



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