany** (Sprint Distance Triathlon and Mixed Team Relay) – Race Results must be between the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 to 5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

**Pontevedra, Spain** (Standard Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Aquabike, Super Sprint Triathlon) – Race Results must be between Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to 5pm AEST on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023.

## **6. 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team – Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal)**

a) Athletes seeking selection to the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team – Age Group Mixed Team Relay must apply for selection per the terms of Clause F3.

b) 2023 WT TWC Race Competition Rules stipulate that Triathlon Australia may nominate a maximum of 10 teams each comprised of 2 males and 2 females in each age group category of the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships – Hamburg, Germany.

Age group categories are 15-19 years, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 and 70 years and above.

c) The Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager (TANAGM) will make selections for one male and one female age group category team position in priority order according to the fastest race day finish time of eligible athletes at the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon National Championships.

d) When making selections by operation of Clause G6(c) above and there are athletes with equal race day finish times at the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon National Championships in any age group category, the TANAGM will separate such athletes, if necessary, by applying the following criteria in priority order until an athlete is ranked outright:

- i. The athlete who has competed in the greatest number of 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon Team National Selection Events.
- ii. The athlete with the highest individual placing in any single 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon Team National Selection Event.
- iii. The athlete who was most recently a member of an Australian Age Group Triathlon World Championships team.
- iv. The athlete who in the opinion of the TANAGM has the best chance of achieving the highest result in the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships.

e) The Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager (TANAGM) will make selections for one male and one female age group category team position at their discretion by operation of this Clause G5.

f) In any age group category where there are less than 40 eligible athletes (10 Age Group Mixed Team Relay Teams) the TAAGC may at its discretion select additional athletes by operation of this Clause G5 up to the maximum of 40 individual athletes (10 Age Group Mixed Team Relay Teams).

g) To be eligible for discretionary selection by operation of G6(e) and G6(f) above an athlete must:

- i. Apply for selection per the terms of Clause F3.
- v. Make a written submission to the National Age Group Manager by emailing [alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au](mailto:alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au) by **5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023**.
- ii. A written submission must include all matters that the athlete wishes the TAAGC to consider in exercising its discretion under this Clause G6(e) and G6(f). Such matters may include details of any injury or illness (which must be accompanied by a medical report signed by a

registered medical practitioner) or any other factor, such as mechanical failure, or an athlete is an Australian citizen residing overseas and or extenuating circumstances that have affected an athlete's performance in any relevant event. Such applications must be supported by well documented and validated races and results.

Race Results must be between the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 to 5pm AEDT on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

## **7. Reserves**

- a) If 20 athletes (male and/or female) are selected in an age group category the TAAGC may at its discretion name up to 5 reserves (male and/or female) per age category.
- b) The reserves will be numbered 1-5 and selected in priority order based on accumulated selection points as set out in Clause G3.
- c) Should a team member withdraw or be removed from the team, the TANAGM may replace that team member with one of the selected reserve athletes and that reserve will be selected in priority order per G3(a) above.
- d) The TANAGM may exercise his/her discretion at any time up until the closing date for nominating reserve athletes to participate in the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon Championships (Hamburg and or Pontevedra) set by World Triathlon. A reserve who is selected per Clause G3 above will be required to accept their selection within a reasonable time to be set at the discretion of the TANAGM.

## **H. SELECTION TO THE TEAM**

1. Only athletes qualified per the terms of Clause G of this policy will be eligible for selection in the Team.
2. Selection per the terms of this policy is conditional upon the athlete complying with the following:
  - a) Providing one of the following to Triathlon Australia at least eight (16) weeks prior to the date of 2023 World Triathlon Age Group World Triathlon Championships:
    - A copy of a current Australian passport
    - A copy of an Australian birth certificate
    - Evidence of Australian citizenship
  - b) Holding a Relevant Triathlon Australia membership at the time of 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Hamburg and or Pontevedra); and
  - c) Not applying for or being the holder of a Triathlon Australia Professional License during the financial year in which 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Triathlon World Championships (Hamburg and or Pontevedra) is conducted.

## I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TEAM

1. Under the terms of this selection policy, the TAAGC is not required to select the maximum of 10 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay Teams or 20 males and 20 females for all other events to the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

Final team numbers are at the absolute discretion of the TAAGC. Triathlon Australia at its discretion may not select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team to attend the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain for reasons including but not limited to Australian Government international travel restrictions and health risks to athletes. Triathlon Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone for any consequence of a decision not to select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra).

2. The 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Preliminary Team as selected by the TAAGC including any reserves will be announced and posted on the Triathlon Australia website [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au) by:

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Preliminary Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Preliminary Team will be posted by **5pm AEDT on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Preliminary Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Preliminary Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Preliminary Team will be posted by **5pm AEST on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2023.**

The 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Preliminary Team (Hamburg and Pontevedra) will be subject to any appeals per the terms of this selection policy.

3. The 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Final Team (Hamburg and Pontevedra) including any reserves will be presented to the Triathlon Australia Board for ratification. The Triathlon Australia Board will be advised of the outcomes of any appeals.

4. The 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Final Team including any reserves will be announced and posted on the TA website by

**Hamburg, Germany** – 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) Final Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) Final Team will be posted by **5pm AEDT on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2023.**

**Pontevedra, Spain** – 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Final Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) Final Team and the 2023 Australian Age Group Standard Distance Aquabike (Non-Draft Legal) Final Team will be posted by **5pm AEST on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May 2023.**

## **J. APPEAL POLICY**

An appeal against a decision of the TAAGC made under this 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy must be made per Triathlon Australia's nominated appeals policy which will be published on the Triathlon Australia website at the same time that this 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy is published.

## **K. ATHLETE AGREEMENT**

1. All 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon team members will be required to sign and comply with the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Agreement.
2. Any selected athlete who fails to sign the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Agreement by the date required by Triathlon Australia will be immediately replaced in the team per Clause G6.
3. Any selected athlete who fails to comply with the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Agreement may be removed from the team and replaced at any time by the TANAGM per Clause G6 and be subject to Triathlon Australia's Disciplinary Rules.

## **L. 2023 AUSTRALIAN AGE GROUP ONLINE TEAM APPLICATION FEE**

1. Athletes will pay a \$75.00 application fee per each individual event/ discipline when notifying Triathlon Australia of their Expression of Interest for the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team selection online. For example, athletes who would like to apply for more than one event e.g., Standard Distance Triathlon and Super Sprint Triathlon will complete two separate online applications with a separate \$75.00 payment for each event.
2. If an athlete is not selected to the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team in the relevant event/ discipline for which they had applied, \$55.00 of their application fee will be refunded. If the athlete was unsuccessful in more than one discipline/ event the athlete will receive \$55.00 of each individual (\$75.00) application fee made to Triathlon Australia.
3. If an athlete is selected onto the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team and the athlete declines the position on the 2023 team in one or more events/ disciplines no part of the application fee will be refunded.
4. If an athlete is selected onto the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team and they accept their position on the team the \$75.00 application fee will be deducted from the athletes overall 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Contribution. If an athlete has been selected in more than one event/ discipline each individual application fee of \$75.00 will be deducted from the athletes overall 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Athlete Contribution.
5. If the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships to be held in Hamburg, Germany and or the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships to be held in Pontevedra, Spain are cancelled by World Triathlon and or the Local Organising Committee athletes will be refunded their \$75.00 per individual application fee to Triathlon Australia less the Active Network online processing fee.



6. If Triathlon Australia at its discretion does not select a 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team (Hamburg and or Pontevedra), athletes who have applied for this team will be refunded their \$75.00 per individual application fee to Triathlon Australia minus the Active Network online processing fee.

#### **Triathlon Australia Limited:**

#### **2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy Published to the Triathlon Australia Website on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2021**

### **2023 AUSTRALIAN AGE GROUP TRIATHLON TEAM SELECTION POLICY AMENDMENTS**

#### **AMENDMENT ONE: Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2022**

Selection Policy Clause E. Selection Points. 1 - 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2021 noted: Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain** must complete 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Sprint Distance Triathlon referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

Selection Policy Clause E. Selection Points. 1 - 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2022 notes: Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group **Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain** must complete the 2022 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon National Championships and the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Sprint Distance Triathlon referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy.

#### **AMENDMENT TWO: Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2022**

Selection Policy G.2a) – 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2021 noted: Place first, second, third, fourth or fifth at the 2023 Australian Age Group National Championships in the following disciplines: Sprint Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Triathlon and Aquabike. 2023 Australian Age Group National Championship details are noted on the Triathlon Australia 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events Calendar [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au)

Selection Policy G.2a) – 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2022 notes: Place first, second, third, fourth or fifth at the 2022 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon National Championships and the 2023 Australian Age Group National Championships in the following disciplines: Sprint Distance Triathlon, Standard Distance Triathlon and Aquabike. 2023 Australian Age Group National Championship details are noted on the Triathlon Australia 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events Calendar [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au)

#### **AMENDMENT THREE: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2022**

World Triathlon announced the official date for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon (Draft Legal) and Mixed Team Relay (Draft Legal) World Championships on Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2022. The event to be held in Hamburg, Germany will occur from the 13<sup>th</sup> of July to the 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2023. The following Selection Policy Clauses were updated to note this confirmed date: Title Page – Event One, Important Message to 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Applicants, A. Interpretation – 2023 WT TWC and Team, B.1 – Introduction.

#### **AMENDMENT FOUR: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2022**

Selection Policy Clause G.4 (Australian's Residing Overseas) and G.5 (Discretionary Selections) have been updated to note that written applications under G.4 and G.5 should be emailed to the Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager by email [alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au](mailto:alexandra.fehon@triathlon.org.au) and not submitted online through the Triathlon Australia website [www.triathlon.org.au](http://www.triathlon.org.au)

#### **AMENDMENT FIVE: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2022**

World Triathlon announced the official date for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Standard Distance Triathlon, Super Sprint Triathlon and Standard Distance Aquabike World Championships on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2022. The event to be held in Pontevedra, Spain will occur from the 20th of September to the 24th of September 2023. The following Selection Policy Clauses were updated to note this confirmed date: Title Page – Event Two, Important Message to 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Applicants, A. Interpretation – 2023 WT TWC and Team, B.1 – Introduction.

#### **AMENDMENT SIX: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 2022**

Selection Policy Clause G.6 has been updated to note c) The Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager (TANAGM) will make selections for one male and one female age group category team position in priority order according to the fastest race day finish time of eligible athletes at the 2023 Australian Age Group Sprint Distance Triathlon National Championships. Selection Policy Clause G.6.e was added to the Selection Policy e) The Triathlon Australia National Age Group Manager (TANAGM) will make selections for one male and one female age group category team position at their discretion by operation of this Clause G5.

#### **AMENDMENT SEVEN: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2022**

Due to the planned 2023 Australian Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon National Championships falling outside the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team selection date period. Selection Policy Clause E.1 has been updated to Athletes who would like to be selected for the 2023 World Triathlon Age Group Super Sprint Triathlon (Non-Draft Legal) World Championships event – Pontevedra, Spain must complete the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team National Selection Events – Sprint Distance Triathlon referred to in Clause D of the 2023 Australian Age Group Triathlon Team Selection Policy. Selection Policy Clause E.2 – Column 3 and Selection Policy Clause G.2(a) have been updated to not include a 2023 Australian Age Group National Super Sprint Triathlon Championships.