

Handicap Regulations 2021

Allocating Handicaps.

Handicaps are calculated on a computerized program owned by Greg Hawthorne and are based on the best performances of each athlete.

The three types of handicap are:

1. Competition handicaps – for an athlete who has run in the required number of lead up events for accurate handicapping.
For the purposes of allocating the different types of handicap, a run is a performance which achieves a time per kilometre of 8 ½ minutes or less.
2. Provisional – for an athlete who has not run in the required number of lead up events for accurate handicapping.
3. Default – if the athlete is running for the first time in a season.

Eligibility for Point Scoring and the Froggy Wise Trophies

1. To qualify for a competition handicap, an athlete must have completed three runs before the Snug Handicaps and the Wentworth Park Sealed handicap and five runs for all subsequent handicap events.
2. Athletes who have not qualified for a competition handicap are not eligible for handicap competition points in the Froggy Wise handicap and are not eligible for the Froggy Wise trophies.
3. In the handicap events other than the Froggy Wise, a runner with a provisional handicap may score points in the handicap competition but his/her performance will be scrutinized after the race and the points score may be reduced or removed if the handicap has been too lenient. This will be determined statistically.
4. A runner with a default handicap cannot score points in the handicap competition and is ineligible for the Froggy Wise trophies.

Notes

Regulation 3 section "Eligibility..." applies only to holders of provisional handicaps who finish in the top 15, that is, point scoring places in the handicap competition. Numbers are expected to be low.

Regulation 2 section "Eligibility..." is applied because the Froggy Wise is the last event of the season and the handicap competition trophy winners and place getters have to be determined on the day. There is not enough time to scrutinize the results of provisional handicap holders.

