

# 2017 TRIATHLON CANADA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### For Canada's 150th anniversary, an exciting new format makes its debut.

In close collaboration with Triathlon Canada and lead partners Triathlon Ontario and Ottawa Tourism, the Ottawa International Triathlon is excited to present the 2017 Triathlon Canada National Championships on June 17-18, 2017.

The 2017 Triathlon Canada National Championships takes on an exciting and vibrant new competition format following in the footsteps of the highly successful format of the Tiszaujvaros World Cup in Hungary. The Ottawa International Triathlon opens up on Saturday with super-sprint distance heats and concludes Sunday with sprint distance finals.

The start line on Saturday will have Canada's top Junior (16-19 years), U23 (20-23 years) and Elites all lining up together to earn their place in Sunday's final. For the first time ever, multiple Canadian Championship titles will be up for grabs in one event.

The Ottawa International Triathlon has worked closely with Triathlon Canada to ensure the 2017 National Championships are fully aligned with Triathlon Canada's High Performance strategy targeting a podium finish at the Commonwealth Games Mixed Team Relay in 2018. The 2017 National Championships will offer an opportunity for automatic selection to the Commonwealth Games triathlon AND identify Canada's fastest Mixed Team Relay contenders.

# THE RACE

The 2017 Triathlon Canada National Championships for Junior, U23 and Elite athletes are all contested at the **2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup** on June 17-18, 2017. The event is sanctioned by the ITU and follows all <u>2017 ITU Rules</u>.

#### ELIGIBILITY

All Canadian athlete (including juniors) must have a 2017 Triathlon Canada International Competition Card (ICC) to compete in this event. For more information on 2017 Triathlon Canada ICC please visit the <u>Triathlon Canada website</u>.

Eligibility for the titles of 2017 Triathlon Canada National Championships are as follows:

- **Elite**: open to all Canadian Citizens in the 2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup;
- **U23**: open to all Canadian Citizens between 16 and 23 years of age in the 2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup;
- Junior; open to all Canadian Citizens between 16 and 19 years of age in the 2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup;



### **RACE FORMAT**

The **2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup** features qualifying semifinal heats on Saturday, with finals on Sunday.

On Saturday June 17, semi-final heats are contested over a super sprint distance (i.e. swim: 250-300 m; bike: 5-8 km; run 1.5-2 km). The top finishers in each heat automatically advance, to the "A" finals to contest for the National Championships. The remainder of the National Championship Final start list is decided by fastest overall qualifying times. Please note that the number of qualifying heats, athletes per heat, distances and qualifying format are all subject to final approval by the ITU Technical Delegate.

The overall results for the event are determined from the National Championship Final followed by the semi-final qualifying times of all other athletes, as directed by the ITU rules. For additional details please see ITU Rule 20.4 a. and b.;

• <u>http://www.triathlon.org/uploads/docs/itusport\_competition-rules\_2017.pdf</u> page 76

The Race Director may offer second event to athletes who did not earn a place in the A Final (i.e. a Consolation Final).

#### TRIATHLON CANADA NATIONAL CHAMPION

The title of Triathlon Canada National Champion will be assigned based on the results of eligible athletes in the A Final. In the event that a category does not have an eligible athlete in the A Final, an overall finishing order is determined as follows:

- i. To the DNF athletes in the A Final, according to their times in the semi-finals;
- ii. To the DNS athletes in the A Final according to their times in the semi-final;
- iii. If the race does not have a B Final: The athletes who did not qualify for the final, are ranked according to their times in the semi-finals. If the race has B Final: The results from the B Final will determine their ranking;
- iv. DSQ athletes are not ranked.

#### JUNIOR ATHLETES

The exposure of our juniors to competitors at the next stage of the competition pathway is an important part of their development. Furthermore, fielding our best athletes together increases the depth of the field and allows them the opportunity to line up next to their Canadian peers including, Olympians, World Cup and World Triathlon Series competitors. The short format and dynamic race environment of the super sprint format provides the athletes with a glimpse of the level of competition at the International level

#### JUNIOR SERIES POINTS

Junior Series points are assigned from the final finishing order of all <u>Junior</u> athletes. The best ranked Junior is used for determining all points.



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### **ENTERING THE RACE**

The 2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup is an ITU sanctioned event and the entry process for ITU sanctioned events is very strict. All Canadian entries into the 2017 Ottawa CAMTRI Sprint Triathlon Premium American Cup must follow the online registration process.

Triathlon Canada is working with the Ottawa International Triathlon to unsure the registration process is easy to follow, streamlined and as simple as possible.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

Please contact Triathlon Canada (<u>info@triathloncanada.com</u>) and The Ottawa International Triathlon (<u>info@ottawatriathlon.ca</u>) if you have any questions