

### Triathlon England General Meeting Club Voting

Triathlon England has highlighted a reoccurring issue in relation to Regulation 92, which is that *every member shall have one vote*. As clubs are also our members we don't have the authority to deny a vote, therefore they can attend the meeting in two capacities and cast two votes.

#### **How do individual members vote?**

- Individual members attending a general meeting will be asked if they are representing an affiliated triathlon club. If they say yes, they will be asked to confirm that they have authority to represent the club. If they answer yes then it will be checked that they are entered on the membership database as having notified themselves as being a member of that club, in which case they will be given a club voting card (in addition to their normal voting card). The two types of voting card will be of different colours (so that we can check that anybody casting two votes is only casting one vote of each type). No further enquiry will be made into the authority to represent the club, except as set out below. TE does not direct the procedure by which clubs give authority to a person to represent the club at a general meeting.

#### **What if two members want to represent their club?**

- If two or more individual members claim to represent the same club, they will be invited to agree between themselves who will cast the vote. If they cannot agree, the matter will be resolved by the Chair of the Meeting (i.e. normally the President), who will decide (by whatever means he or she thinks fit) which, if any, of the two or more individual members may receive the voting card for that club and whose decision will be final.

#### **When will this be communicated to my club?**

- Clubs will be informed in advance of each general meeting of the procedure to be followed at the general meeting for accrediting club representation and be given the opportunity to notify to the TEMB via a specified email address who is authorised to represent the club at the meeting, in which case that notification will override the default procedure outlined above (i.e. no other person will be accepted as representing that club even if the nominated representative does not attend). The notice must come from the club chair or secretary (who must identify themselves as such) or from the general email contact notified to TE by the club

#### **I'm not a member of Triathlon England - can I vote?**

- Individuals who are not individual TE members will not be accepted as representing an affiliated club unless they have been notified in advance by the club as outlined above

If the above procedure is followed and a club voting card is issued, the club will be taken as being in attendance at the meeting for quorum purposes.

If you have any queries or questions in relation to this, please do not hesitate to get in touch with a member of the Triathlon England team.