

PARATRIATHLETE MEMBERSHIP LICENSE CRITERIA

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY

Qualification for a Paratriathlete Membership

A paratriathlete membership option is available for athletes who have a permanent physical or visual impairment that impacts their ability to participate in the sport of triathlon without certain rules accommodations, adaptations or special equipment.

As defined in the paratriathlon rules, athletes with miscellaneous conditions such as, but not limited to, intolerance to temperature extremes, organ transplants, joint replacements (endoprosthetics), kidney dialysis, hearing impairments, and or cognitive impairment are not eligible for a paratriathlete membership type. Furthermore, paratriathletes must be able to complete the entire race course without the forward propulsive assistance of another person (excluding visually impaired athletes and their guide).

Athletes MUST present proof of their paratriathlete membership at all USA Triathlon-sanctioned events; therefore, athletes should carry licenses to all events. In the event of a misplaced membership card, temporary cards may be printed at the USA Triathlon website.

As a member of USA Triathlon, athletes are free to choose any membership type for which they are eligible (i.e. paratriathlete or an age group membership)

Benefits of a Paratriathlete Membership

This membership is for athletes with disabilities who wish to race in paratriathlons or PC Open competitions at USA Triathlon sanctioned events, at any distance (from sprint to ultra) and format (triathlon, duathlon, off-road, winter, etc). This license costs \$45 or \$15 (depending on the athlete age as of December 31) and is based on a revolving year. A Paratriathlete membership is good for one year to the end of the month; for example if you purchase a membership on June 8th, it would not expire until June 30th of the following year.

Athletes with a paratriathlete membership will be included in the yearly USA Paratriathlon rankings based on their finish results at USA Triathlon sanctioned races. Athletes will also be included in para-specific updates and promotional emails.