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## Emma Snowsill

### Triathlon Australia

Emma Snowsill is recognized as the highest award winning woman in ITU Triathlon History. An Olympic, Commonwealth and triple World Champion, Emma has won the ITU World Cup 11 times and graced the podium a cool 23 times.

Emma Snowsill won the 2000 International Triathlon Union (ITU) World Championship in the 16–20 years age category plus the gold medal at the 2001 Sydney Youth Olympic Festival Triathlon at age 19. She was awarded a scholarship with the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) and was voted 16–19 years female Triathlete of the Year 2000.

In 2003, Snowsill became ITU World Champion for the first time in Queenstown, New Zealand. In 2004 she won the ITU World Cup Championship and finished the season ranked first in the world.

In 2005, Snowsill took her second world crown in Gamagori, Japan, in 35 °C (95 °F) temperatures and 90% relative humidity.

During 2005 and 2006 she was the winner of the Lifetime Fitness Triathlon in Minneapolis. She won the gold medal at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne. She won another gold medal at the 2006 World ITU Championships in Lausanne, where she finished 45 seconds in front of Portuguese triathlete Vanessa Fernandes. This made her the first female triathlete to win three world titles.

In 2008, Snowsill won the Mooloolaba World Cup season opener but skipped the ITU World Championships in order to devote all of energy to the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Snowsill won the Olympic gold medal with a time of 1:58:27, 1 minute 7 seconds ahead of Fernandes becoming the first Australian to win gold in the triathlon. On 26 January 2009, Snowsill was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.

At the 2010 Grand Final in Budapest, Snowy killed her opposition with a 33:08 run split that was 1:57 better than runner-up Emma Moffatt and even more time ahead of 3rd place finisher Nicola Spirig.

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