

# TECHNICAL OFFICIAL GUIDELINES

## Transition – Pre Event

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*It needs to be recognised that Technical Officials are at an event to ensure that the technical and safety requirements of the event are observed, Technical Officials are not there to undertake activities that are responsibilities of the Race Director (RD), or the event organisation.*

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**Supported by: Technical Delegate & other Senior Technical Team members**

## Overview

Support athletes when in the transition area to rack their bikes and set up their equipment

## Responsibilities

- Ensure bikes are racked appropriately:
  - When racking the day prior to the event bikes are to be racked by handlebars unless advised otherwise by the TD or designate
  - Some bikes, e.g. Time Trial bikes or bikes with flat handlebars may require cable ties in order to be racked by the handlebars. These should be provided by the event organiser
  - On the morning of the event, bikes may be racked either by the seat or handlebars based on the preference of the athlete
- Ensure bikes are racked in the correct area
- Double check bikes - refer to TO Bike Check In Role Specification for details
- If on the day of the event, double check helmets - refer to TO Helmet Check Role Specification for details
- Advise athletes that no covers are to be left on the bikes
- Athletes may not touch the equipment belonging to another competitor, should equipment require moving this can be done by a Technical Official or Event Personnel
- Markers:
  - Markers are not allowed in transition. These are usually set up by an athlete to make finding their bike/equipment easier when entering transition.
  - Examples of markers may include:
    - Towels/bright objects hanging off the rack or bike
    - Talcum powder “spilt” near the bike position
  - If noticed when the athlete is setting up their gear, advise that position markers are not allowed and ask for it to be removed
  - Should a marker be found after the athlete has left the transition area, it should be removed by the Technical Official
- Advise athletes to remove all items from transition that are not required for the event, eg bags, pumps etc

- Advise athletes of the transition closing time
- Provide information to athletes on the rules applicable to the event
- If you are unable to assist with any issues or answer any questions relating to the above, please bring these to the attention of the TD and/or RR
- For questions relating to the organisation of the transition area, course or other event issues, please advise the athlete to contact the event organiser.

**Reference:** [AusTriathlon Race Competition Rules](#)