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INTRODUCTION

The 2024 North Australian Surf Lifesaving Championships attracts competitors from Queensland and Northern Territory, providing an opportunity to unite over three days showcasing one of Queensland’s most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

This year’s event will be held as follows:

Friday 25th October 2024 - Mackay Aquatics and Recreation Complex, 193 Boundary Road Ooralea.

Saturday 26th October 2024 – Sunday 27th October 2024 - Mackay Harbour Beach

This document outlines some key information relating to the North Australian Championships. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.’

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current edition - *of the Surf Sports Manual*, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular, postpone, cancel and or alter any or all events at the Championships, and/or alter the venue of the competition.

The CC may consult and seek advice from officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required. The CC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the event e.g. Disciplinary Committee & Coach/Athlete Panel.

POSITION	NAME
SLSQ Sport Officer/Proxy	John Hamrey
Event Referee	Kurt Goodwin
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Kye Yeabsley
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
Venue Representative	Peter Marshall

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SAFETY & EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

A Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC) shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Referee and Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency management. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the SEC will be determined by SLSQ.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Kye Yeabsley
Deputy Referee	Natalie Cumming
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	Mackay SLSC
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
IRB/Water Safety Coordinator	David Young

DISTRIBUTION OF BULLETIN

It is most important that the information in this Bulletin is brought to the attention of all Carnival Officials, Team Managers, Coaches and Competitors.

Non-receipt of the Bulletin will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlines in this and other Bulletins and Circulars.

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

The age of competitors will range from Under 11 to Masters.

Events will be conducted in accordance with the SLSA Surf Sports Manual, current Edition, AND any subsequent Circulars issued from Surf Life Saving Australia and/or Surf Life Saving Queensland.

Pool Rescue Events, whilst adhering to the SLSA Surf Sports Manual, will also be conducted in accordance with the ILS Competition Manual, AND any subsequent Bulletins or Circulars.

A copy of these manuals/rules can be found at on the [SLSQ App](#) and www.ilsf.org and also via the SLSA Members Portal.

All competitors wishing to be nominated for the 2024 North Australian Championships (NAC) **MUST** have attained their relevant award/s and/or applicable **2024/25** Competition Evaluation by the close of nominations at **midnight on Sunday 13th October 2024**, to be eligible to be nominated via the SLSA SEMS system. **(NOTE: These Swims must be for the 2024/245 season and not from the 2023/24 season)**

Under 10's may compete in Under 11 team events only.

ALL Under 15 competitors **MUST** have a current and proficient Surf Rescue Certificate to be eligible to compete at the 2024 NAC (Under 14 competitors competing 'up' in Under 15 TEAM events **MUST** also have a current and proficient Surf Rescue Certificate).

ALL Under 17, Under 19, Open and Masters' competitors **MUST** have a current and proficient Bronze Medallion to be eligible to compete at the 2024 NAC.

ALL U15, U17, U19, Open and Masters' competitors **MUST** have completed a Proficiency ('Skills Maintenance') Test by 31 December 2023 OR have completed a Proficiency ('Skills Maintenance') Test for the 2024/25 Season prior to the start of competition. Those members gaining Surf Rescue Certificates and/or Bronze Medallions during the 2023/24

season, prior to the start of competition, will be considered as satisfying the proficiency requirements for entry to these Championships.

Important: Any competitor that attains their relevant award or Pool Evaluation/Competition Evaluation after the close of entries on Sunday 13th October 2024, and prior to the start of competition on Friday 25th October, 2023, MAY still be eligible to compete at the 2024 North Australian Championships provided that they can satisfy the following:

- *The award/assessment/test MUST be processed and entered on SurfGuard by the competitor's respective Branch no later than 5.00pm on Thursday 24th October, 2024.*

OR

- *A copy of the respective award/assessment/test paperwork must be presented to the Carnival Administration Centre by no later than 7.30am on Friday 25th October 2024, (Pool Rescue competitors) or by no later than 12noon on Friday 25th October, 2024 for all other competitors*

Entries for these members, as listed above (i.e. gaining awards after the close of entries), will need to be done as follows:

- *Emailing Karen Degnian at SLSQ – kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au – with the member/s entry details and award details*

OR

- *Nominating 'in-person' at the Carnival Administration Centre by no later than 12pm on Friday 25th October 2024.*

All competitors **MUST** have completed and signed the SLSA Association Application for Membership Form and paid any required membership fees.

It is also **MANDATORY** that all competitors (including reel party members of Belt Race teams) are entered via SLSA's SEMS.

PLEASE NOTE:

It is an offence to enter a person who does not meet the requirements as listed above ('Entry Conditions'), and any irregularities will be considered by the Branch or State Surf Sports Committees. Random checks of all entries will be carried out upon receipt (i.e. award details). Any Club entry found to be incorrectly completed will be dealt with accordingly.

Penalties

Entry of competitors that are ineligible due to non-qualification, award deficiencies or other breaches of Association or Club entry regulations, have penalties provided for as follows:

- The penalty for breach of entry regulations for the 2024 North Australian Surf Life Saving Championships will be the automatic rejection of entries for those persons found to be in breach of regulations and the forfeiture of their entry fees.
- Application of the automatic penalty will not preclude further disciplinary action by the Association against Clubs or other persons if deemed appropriate in the case of serious attempt to defeat Association regulations.

ENTRY REGISTRATIONS

Entries are invited from all Clubs within Queensland and the Northern Territory, for the events as listed under Item 9 (Competition Events) in this Circular.

The method of entry is via Surf Life Saving Australia's SEMS Program for all Clubs – the name of the carnival is '2024 North Australian Championships'.

Entries CLOSE at MIDNIGHT, Sunday 13th October 2024.

DO NOT ENTER RESERVES INTO SEMS. For any Clubs that cannot enter via this system or have reserves that are not already entered, please contact the SLSQ Sport Team – kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au to ensure access is granted for entries to be completed.

Entries close: Sunday 13th October 2024 @ Midnight
Late Entries Close: Sunday 20th October 2024 @ Midnight

NB: NO COMBO TEAMS WILL BE ALLOWED, PLEASE DO NOT ENTER TEAMS INTO SEMS THAT CANNOT BE FILLED.

ENTRY FEES

The entry fee per competitor at the 2024 North Australian Championships is \$38.00 (inc GST) per person regardless of the number of events entered.

Nominations received at Surf Life Saving Queensland after the close of entries on midnight Sunday 13th October 2024 will incur a late fee of \$38.00 (Inc GST) PLUS the original entry fee of \$38.00 (inc GST)

The tax invoice will be issued by Surf Life Saving Queensland to all Clubs after the event.

Team changes/deleting competitors/adding an event for an existing competitor or Late Entries can be done on SEMS until midnight Sunday 20th October 2024.

Any team changes or additions to existing nominations after midnight on the 20th October 2024 can be done by Team Managers on Liveheats after COB Thursday 24th October.

Late nominations (which will incur a penalty fee) and/or additional event nominations to original entries for the Pool Rescue events must be completed prior to the start of competition of these events.

EVENT LIST

Masters Events

1. 110 Years Female Ski Relay (min)
2. 110 Years Female Surf Board Relay (min)
3. 110 Years Female Surf Teams (min)
4. 110 Years Female Taplin Relay (min)
5. 110 Years Male Ski Relay (min)
6. 110 Years Male Surf Board Relay (min)
7. 110 Years Male Surf Teams (min)
8. 110 Years Male Taplin Relay (min)
9. 140 Years Female Beach Relay (min)
10. 140 Years Male Beach Relay (min)
11. 30-39 Years Female 2km Beach Run
12. 30-39 Years Female Beach Flags
13. 30-39 Years Female Beach Sprint

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14. 30-39 Years Female Rescue Tube
15. 30-39 Years Female Surf Board
16. 30-39 Years Female Surf Race
17. 30-39 Years Female Surf Ski
18. 30-39 Years Ironwoman
19. 30-39 Years Female Board Rescue
20. 30-39 Years Male 2km Beach Run
21. 30-39 Years Male Beach Flags
22. 30-39 Years Male Beach Sprint
23. 30-39 Years Male Rescue Tube
24. 30-39 Years Male Surf Board
25. 30-39 Years Male Surf Race
26. 30-39 Years Male Surf Ski
27. 30-39 Years Ironman
28. 30-39 Years Male Board Rescue
29. 30-39 Years Double Ski
30. 40-49 Years Female 2km Beach Run
31. 40-49 Years Female Beach Flags
32. 40-49 Years Female Beach Sprint
33. 40-49 Years Female Rescue Tube
34. 40-49 Years Female Surf Board
35. 40-49 Years Female Surf Race
36. 40-49 Years Female Surf Ski
37. 40-49 Years Ironwoman
38. 40-49 Years Female Board Rescue
39. 40-49 Years Male 2km Beach Run
40. 40-49 Years Male Beach Flags
41. 40-49 Years Male Beach Sprint
42. 40-49 Years Male Rescue Tube
43. 40-49 Years Male Surf Board
44. 40-49 Years Male Surf Race
45. 40-49 Years Male Surf Ski
46. 40-49 Years Ironman
47. 40-49 Years Male Board Rescue
48. 40-49 Years Double Ski
49. 50+ Years Female 1km Beach Run
50. 50+ Years Female Beach Flags
51. 50+ Years Female Beach Sprint
52. 50+ Years Female Rescue Tube
53. 50+ Years Female Surf Board
54. 50+ Years Female Surf Race
55. 50+ Years Female Surf Ski
56. 50+ Years Ironwoman
57. 50+ Years Female Board Rescue
58. 50-59 Years Male 2km Beach Run
59. 50-59 Years Male Beach Flags
60. 50-59 Years Male Beach Sprint
61. 50-59 Years Male Rescue Tube
62. 50-59 Years Male Surf Board
63. 50-59 Years Male Surf Race
64. 50-59 Years Male Surf Ski

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65. 50-59 Years Ironman
66. 50-59 Years Male Board Rescue
67. 50-59 Years Double Ski
68. 60+ Years Male 1km Beach Run
69. 60+ Years Male Beach Flags
70. 60+ Years Male Beach Sprint
71. 60+ Years Male Rescue Tube
72. 60+ Years Male Surf Board
73. 60+ Years Male Surf Race
74. 60+ Years Male Surf Ski
75. 60+ Years Ironman
76. 60+ Years Male Board Rescue
77. 60+ Years Double Ski

Junior Events

78. All Age Relay (8 in total: 1 per age group – U11, U12, U13, U14, U15, U17, Open & Masters)
79. U11 Beach Relay
80. U11 Board Relay
81. U11 Cameron Relay
82. U11 Female 1km Beach Run
83. U11 Female Beach Flags
84. U11 Female Beach Sprint
85. U11 Female Board Rescue
86. U11 Female Surf Board
87. U11 Female Surf Race
88. U11 Ironwoman
89. U11 Male 1km Beach Run
90. U11 Male Beach Flags
91. U11 Male Beach Sprint
92. U11 Male Board Rescue
93. U11 Male Surf Board
94. U11 Male Surf Race
95. U11 Ironman
96. U11 Surf Teams
97. U12 Beach Relay
98. U12 Board Relay
99. U12 Cameron Relay
100. U12 Female 1km Beach Run
101. U12 Female Beach Flags
102. U12 Female Beach Sprint
103. U12 Female Board Rescue
104. U12 Female Surf Board
105. U12 Female Surf Race
106. U12 Ironwoman
107. U12 Male 1km Beach Run
108. U12 Male Beach Flags
109. U12 Male Beach Sprint
110. U12 Male Board Rescue
111. U12 Male Surf Board
112. U12 Male Surf Race
113. U12 Ironman

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114. U12 Surf Teams
115. U13 Beach Relay
116. U13 Board Relay
117. U13 Cameron Relay
118. U13 Female 2km Beach Run
119. U13 Female Beach Flags
120. U13 Female Beach Sprint
121. U13 Female Board Rescue
122. U13 Female Surf Board
123. U13 Female Surf Race
124. U13 Ironwoman
125. U13 Male 2km Beach Run
126. U13 Male Beach Flags
127. U13 Male Beach Sprint
128. U13 Male Board Rescue
129. U13 Male Surf Board
130. U13 Male Surf Race
131. U13 Ironman
132. U13 Surf Teams
133. U14 Beach Relay
134. U14 Board Relay
135. U14 Cameron Relay
136. U14 Female 2km Beach Run
137. U14 Female Beach Flags
138. U14 Female Beach Sprint
139. U14 Female Board Rescue
140. U14 Female Surf Board
141. U14 Female Surf Race
142. U14 Ironwoman
143. U14 Male 2km Beach Run
144. U14 Male Beach Flags
145. U14 Male Beach Sprint
146. U14 Male Board Rescue
147. U14 Male Surf Board
148. U14 Male Surf Race
149. U14 Ironman
150. U14 Surf Teams

Senior Events

151. U15 Beach Relay
152. U15 Board Relay
153. U15 Cameron Relay
154. U15 Female 2km Beach Run
155. U15 Female Beach Flags
156. U15 Female Beach Sprint
157. U15 Female Board Rescue
158. U15 Female Rescue Tube
159. U15 Female Surf Board
160. U15 Female Surf Race
161. U15 Ironwoman
162. U15 Male 2km Beach Run

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163. U15 Male Beach Flags
164. U15 Male Beach Sprint
165. U15 Male Board Rescue
166. U15 Male Rescue Tube
167. U15 Male Surf Board
168. U15 Male Surf Race
169. U15 Ironman
170. U15 Surf Teams
171. U17 Beach Relay
172. U17 Board Relay
173. U17 Taplin Relay
174. U17 Female 2km Beach Run
175. U17 Female Beach Flags
176. U17 Female Beach Sprint
177. U17 Female Board Rescue
178. U17 Female Rescue Tube
179. U17 Female Single Ski
180. U17 Female Surf Board
181. U17 Female Surf Race
182. U17 Ironwoman
183. U17 Male 2km Beach Run
184. U17 Male Beach Flags
185. U17 Male Beach Sprint
186. U17 Male Board Rescue
187. U17 Male Rescue Tube
188. U17 Male Single Ski
189. U17 Male Surf Board
190. U17 Male Surf Race
191. U17 Ironman
192. U17 Surf Teams
193. Open Female 2km Beach Run
194. Open Female Beach Flags
195. Open Female Beach Relay
196. Open Female Beach Sprint
197. Open Female Board Relay
198. Open Female Board Rescue
199. Open Female Double Ski
200. Open Female Surf Belt
201. Open Female Single Ski
202. Open Female Surf Board
203. Open Female Surf Race
204. Open Female Surf Teams
205. Open Female Taplin Relay (3-Person)
206. Open Ironwoman
207. Open Male 2km Beach Run
208. Open Male Beach Flags
209. Open Male Beach Relay
210. Open Male Beach Sprint
211. Open Male Board Relay
212. Open Male Board Rescue
213. Open Male Double Ski

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214. Open Male Single Ski
215. Open Male Surf Board
216. Open Male Surf Race
217. Open Male Surf Teams
218. Open Male Taplin Relay (3-person)
219. Open Ironman
220. Open Male Surf Belt
221. Open Lifesaver Relay
222. Junior March Past
223. Open March Past
224. Open Mixed Double Ski
225. Open Ski Relay

Pool Rescue Competition Events

226. U11 Female 50m Brick Carry
227. U11 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
228. U11 Female 100m Patient Tow with Tube&Fins
229. U11 Male 50m Brick Carry
230. U11 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
231. U11 Male 100m Patient Tow with Tube & Fins
232. U12 Female 50m Brick Carry
233. U12 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
234. U12 Female 100m Patient Tow with Tube&Fins
235. U12 Male 50m Brick Carry
236. U12 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
237. U12 Male 100m Patient Tow with Tube & Fins
238. U11&U12 Female 4 x 50m Medley Relay
239. U11& U12 Male 4 x 50m Medley Relay
240. U13 Female 50m Brick Carry
241. U13 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
242. U13 Female 100m Patient Tow with Tube&Fins
243. U13 Male 50m Brick Carry
244. U13 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
245. U13 Male 100m Patient Tow with Tube & Fins
246. U14 Female 50m Manikin Carry
247. U14 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
248. U14 Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
249. U14 Male 50m Manikin Carry
250. U14 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
251. U14 Male 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
252. U13&U14 Female 4 x 50m Medley Relay
253. U13&U14 Male 4 x 50m Medley Relay
254. U15 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
255. U15 Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
256. U15 Female 100m Manikin Carry with Fins
257. U15 Female 50m Manikin Carry
258. U15 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
259. U15 Male 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
260. U15 Male 100m Manikin Carry with Fins
261. U15 Male 50m Manikin Carry
262. U17 Female 100m Swim with Obstacles

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263. U17 Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
264. U17 Female 100m Manikin Carry with Fins
265. U17 Female 50m Manikin Carry
266. U17 Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
267. U17 Male 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
268. U17 Male 100m Manikin Carry with Fins
269. U17 Male 50m Manikin Carry
270. U15&U17 Female 4 x 50m Medley Relay
271. Open Male 200m Swim with Obstacles
272. Open Male 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
273. Open Male 100m Manikin Carry with Fins
274. Open Male 50m Manikin Carry
275. Open Male 4 x 50m Medley Relay
276. Open Female 200m Swim with Obstacles
277. Open Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
278. Open Female 50m Manikin Carry with Fins
279. Open Female 50m Manikin Carry
280. Open Female 4 x 50m Medley Relay
281. 30-39Yrs Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
282. 30-39Yrs Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
283. 30-39Yrs Female 50m Manikin Carry
284. 30-39Yrs Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
285. 30-39Yrs Male 100m Manikin Tow with fins
286. 30-39Yrs Male 50m Manikin Carry
287. 40-49Yrs Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
288. 40-49Yrs Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
289. 40-49Yrs Female 50m Manikin Carry
290. 40-49Yrs Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
291. 40-49Yrs Male 100m Manikin Tow with fins
292. 40-49Yrs Male 50m Manikin Carry
293. 50+ Yrs. Female 100m Swim with Obstacles
294. 50+ Yrs. Female 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
295. 50+ Yrs. Female 50m Manikin Carry
296. 50-59Yrs Male 100m Swim with Obstacles
297. 50-59Yrs Male 100m Manikin Tow with Fins
298. 50-59Yrs Male 50m Manikin Carry
300. 60+ Yrs. Male 100m Obstacles with fins
301. 60+ Yrs. Male 100m Manikin Tow with fins
302. 60+ Yrs. Male 50m Manikin Carry

Surf Boat Events –

303. U19 Surf Boat
304. U23 Female Surf Boat
305. U23 Male Surf Boat
306. Open Female Surf Boat
307. Open Male Surf Boat
308. Reserve Grade Surf Boat
309. Masters (Over 120 Years) Surf Boat

R&R Events -

310. U15 5Person
311. U14/U15 2Person
312. U13/U14 2Person
313. U10/U11/U12 2Person
314. Open 5Person

NOTES ON EVENTS

Timetable of Events

The DRAFT Timetable of Events for the 2024 NAC will be released in the coming weeks. The FINAL Timetable of Events will be issued with the Final Carnival Circular closer to the start of the Championships. There are however, some key programming points to be aware of, which are subject to change at any time, including:

- Pool Rescue Competition Events – Friday afternoon 25th October 2024 – 11am start
- March Past – Saturday morning 26th October 2024 – 7.15am start
- Surf Boat Championship – Saturday afternoon 26th October 2024 – 1.00pm start
- Lifesaver Relay – Saturday afternoon 26th October 2024 – Time TBC
- 1km and 2km Beach Runs – Sunday morning 27th October 2024 – 7.00am start (TBC)

Masters' Team Events

Age limits of 3-person team races will again this year be restricted to only one age category – 110 Years Minimum Male and 110 Years Minimum Female (ocean events), 140 Years Minimum Male and 140 Years Minimum Female (beach events), and 120 Years Minimum (surf boat events).

Under 11 to Under 14 Events

All U11, U12, U13 and U14 Team events, excluding the Board Rescue events, will be 'Open' events – i.e. teams may be comprised of male and/or female competitors. The only events that will be 'gender-based' events are the Board Rescue events (and pool rescue medley relays).

Under 15, Under 17 Team Events

All U15 and U17 Team events, excluding the Board Rescue events, will be 'Open' events – i.e. teams may be comprised of male and/or female competitors. The only events that will be 'gender-based' events are the Board Rescue events (and pool rescue medley relays).

Competitors Competing 'Up' in Team Events

Competitors are permitted to compete 'up' in another age group in TEAM events as per the SLSA rules and regulations that relate to this (please seek clarification from the SLSA Surf Sports Manual and/or subsequent Bulletins if you are unsure) – AND abiding by 4.11 'Age Group Restrictions' on page 6 of this Circular – HOWEVER, please note that events will NOT be held up for this to occur.

Similarly, events will not be held up whilst competitors are waiting for gear and equipment to arrive from other areas or events.

ADAPTIVE EVENTS

For the first time, Surf Life Saving Queensland will be offering dedicated Adaptive Surf Sport events for competitors with a disability. The event program has been designed based on a process of consultation and feedback conducted by SLSA over the past 24 months.

In this first year a selected program will be on offer as participation events. Events will feature adaptations and modifications to maximise participation and ensure an accessible and enjoyable opportunity for all competitors. This will not be a Championships event in 2024 (with no Championship

medals or placings awarded), however competitors will receive an inaugural medal celebrating its inclusion.

This year's inaugural program will lay the foundation for further refinement and development of robust, fair and meaningful competition in future years.

The Adaptive Surf Sport events will be held on Sunday, 27 October 2024. Timings will be confirmed closer to the event.

Competitors may enter their preferred event distance however may only enter one distance per event. All event distances are dependent on conditions and may be further modified as required, based on final Entries.

Events and age groups may be combined to ensure viable events based on number of entries per event/age group.

Event	Distances	Age Groups
Beach Flags	15m 15m 15m 15m	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)
Beach Sprint	70m 70m or 90m 70m or 90m 70m	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)
Beach Run	500m or 1km 500m or 1km 500m or 1km 500m or 1km	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)
Wade Race	Approx. 50m	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)
Surf Race	200-400m	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)
Board Race	500-750m	Youth (13-14 years) Under 17 (15-16 years) Open (17+ years) Masters (30+ years)

Note: Athletes with disability may additionally or alternatively enter any other standard (non-Adaptive) event if they hold the required awards and meet required proficiencies.

All Adaptive Surf Sport Competitors must submit entries via the SLSA Sports Event Management System (SEMS).

All competitors must be a current financial member of a Surf Life Saving Australia affiliated surf club.
There are no patrol hours requirements for Adaptive Surf Sport Competitors.
All competitors must additionally meet the event eligibility requirements below.

BEACH SPRINT/RUN/FLAGS ELIGIBILITY

There are no prerequisite requirements to enter these events however the competitor must be capable of completing the required skills/distance with or without their handler's assistance.

SURF SWIM/WADE/BOARD ELIGIBILITY

Competitors who hold a proficient Surf Rescue Certificate or proficient Bronze Medallion may enter surf events.

Competitors who do not hold a proficient Surf Rescue Certificate or proficient Bronze Medallion may enter surf events however must have a mandatory water safety handler (minimum 1:1 ratio) and must be capable of completing the required skills/distance with or without handler assistance.

CATEGORISATION

Categorisation is the process of grouping competitors based on their diagnosed health condition and impact of impairment on sport participation. It is designed to ensure fair and meaningful competition for athletes with a disability.

In 2024 competitors will be grouped into a single "Open category" for all Adaptive events. Additional categories may be introduced in subsequent years as participation grows.

To be eligible for the Open category the competitor must have a permanent health condition or impairment which causes activity limitation or participation restriction. Including, but not limited to:

- Intellectual impairment
- Autism
- Down syndrome
- Hearing loss/Deafness
- Vision loss/Blindness
- Muscle power impairment (e.g. spinal cord injury, muscular dystrophy, post-polio syndrome and spina bifida.)
- Passive range of movement impairment (e.g. arthrogyposis and contracture resulting from chronic joint immobilisation or trauma affecting a joint)
- Limb deficiency/Loss (e.g. amputation, congenital limb deficiency)
- Short stature (e.g. achondroplasia, growth hormone dysfunction, and osteogenesis imperfecta)
- Hypertonia, Ataxia, Athetosis (e.g. cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, stroke, multiple sclerosis)
- Transplant recipient (e.g. organ, blood or stem cell transplant)

In this first year SLSQ seek to make the process of Categorisation eligibility as simple as possible and as such athletes will be required to submit the below evidence.

- Diagnosis or medical condition details
- Related impairment type details
- Individual accessibility needs
- Individual support needs
- Other sport specific classification details

Collecting this information will assist SLSQ to:

- Identify individual accessibility and support needs for implementation during competition.

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- Identify specific event modifications that may need to be implemented during competition.
- Further refine and develop formal categorisation for future years.

HANDLERS

Any competitor may optionally employ one or more handlers to provide reasonable and necessary assistance during any event.

A handler is mandatory for all competitors entered into surf events who do not hold a proficient Surf Rescue Certificate or proficient Bronze Medallion.

A handler must be a current financial and active SLSA member and hold a proficient Surf Rescue Certificate or proficient Bronze Medallion.

ACCESSIBILITY AND OTHER SUPPORTS

MOBILITY AIDS

SLSQ will work to ensure competition areas are as accessible as possible and will work to accommodate individuals who use mobility aids. A dedicated mobility aid storage area will be provided in close proximity to the Adaptive event arena. In addition SLSQ will provide on beach transport options should they be required (e.g. beach wheelchair, ATV). Competitors with specific needs related to mobility aids and venue access, please detail this in your eligibility application form.

ASSISTANCE ANIMALS

Assistance animals are welcome in all areas of the event and SLSQ will work to accommodate individuals who are accompanied by an assistance animal. Competitors with specific needs related to assistance animals please detail this in your eligibility application.

CARERS/SUPPORT WORKERS

All competitors are encouraged to engage their own carer/support worker to provide additional individual assistance during competition, if required.

IRB CAN LAYING COURSE

SLSQ will be hosting an 'IRB Can Laying Course' for interested participants on Friday the 25th of October (whilst Pool Rescue events are being conducted at the Mackay ARC).

If you have any interested members please get them to complete the below link to nominate for the course. Timings will be advised in the Final Bulletin.

IRB CAN LAYING COURSE [NOMINATION FORM](#)



AGE GROUP RESTRICTIONS

As per SLSA Rules & Regulations, Under 15 competitors are NOT permitted to compete 'up' in ANY other age group.

As per directives from the NAC Competition Committee Under 14 competitors are NOT permitted to compete 'up' in Under 15 INDIVIDUAL events at the 2024 NAC. However, Under 14 competitors with a current and proficient Surf Rescue Certificate are permitted to compete 'up' in Under 15 TEAM events.

Should an Under 14 competitor compete 'up' in an Under 15 OCEAN Team event, they will be required to wear their Marine Stinger Protective Clothing!

POOL RESCUE COMPETITION

Pool Rescue Events will be conducted on Friday 25th October from 11am to 7.00pm (Pool Booking – 10.30am to 7.30pm) at the Mackay Aquatics Recreation Centre, 193 Boundary Road, Oralea.

CLARIFICATION – The NAC Competition Committee does NOT allow Under 14 competitors to compete up in Under 15 INDIVIDUAL events. Also, SLSA does NOT allow Under 15 competitors to compete up in any other age group for INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM events. However, the NAC Competition Committee will permit Under 15/Under 17 Combined relays in the Pool Rescue Competition ONLY.

Please refer to Item 9 for a list of Pool Rescue events.

NOMINATIONS for the Pool Rescue Competition are to be completed via SEMS.

Pool Rescue Nominations will also close at midnight on Sunday 13th October, 2024.

All Clubs competing in the NAC Pool Rescue Competition will be required to provide a MINIMUM of one (1) TIMEKEEPER for the duration of the competition – this quota will be based on your total number of competitors entered for each session as follows:

- 1 to 15 competitors entered = 1 Timekeeper to be supplied
- 15+ competitors entered = 2 Timekeepers to be supplied

NB: Officials are not to be allocated as Timekeepers, please ensure that you have met both the Official and Timekeeper requirements for this event.

NAC Pool Rescue Competition Notes:

- The 100m Patient Tow with Rescue Tube & Fins Event is a TEAM EVENT and as such two (2) members MUST be nominated per team AND these members can only compete ONCE in each age in which they are competing.
- Under 11 to Under 13 competitors are only permitted to wear 'rubber' type fins that meet SLSA specifications.
- Under 14 to Masters competitors are permitted to wear any fins that meet SLSA/ILS specifications.
- Clubs/Competitors MUST supply their own Rescue Tubes for the Patient Tow, Manikin Tow & Medley Relay events.

- Competitors in Manikin Tow events MUST have a handler that is wearing a Club Competition Cap or Swim Cap.
- Swimwear worn by competitors (pool and ocean) at the NAC MUST be approved competition dress as detailed in Section 2.5 'Dress of Competitors' in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual.
- All competitors from the same Club should be wearing the same Competition Cap or Swim Cap.

SURF BOAT COMPETITION

The North Australian Championships' Surf Boat events will be conducted on Saturday afternoon 26th October 2024 in the Open Men, Open Women, Under 23 Men, Under 23 Women, Under 19, Reserve Grade and Masters (120 Years Minimum) categories.

Please refer to Item 9 for a list of Surf Boat events.

BEACH RUNS

The 1km and 2km Beach Runs will be conducted on Sunday morning 27th October 2024, from 7.00am (TBC).

QUEENSLAND COUNTRY JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE TEAM

A Queensland Country representative team will be selected based on performances and results from the 2024 North Australian Championships, and any other applicable events. The team will be made up of U13, U14, U15 and U17 competitors (male and female) – with 6 male and 6 female competitors per age group.

A selection panel of four (4) people – including one (1) selector from each Branch, plus an independent Chairman – will be on hand at the Championships to select the Queensland Country Team. The Team will be announced at the conclusion of the Championships on Sunday 28th October, 2024.

Interested members are NOT required to nominate for selection in the Queensland Country Team – all U13, U14, U15 and U17 competitors at the Championships will be considered for selection.

VOLUNTEER (OFFICIAL/WATER SAFETY/IRB) REQUIREMENTS

In order to conduct the NAC successfully and to ensure the safety of all competitors, a MINIMUM of ten (10) operational IRB's are required for use over the duration of the Championships.

Clubs are therefore requested to consider supplying at least one (1) operational IRB – including motor – for use during the Championships. Any Club that supplies a fully operational and equipped IRB and motor for use during the entire Carnival will be awarded 50 points towards the Champion Club Overall Pointscore (can only be used for 1 boat).

If your Club is able to assist, could you please complete the attached form and return to the Event Manager **by no later than Friday the 4th of October, 2024.**

All IRB's are to be delivered to the Carnival on Friday the 25th of October (by no later than 5.00pm), where they are to be inspected by the IRB Coordinator and a checklist completed and signed-off by both parties. The same process will be adhered to at the completion of the Carnival on Sunday the 27th October, when the vessels will be available to be collected by the respective Clubs.

Should the vessels be damaged during the course of the Carnival, Surf Life Saving Queensland will consider providing compensation to the Club/s involved after all quotations and repairs are verified.

PLEASE NOTE: IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT IRB's, DRIVERS & CREW SUPPLIED BY CLUBS, THE NAC COMPETITION COMMITTEE MAY IMPOSE A RESTRICTION ON CLUB NOMINATIONS OR ENFORCE MANDATORY SUPPLY BY CLUBS ACCORDING TO NUMBERS OF NOMINATIONS (i.e. The top 10 Clubs based on nominations may be forced to supply an IRB and Crew). NO POINTS WILL BE AWARDED IF THIS IS THE CASE.

ALL Clubs that have competitors in the U11 to U14 age groups MUST supply one (1) Water Safety Officer – with approved Water Safety Uniform – per every ten (10) competitors (i.e. 1 to 10 competitors = 1 water safety officer; 11 to 20 competitors = 2 water safety officers; etc.). This quota will be determined based on entries per Club once nominations have closed and will be enforced throughout the duration of the Championships under the direction of the Carnival Referee and the Water Safety Coordinator.

All Official, Water Safety Personnel and IRB Duty Boat Crews MUST adhere to the SLSQ Screening Policy and possess a valid 'Working with Children Suitability Card'.

DRAFT TIMETABLE

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to change. **Please ensure that you read the Final Carnival Circular AND attend all Team Manager Meetings/Briefings to check for alterations/changes.**

The Program of Events will go out with the Final Circular.

Pool Rescue Competition (Mackay Aquatic Recreation Centre)

Friday 25 th October, 2024	-	Warm-Up:	10.30am
	-	Marshalling:	10.45am
	-	Start:	11.00am

North Australian Championships (Harbour Beach, Mackay)

Saturday 26th October, 2024

March Past	-	Marshalling:	7.00am
	-	Start:	7.15am
Carnival	-	Marshalling	7.30am
	-	Start:	8.00am
Surf Boat	-	Marshalling:	12.30pm
	-	Start:	1.00pm
Lifesaver Relay	-	Marshalling	TBA (afternoon)
	-	Start	TBA (afternoon)

Sunday 27th October 2024

1km/2km Beach Runs	-	Marshalling:	6.45am
	-	Start:	7.00am
-	-		
All Age Relay	-	Start:	7.45am
Other Events	-	Marshalling:	8.00am
	-	Start:	8.30am

DRESS OF COMPETITORS

In all events, competitors must wear approved competition dress as detailed in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual and any other subsequent Bulletins or Circulars. To promote competitor safety and assist with competitor identification, competitors and handlers entering the water beyond knee depth are required to wear approved hi vis as their top layer of clothing. Refusal to comply renders the clothing, competition apparel or equipment ineligible for the competition and the competitor and/or team would be ineligible for further participation in the event.

High Visibility Lycra Vests

As per SLSQ High Visibility Clothing Policy, ALL competitors competing in ocean events at the 2024 North Australian Championships will be required to wear a High Visibility Lycra Vest that is Fluro Pink in colour.

Clubs and competitors are also reminded that these Lycra Vests MUST meet the requirements of the 'SLSA Competition Sponsorship Policy 5.8' and be approved by the NAC Competition Committee should there be concerns regarding conflicting sponsorships or other details.

Marine Stinger Protective Clothing

In abiding by the information and guidelines contained within the latest SLSQ Marine Stinger Risk Management Guidelines (LS26 – approved 26.10.2022), the following rules and regulations have been put in place for the 2024 North Australian Championships:

- It will be COMPULSORY for all U11, U12, U13 and U14 competitors to wear appropriate and approved Marine Stinger PPE during ALL water (OCEAN) events throughout the duration of the Championships.
- At this stage, according to the Guidelines/Policy, U15, U17, U19, Open and Masters Competitors will NOT be required to wear appropriate and approved Marine Stinger PPE UNLESS weather conditions, sting treatments, stinger captures, risk assessments or the NAC Carnival Referee and/or Carnival Safety Officer and/or Competition Committee dictate otherwise.

ALL U15, U17, U19, Open and Masters Competitors are strongly advised to bring appropriate and approved Marine Stinger PPE with them to the Championships as the Carnival Referee may at any time during the Championships enforce the wearing of such Protective Clothing by ALL or ANY competitors in ALL water events.

Beach Events

A compulsory long sleeve garment must be worn by U11 – U14 competitors in the beach events (Sprints, Flags and Relays).

EVENT MEDALS, TROPHIES & POINTSCORE

Points and Medal Allocations

The following rules will apply to the 2024 NAC with respect to point's allocation in all 'finals' event:

1 st Place	-	6 points
2 nd Place	-	5 points
3 rd Place	-	4 points
4 th Place	-	3 points
5 th Place	-	2 points
6 th Place	-	1 point

For the 2024 NAC, medals will be awarded for all U11-U15 events. In addition, the following trophies/prizes will be awarded:

- Male and Female Age Champions, which will be presented for the WINNER of each age category with points accrued for all individual events, as per the following:
 - Age Champion TROPHIES – OVERALL – Male & Female (Trophies)
- Team Events Pointscore Winners
 - Junior Team Events Pointscore Winners TROPHY (U11 to U14 Team Events)
 - Senior Team Events Pointscore Winners TROPHY (U15 to Open Team Events)
 - Masters Team Events Pointscore Winners TROPHY

Trophies and Prizes

The main presentation ceremony will be held at the conclusion of the Championships on Sunday 26th October, 2024, with the following trophies and prizes announced:

- Age Champions – Overall
- Senior Pointscore
- Junior Pointscore
- Masters Pointscore
- Overall Pointscore
- Overall Handicapped Pointscore
- Queensland Country Team representatives

Another presentation ceremony will occur on Saturday afternoon 26th October, 2024 whereby presentations will be made to those Officials that have achieved their 10, 20, 25, or 30-Years' Service Plaques, as well as the following TROPHY presentations:

- Surf Boat Competition Pointscore
- Pool Rescue Competition Pointscore

OFFICIALS

Expression of Interest is called for those Officials wanting to officiate at the 2024 North Australian Surf Life Saving Championships. (refer to 2024 North Australian Championships – Official Nominations)

If you would like to nominate please click on the link below:

[Officials Nominations - CLICK HERE](#) – Nominations must be received by COB Friday 20nd September 2024. Any nominations received after this date will not receive an event polo.

As per the Water Safety guidelines, if insufficient numbers of Carnival Officials are received for the NAC, the NAC Competition Committee may need to restrict competitors from Clubs that do not supply adequate numbers of Carnival Officials. In the view of the NAC Competition Committee, an 'adequate' number would be one (1) Carnival Official for every ten (10) competitors from each Club.

For any queries or enquiries about Officials' Appointments, please contact the Sport Team – kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au

OFFICIALS BRIEFING TIMES – DRAFT ONLY

These times are subject to change. Please ensure that you read the Final Carnival Circular AND attend all Team Managers Meetings/Briefings to check for alterations or changes.

Friday 25th October 2024

3.00pm - All IRB Duty Boat Personnel

(The venue for the above briefings will be in front of the Mackay SLSC Clubhouse)

10.00am - Pool Rescue Competition Officials

10.30am - Pool Rescue Competition Team Managers

2.30pm - Championships Referee, Area Referees and Sectional Referees Briefing

4.00pm - Championships Team Managers Meeting

(The venue for the above briefings will be the Mackay Aquatic Recreation Centre – 193 Boundary Road, Ooralea)

Saturday 26^h October 2024

6.00am - All IRB Duty Boat personnel

7.00am - Championships Officials

7.30am - First Aid Personnel

(The venue for the above briefings will be in front of the Mackay SLSC Clubhouse)

Sunday 27th October 2024

6.00am - All IRB Duty Boat personnel

6.15am - 2km Beach Run Officials

6.30am - First Aid Personnel

6.30am - 2km Beach Run Marshalling

7.00am - Championships Officials

(The venue for the above briefings will be in front of the Mackay SLSC Clubhouse)

TEAM MANAGERS

Each club must have a Team Manager complete the online [TEAM MANAGER DECLARATION LINK](#) before their club is eligible to compete at this event.

Team Managers must ensure they complete the above online Team Managers Declaration for this event before Sunday 13th October, 2024. If your Club has more than one Team Manager, please have them complete the online declaration and specify what area/age group they will be managing.

Team Managers, Age Managers and Chaperones MUST adhere to the SLSQ Screening Policy and possess a valid 'Working with Children Suitability Card'.

PLEASE NOTE – the Championships Team Managers Meeting/Briefing will be held on Friday afternoon 25th October, commencing at 4.00pm, at the Mackay Aquatics & Recreation Complex – Ooralea.

It is COMPULSORY that ALL Club Team Managers attend the Team Managers/Briefings as outlined above.

PLEASE NOTE:

Late entries or amendments to entries for the Pool Rescue Competition Events will NOT be accepted after the briefing at 10.30am on Friday morning.

Late entries or amendments to entries for ALL other events at the North Australian Championships will NOT be accepted after 9am on Saturday morning.

It is the Team Managers responsibility to ensure the changes to the Club's competing teams have been registered with the appropriate officials, and that all their competitors are correctly entered in the event.

It is compulsory for all Team Managers (in their official roles) to wear clearly identifiable apparel that highlights their club name and the wording 'Team Manager' or 'Assistant Team Manager' OR they are to be otherwise suitable identified (i.e. badge, identification card etc.). Sectional Referees will NOT discuss any matter with a person or persons who do not possess such identification.

FIRST AID PERSONNEL

First Aid Personnel are to meet at the Mackay SLSC First Aid Room at 6.30am on Saturday and Sunday.

SCRUITNEERING

Random scrutineering and safety checks will take place throughout the duration of the Championships. Of particular interest will be the condition of boards – particularly the condition of fins.

MEDIA & PHOTOGRAPHY

Drones:

For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators SLSQ prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at this event by members and/or public unless approved by SLSQ, 7 days prior to the event. The operator must supply an operations manual (including risk management plan), provide a copy of public liability insurance and comply with all Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requirements. SLSQ may utilise the use of our own drones to conduct aerial surveillance and monitor hazards.

Photography:

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event used for promotional material by SLSQ.

For the 2024 North Australian Championships each Club will be permitted two (2) accredited Club photographers per Club – one (1) Senior and one (1) Junior – that will be granted limited access within the competition arena (unless stipulated otherwise by the Carnival Referee) to take photographs of their Club competitors.

These Club Photographers **MUST** be accredited with an official 2024-2025 SLSQ Club Photographer Pass. Photographers within the carnival area must have a visible photographer's pass as well as their BlueCard.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors and officials is of paramount importance and athletes or their parent/guardian in the case of underage competitors should seek advice prior to the competition from a qualified professional for any health concerns if required.

Any competitor or official who suffers illness or injury prior to or at the event must seek a medical clearance before resuming their normal activities which includes training and competition.

In addition, SLSQ may, at its sole discretion, require a competitor and/or official to be assessed for physical and/or psychological fitness to participate in the competition. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of the athlete concerned and fellow competitors while also ensuring all parties and SLSQ are not placed at risk.

SLSQ will be supplying adequate shade tents at all marshalling areas for officials and competitors throughout the event. It is highly recommended that all athletes ensure they carry with them adequate apparel to assist with reduction of sunburn, along with recommended use of sunscreen throughout the day.

Water barrels will be available under the marshalling tents for officials, team managers and competitor use. These barrels are in place for all persons to use and fill up their own water bottles. Please note, no drinking cups will be supplied.

ANTI-DOPING & MATCH FIXING

SLSQ affiliated with SLSA supports the Australian Government, the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Committee, and the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) in their efforts to eradicate the use of drugs in sport.

It is strongly recommended that all Coaches and Team Managers complete the ASADA Level 1 Course as well as the Australian Governments Matching Fixing Course. Both of these courses are free of charge and provide an opportunity to develop a knowledge and understanding of anti-doping and match fixing in sport.

These courses can be accessed at: <https://elearning.sportintegrity.gov.au/>

BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

Any misconduct while at the event will not be tolerated. This includes the days leading into the competition and any official social activities following the conclusion of the event. Offending members risk disciplinary action against both themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to the Surf Sports Manual sections *2.27 SLSA Code of Behavior* and *2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behavior* and the Policy *6.5 Member Protection Policy* (available online at the Members Portal).

PROTESTS

All protests shall be lodged with the appropriate Liaison Officer in accordance with procedures set down in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent bulletins, and shall identify the specific sections/clauses in the Competition Manual and or event rules upon which the protest is based.

Protest Forms are available from the Liaison Officer. An 'Appeals Fee' of \$110 must accompany all documentation when the process is officially submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication.

CANCELLATION POLICY

The following Cancellation Fee and Refund Policy will be adhered to:

- If the carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 75% of all entry fees will be refunded to all Clubs (25% retained for administration costs)
- If the carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted, no refund will be given
- If the carnival is postponed and re-scheduled to another date, a 75% refund will be issued to competing Clubs that cannot compete at the re-scheduled event

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the Sport Team at:

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2024 NORTH AUSTRALIAN SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Additional Special Notice to all Club Secretaries and Touring Team Managers

Whilst the news media has been quick to publicly expose acts of unacceptable behaviour by various sporting groups traveling away from their Clubs, legal action by victims of sexual discrimination and harassment has also been threatened. Under the circumstances, it is hoped that Team Managers will accept the following recommendations in the right vein and ensure that the rights of members and the good name of Surf Life Saving Queensland and its traditions are upheld at all times. It is realized that "mixed teams" are common-place these days and that members tend to "let their hair down" after the Championships. However, this should be done within the bounds of good behaviour and not at the expense of the enjoyment and respect of others. Each Club is requested to ensure that the following actions and conditions are implemented.

1. Before Departure

- a) Each group of two or more Club members traveling to the North Australian Championships shall have a Team Manager duly appointed by the Club by resolution or action.
- b) That Team Managers shall be responsible to the Club and to Surf Life Saving Queensland for the conduct of all of their team members in traveling to, during and returning home from the North Australian Championships.
- c) Any group of two or more members who depart the main body of the team for the purposes of travel or for any other reason, shall have a "sub-manager" appointed by the Team Manager for the duration of their departure.
- d) Team Managers shall at all times exercise control over their teams and ensure their conduct and appearance does not have an adverse bearing upon the good name of their Club or Surf Life Saving Queensland
- e) Members who wish to depart the main body and remain in an area or proceed with independent travel arrangements, at the conclusion of the carnival, should give sufficient prior notice to their Club and secure the Club and Team Manager's permission. Clubs are urged to have a policy attitude towards such breaking up of teams at the conclusion of the carnival. In the case of members under the age of 18 years, Clubs should secure a clear indication of approval of such actions from parents or guardians.

2. Travel

- a) Special care should be taken at high density congregation points especially air terminals and during flight trips. Airlines have received instructions regarding the permissible conduct of groups as laid down by the Australian Government Department of Transport. Extract of such instruction states:
"Air Navigation Orders" state in part
247 (1) A person shall not, while in a state of intoxication, enter any aircraft; and
312 (2) A person shall not while in the aircraft
 - i) interfere with a crew member;
 - ii) behave in a disorderly or offensive manner;
- iii) do any act that threatens the safety of the aircraft.
Note: A person who contravenes or fails to comply with these Regulations or who attempts to commit an offence against these Regulations is guilty of an offence.
- b) Before departing your accommodation point, the Team Manager and another senior member of the team should conduct an inspection of the rooms accompanied by the Hotel/Motel Manager. It should be confirmed that no complaints are being made, nor will be made (re the team's conduct or condition of the accommodation fixtures).

3. Sexual Harassment

It is difficult to make an exhaustive list of the forms that sexual harassment can take, however, the conduct must be sexual, unwelcome and uninvited. This includes: unwanted physical contact; verbal comments or abuse and/or offensive gestures and depending upon the circumstances, be considered unlawful. Allegations of sexual harassment can arouse strong emotions and if a claim is found to be true, serious consequences can follow.

- a) Team Managers should make it clear to all members that sexual harassment will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
- b) Complaints must be treated seriously and sympathetically
- c) Investigation of complaints must be strictly confidential and impartial
- d) Investigations should be made promptly after complaints are lodged
- e) All parties involved should be interviewed separately to obtain an accurate detail of the incident
- f) Where a complaint is substantiated, appropriate conciliatory or disciplinary action should be taken
- g) Following this decision, later checks should be made to ensure that the behaviour has stopped and the complainant is not be victimized as a result of the complaint.

4. General

- a) Clubs are requested to ensure that their Team Manager's report is speedily received after the Championships and any report of misconduct is appropriately and immediately dealt with.
- b) Extreme caution is suggested in the subject of exchanging of club's identified garments and, in fact, clubs are urged to instruct their members of a policy in this subject. Many incidents have been recorded of misconduct being attributed to a particular club whereas it has been other person wearing their garments.
- c) Please remember that the venue of the North Australian Championships are the traditional support bases of a great many local clubs and misconduct will certainly be noticed and jeopardise future activities of those clubs. You can readily imagine the situation applied in reverse.
- d) It should be noted that a Judiciary Committee will be formed and will be ready for an urgent meeting in the event of any complaint. Such Committee will have the power to also act at that time and shall have jurisdiction over any lifesaver attending the North Australian Championships.
- e) Clubs are urged to ensure that clear policies are in place in respect to touring with members under the age of 18 years and that appropriate arrangements are made with parents/guardians prior to departure and that appropriate supervision is in place at all times.

2024 NORTH AUSTRALIAN SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Supply of IRB's, IRB Drivers and IRB Crew

CLUB NAME:

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NUMBER OF FULLY EQUIPPED IRB'S TO BE SUPPLIED:

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(This includes fully equipped boat AND outboard motor to SLSA/SLSQ standard)

MAKE & MODEL OF IRB: (1)..... (2)

REGISTRATION NUMBER OF IRB: (1)..... (2)

MAKE & MODEL OF MOTOR: (1)..... (2)

CONTACT PERSON:

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CONTACT NUMBER: CONTACT EMAIL:

NAME OF PERSON DELIVERING IRB:

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CONTACT PHONE NUMBER (AT CARNIVAL):

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APPROXIMATE DELIVERY DAY & TIME:

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(All IRB's are to be delivered to the IRB Coordinator prior to 5.00pm on Thursday 27 October OR prior to 7.00am on Friday 28 October 2022 unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Event Manager)

NAME OF IRB DRIVER/S:

NAME OF IRB CREWPERSON/S:

(1)..... (1).....

(2)..... (2).....

CLUB ENDORSEMENT:

Name:

Position:

Signature:

Date:

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SPORT TEAM

EMAIL: kdegnian@lifesaving.com.au

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER 2024

