

BIKE SKILLS ENDORSEMENT INFORMATION

Bike Skills Endorsement Procedures for all Athletes Aged 13-19 years

The following information is for all athletes aged 13-19 years of age who wish to compete in national and/or state triathlon events with a draft legal cycling leg including **Australian Youth I Junior I U23 Triathlon Events (AYJU23)** and **Australian Schools Triathlon Festival (ASTF)**.

Triathlon Australia Membership Types

For the Triathlon Australia membership season there are a number of membership category types an athlete may register under, these are identified below. Please note the age for 13-19 years as at 31 December 2023:

- Premium or Standard Junior Membership
- Premium or Standard Junior (non-club) Membership

Draft Legal Endorsement Procedure

The Draft legal endorsement can either be **Automatic** or **Demonstrated**.

Automatic Endorsement

Any athlete who has previously held a Draft Legal Endorsement will be automatically endorsed for 2022-23 season.

Procedure:

- The athlete should take out a Junior Premium or Standard TA Membership.
- Athletes that have previously held a Draft Legal Endorsement are NOT required to complete the online endorsement register every year.

Demonstrated Endorsement

Any athlete who has **NOT** previously completed a Draft Legal Endorsement, **AND/OR** has NOT raced in a draft legal event are required to have their bike handling skills and knowledge endorsed as “competent” to hold a Draft Legal Endorsement Credential.

Procedure:

- Contact your club/coach to let them know you are interested in undertaking a draft legal endorsement to start your training for it. See assessment below.
- Complete an endorsement assessment, they can be conducted by either: A currently accredited Performance Triathlon Coach or higher; or an approved bike skills assessor in your respective state triathlon association
- Undertake the draft legal endorsement with the assessor.
- Once completed successfully either the athlete (18+) or parent/guardian must add the details of the endorsement to the register: [Triathlon Australia DLE Register](#).

Athletes that have competed in road/criterium cycling races and do not hold a current a Draft Legal Credential must still complete the demonstrated endorsement process.

Contacts

For further information about the membership/endorsement process please get in contact with your local State Triathlon Association:

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