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| Title: | 2025/2026 Club Photographer Pass Application – North Queensland |
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| Department: | Sport |
| Audience: | North Queensland Branch and North Queensland Clubs |
| Summary: | Information for Clubs and Team Managers wishing to nominate members to be club photographers for the 2025/2026 season. |
| Date: | 9 th April 2025 |

Surf Life Saving Queensland has a duty of care to ensure that all the necessary steps are taken to protect its members and the Surf Life Saving Trademark. Photographer accreditation and passes assist to regulate persons with access to “controlled” competition areas at carnivals.

Applications are now invited from North Queensland Clubs for 2025/2026 Club Photographer Accreditations. Clubs may apply for up to four (4) club photographer passes (2 senior & 2 junior). Accredited photographers will be granted limited access to: Junior Club Carnivals, Junior Branch Carnivals, Senior Club Carnivals, Senior Branch Carnivals, and Premiership Series Carnivals.

Please note this pass will NOT include access to the following Carnivals: 2026 Queensland Championships, 2026 Queensland Youth Championships or SLSA conducted events (including the National Ironman Series, Coolangatta Gold and The Australian Championships.)

Please see the Club Photographer’s Code of Conduct below. It is the responsibility of the Club to ensure that all applicants are familiar with the terms of the Code. Compliance with the Code of Conduct is an essential condition for receiving and maintaining accreditation.

Applicants should also make themselves aware of and adhere to any Surf Life Saving policy’s as they relate to photography, privacy, and social media. Policies can be accessed via the [SLSQ App](#) or the [SLSA Members Area](#)

APPLICATIONS

The application form is attached. Please ensure the following criteria are adhered to:

- Current “Working with Children Check” – Blue Card that is registered through their club on Surfguard.
- CRYMS and the SLS – Safeguarding Children and Young People Awareness Courses have both been completed and also show on Surfguard.
- Supply SLSQ with a colour portrait photo for inclusion on the pass – this can be emailed.
(The Photo needs to be clear with no hats or sunglasses on although smiling is permitted).
- **Club endorsement from the Club President only.**

CLOSING DATE

Applications are to be emailed/mailed to Karen Degnian and must be received at SLSQ **by 5.00pm on Friday 1st August 2025** via:

- Email to the Sport Administrator: kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au
- Post: PO Box 239 Mermaid Beach. QLD 4218

If you have any questions or would like further information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Stuart Hogben
Sport Manager
Surf Life Saving Queensland

2025-2026 CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER'S – CODE OF CONDUCT:

1. Members applying for this pass MUST have completed a current "Working with Children Check" – SUITABILITY CARD stating that they are suitable for child related employment, and this be registered through their club.
2. Members applying for a Club Photographer's Pass must supply SLSQ with a colour portrait photo for inclusion on the pass.
3. Due to trademark licensing of Surf Life Saving imagery, photographer accreditation will only be granted on the express condition that any photograph taken of competitors during or in connection with any Queensland Surf Sports event may only be used for Club activities. Any commercial reproduction of photographs (including on selling of images or providing to external organizations) must receive prior written approval by Surf Life Saving Queensland. Photographs taken may only be used for Club promotions and use including web sites, reports and publications.
4. Club executive/board members are to ensure that any images captured by their endorsed club photographer are used appropriately and to further ensure all images placed on club social networks including, but not limited to Websites, Newsletters and Social media pages are endorsed by the club.
5. Club photographers also acknowledge that they will be guided by Officials and may only receive limited access to the competition area. Carnival Referees will provide details of beach access at each carnival to Team Managers at the Team Manager briefings. Club photographers are asked to liaise with their Club Team Manager at each carnival to ensure they are aware of all information given by the Referee.
6. This general Club Photographer accreditation does not apply to the Queensland Surf Life Saving Championships and the Queensland Youth Surf Life Saving Championships. Club Photographers will not be permitted in the competition area. No passes will be issued for the Queensland Championships or Queensland Youth Championships.
7. This accreditation does not apply for national events including the Australian Championships or the Ironman Series.
8. This pass is not to be used by any other person/s whose name does not appear on the pass.
9. The pass must be worn and made visible at all carnivals. If you do not have your pass at the carnival, you will not be permitted to photograph at the carnival.
10. The pass is only valid for the current competition season. Club photographers must reapply each year.
11. Only four (4) passes per Club will be issued. Clubs are advised that changing the passes during the season will not be permitted. Only under extenuating circumstances, will SLSQ review issuing another pass. In order for this to occur SLSQ must receive correspondence (on Club letterhead) outlining a change in photographer's request, the original photographer's pass must be returned, and these items must be accompanied by an endorsed application for a new photographer. SLSQ will review the Clubs request and communicate a decision to the Club. (Note: Clubs are advised to ensure the Club Photographer selected is able to meet all the Clubs needs as SLSQ will not be reissuing passes should a Club change their mind and want a new photographer).

2025-2026 SURF SPORTS SEASON

CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER ACCREDITATION APPLICATION

NORTH QUEENSLAND

MEMBER'S NAME _____

CLUB NAME _____

"WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK" BLUE CARD NUMBER _____

MEMBER POSTAL ADDRESS _____

MEMBER'S PHONE (H): _____ (M): _____

MEMBER'S EMAIL _____

PHOTOGRAPHER DISCLAIMER:

I hereby state that I have read the 'Club Photographer's – Code of Conduct and agree to comply with all the conditions. I understand that I must comply with Surf Life Saving Queensland's trademark licensing and if found in breach of this my pass will be revoked. I also understand that Surf Life Saving Queensland will allow limited areas available to Club Photographers and that carnival Officials may ask photographers to leave certain areas of competition.

Please Tick

I have completed the following:

I have a current Blue Card on Surf Guard: ☐ A portrait photo (no hat/sunglasses): ☐
CYRMS up to date on SurfGuard: ☐ Child Awareness Course on SurfGuard: ☐

Photographer's Name:

Photographer's Signature:

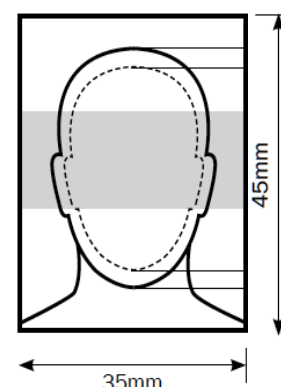
Date:

Club Endorsement

Club President Name:

President Signature:

Date:



Please return to: kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au or
Attention: Karen Degnian - Surf Life Saving Queensland
PO Box 239 Mermaid Beach QLD 4218