

Guidelines for Results & Placement of Transgender Individuals in the Beach Series

The Beach Series will be conducted in such a way as to give an equal placing to transgender participants with the individuals in the event, category and class. In effect allowing the placement to be measured while still recognising the efforts of all participants within that class.

A transgender (male-to-female) must verify the following guidelines;

- Blood-measured testosterone levels must fall within the range of her affirmed gender (0.7-3nmol/l) for a minimum period of 24 months (2 years) prior to and during racing, and
- must have been living as her affirmed gender for greater than 2 years, and
- have legal documentation (ie. Passport, Statutory Declaration) stating her affirmed Gender.

Below is an outline of the Results & Placement (awards) of transgender individuals:

Actual Placing		Proposed Placing	
Placement		Placement	
1	Cisgender	1	Cisgender
2	Cisgender	2	Cisgender
3	Transgender	3rd equal	Cisgender
4	Cisgender		Transgender

For example;

1. If a transgender individual is placed 1st they will then become 1^{st=} with the other participants in that race/category being placed 1^{st=}, 2nd and 3rd.
2. If a transgender individual is placed 2nd they will then become 2^{nd=} with the other participants in that race/category being placed 1st, 2^{nd=} and 3rd.
3. If a transgender individual is placed 3rd they will then become 3^{rd=} with the other participants in that race/category being placed 1st, 2nd and 3^{rd=} (as outlined in the above diagram).

This structure for results and placement (awards) ensures fairness within the class is kept, and allows for complete inclusion and recognition for achievement for all event participants.

Please consider when reading this document that the Beach Series is a grass-roots, community-based, participation event that encourages health and fitness, fun, social interaction, healthy competition and most importantly, all inclusion of it's members and family.

This document has been put together collaboratively between 45 Events Ltd (Beach Series), NZSUP and transgender participants and is seen as a working document between all parties, including other Beach Series participants.