

TRIATHLON ACT (TACT) ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY



The sport of triathlon is an outdoor activity that takes place within the natural environment. Triathlon ACT recognises its responsibility to promote environmentally sustainable practices to meet the social, cultural, economic, and ecological needs of the present and future generations.

TACT acknowledges the global challenges related to the environment and natural resources. We are committed to reducing our resource consumption and ecological footprint through effective and efficient sustainable practices.

TACT aims to lead the way in environmentally sustainable development within the sports industry. We strive to achieve environmentally sustainable outcomes in all aspects of our sport.

We will collaborate with other organisations in the sports industry, government, community, and industry that share our commitment to environmental sustainability.

TACT will raise awareness and provide education on environmental sustainability. We will promote sustainable values and principles to all staff, board members, volunteers, members, participants, and corporate organisations involved in triathlon.

Principles: The following principles guide the TACT Environmental Sustainability Policy in our commitment to environmentally sustainable sport:

- TACT will integrate sustainability principles into the strategic direction and decision-making processes at all levels of the organisation.
- We will identify and implement alternative and sustainable actions to minimise the environmental impact of triathlon.
- We will foster an environmentally sustainable and responsible culture within the triathlon and multisport community.
- TACT will establish sustainable and achievable targets to reduce the environmental impact and resource use associated with triathlon.
- We are committed to continually improving our environmental sustainability performance.
- We will raise awareness among our members and the public about their responsibilities in promoting environmental sustainability.

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TACT will strive to reduce our ecological footprint by following the Sustainable Sport Event Management (SSEM) Best Practice Model, which consists of a Nine Phased Approach to sustainable event management. This approach includes sound planning, efficient implementation, review, and continuous improvement.

The nine phases are as follows:

1. Laying the Groundwork:
 - Creating Sustainable Commitment & Strategy
 - Sound Management
 - Site Selection and/or Construction
2. Making it Happen:
 - Site, Venue, and Office Management
 - Community and Supply Chain
 - Transportation and Accommodation
 - Catering, Food, and Beverage
3. Telling People:
 - Marketing and Communication
 - Athlete and Public Engagement

Roles and Responsibilities: The TACT Board will oversee the implementation of environmentally sustainable practices across the organisation. They will provide guidance to members, clubs, and race directors on matters of strategic and operational significance related to environmental sustainability.

The Executive Director will be responsible for:

- Implementing environmentally sustainable practices in business and event operations.
- Ensuring staff understand their responsibilities regarding environmental sustainability in the workplace.
- Developing an environmentally aware culture within the organisation and office environment.

The TACT Board and Executive Director will coordinate and facilitate the auditing and monitoring of our environmentally sustainable practices. This information will be publicised to our members annually in the Annual Report.