

# SUN RUN GUIDELINE FOR TRANSGENDER/TRANSSEXUAL PARTICIPANTS

## Overview

Northern Beaches Council (Council) supports the participation of transgender/transsexual people in our sporting events subject to the measures set out in this guideline to address any unfair competitive advantage.

This guideline applies to the Sun Run 2021 event. The measures provided for by this guideline are consistent with Council's obligations under relevant discrimination laws in the context of running single sex sporting competitions.

In preparing this guideline, Sun Run and Council has had regard to relevant policies/guidelines adopted by Australian sporting bodies, including Athletics Australia. However, this guideline also takes into account that our events are not purely run for the sake of competition, but for community and social benefit. For many entrants, competing against others, is not the primary objective.

## Eligibility

Female to male transgender/transsexual participants are eligible to compete in any Event, and in any category, without restrictions.

Except for the elite category (or equivalent), female to male transgender/transsexual participants are eligible to compete in any Event in the male category provided they notify Council (Sun Run) of their transgender status by no later than one (1) month prior to the event in which they seek to compete.

Male to female transgender/transsexual participants are eligible to compete in any Event in the elite category (or equivalent) in the female category provided they meet the criteria set out below.

A male to female transgender/transsexual participant who fails to notify the event organisers of their intention to compete in a female category (including a non-elite category) in accordance with this guideline may be deemed ineligible to compete, place and/or win a prize.

## Criteria for elite category

- The transgender/transsexual participant has notified Council (Sun Run) of their case as soon as possible and, in any event, no later than one (1) month before the event in which she seeks to compete.
- Legal recognition of that transgender/transsexual participant's assigned sex has been conferred by the appropriate official authorities (e.g. sex recognition certificate) and a copy provided to Council (Sun Run).

- Medical opinion provided by the participant's doctor addressing the following:
  - 1. details of the hormonal therapy administered to the participant; and
  - 2. confirmation that the duration of the hormonal therapy has, in the doctor's opinion, been sufficient to minimise gender related advantages in competitive sport having regard to the participant's strength, stamina and build.

### **Confidentiality and privacy**

All cases that are notified to Council under this guideline shall be treated in strict confidence with access restricted to people who need to know.

Council collects personal information to review a potential participant's eligibility to compete in an Event under this guideline and to facilitate the registration process for events. Personal information is handled in accordance with Council's Privacy Policy.