

Wetsuit Info

With temperatures in Kelowna expected to continue to be well above normal until race weekend, there is a strong possibility that the use of wetsuits may be prohibited according to the Triathlon Canada Competition Rules and the ITU Competition Rules. Please see below for relevant rules and their interpretation for the use of a second swimsuit.

Triathlon Canada Competition Rules, March 2009

D.2 Wetsuit Use

The use of wetsuits will be determined by the following tables.

Elite athletes	Swim Length	Forbidden Above	Mandatory Below	Maximum stay in water
	1500m	20°C	14°C	30 minutes

Junior Athletes	Swim Length	Forbidden Above	Mandatory Below	Maximum stay in water
	750m	20°C	14°C	20 minutes

Age Group Athletes	Swim Length	Forbidden Above	Mandatory Below	Maximum Stay in Water
	0-1500m	22°C	14°C	70 Minutes

D.3.2.E ILLEGAL EQUIPMENT

Athletes must not use a second swim suit which they remove after the swim in non-wetsuit events.

The ITU Competition Rules state:

D.2.E For non-wetsuit swims, competitors must wear their ITU approved uniform on the outside. On Olympic Distance races or shorter for all categories, if they wear a second suit, it must be worn underneath the official uniform and cannot be removed during the whole competition.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

If wetsuits are prohibited according to the Competition Rules you may not wear a second suit for the swim only. Whatever you are wearing when you enter the water at the start of the race, you are expected to wear until after you have crossed the finish line.