Starting a Collegiate Triathlon Club

The process of starting a collegiate club can seem like a challenge, but this resource will provide all the necessary tools! Please visit the Collegiate Club website and review the information below.

1) Review the collegiate competitive rules document. Ensure that sections 3.5, 3.6, 5 are fulfilled.

2) Find the department that oversees student organizations (e.g. student activities, campus life, etc). This office will answer any questions and cover the process of registering a new organization. Each institution is different but here are some of the most common pieces:
   a. Require clubs to have a faculty advisor
   b. A minimum number of students required to start a new organization (usually 5 – 12)
   c. A constitution and the office that helps start new clubs will be able to provide an example
   d. Most institutions will require some type of orientation meeting

3) Some institutions have a separate student organization and sport club department. If that is the case, the club will most likely need to establish a student organization and then through the recreation sports department apply to become a sports club.

4) Register with USA Triathlon
   a. The membership cost for the collegiate club is $50
   b. Follow directions on this page

5) USAT Collegiate Triathlon Conferences and Commissioners
   a. Find out your institution’s conference
   b. Commissioners can answer questions about a starting a club, how to participate in conference races and collegiate club nationals
      i. Florida Collegiate Triathlon Conference (FCTC) Commissioner: Dylan Beitel
      ii. Mid-Atlantic (MACTC) Commissioner: Tyler Rodgers
      iii. Mideast (MECTC) Commissioner: Nicolas White
      iv. Midwest (MWCTC) Commissioner: Anne Schwarzwald
      v. Mountain (MCTC) Commissioner: Brandon Wallace
      vi. Northeast (NECTC) Commissioner: Karim Mabrouk
      vii. Northwest (NWCTC) Commissioner: Blair Bronson
      viii. South Midwest (SMWCTC) Commissioner: Tim McCurry
      ix. Southeast (SECTC) Commissioner: Thomas Easley
      x. West Coast (WCCTC) Commissioner: Dean Harper
      xi. Collegiate Club Chair: Liz Hinley

6) Other Important Items to Consider:
   a. Create officer positions and define their responsibilities
   b. Establish a set practice schedule
   c. Find a coach (not necessary, but could be beneficial)
   d. Advertising on campus
   e. Establish a social media presence