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| Title: | 2025 Sharkskin QLD IRB Championships – Official Nominations |
| Audience: | ALL SLSQ Clubs, All SLSQ Branches, Officials |
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INTRODUCTION

The 2025 Sharkskin QLD IRB Championships attracts competitors from all over the state, providing an opportunity to unite showcasing one of Queensland's most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

A high-octane event, inflatable rescue boat (IRB) racing has a large following in Queensland as competitors fight it out for surf rescue supremacy.

Aside from the thrills of the competition the event is a real reinforcement of lifesaving skills. The races are all about simulating rescue situations and testing the abilities of drivers and crew members as they're transferred to a competitive setting.

This year's event is at Coolangatta SLSC from 4th July to 6th July 2025.

This document outlines some key information relating to the 2025 Sharkskin QLD IRB Championships. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent bulletins which may supersede information provided in this circular.

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 this Bulletin will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlines in this Bulletin.

OFFICIAL NOMINATIONS

All nominating officials will be required to be current accredited SLSA officials and be the holder of a current BlueCard.

If an official would like to nominate for the event, please follow the below link:

2025 Sharkskin QLD IRB Championships - [Officials Nominations](#)

Nominations Close on Monday 23rd June 2025.

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DRAFT TIMETABLE

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to change. The Program of Events will go out with the Final Circular.

Friday 4th July

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| 11.30pm | Carnival Committee |
| 11.45pm | Scrutineering Officials |
| 12.00pm | Scrutineering |
| 1.00pm | IRB Duty Crews |
| 5.30pm- | Team Managers |

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th July

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| 6.00am | IRB Crews Report |
| 6.30am | Carnival Committee Meeting |
| 6.30am | Officials Breakfast & Sign on |
| 7.00am | All Officials Briefing |
| 7.15am | All Officials to help setup beach |
| 7.30am | Team Managers' Meeting |
| 7.45am | Marshalling for the first event |
| 8.00am | Competition Commences |

OFFICIALS DRESS

It is imperative that the appearance of competition officials/judges is of a high standard, therefore appointed officials are asked to give a high degree of attention to their quality of uniform.

It is preferred that all officials wear the generic white and blue officials' shirt.

VEHICLE PARKING

All officials are to read and obey the parking signs set up by the Gold Coast City Council and the Carnival Committee and any vehicles that are illegally parked that results in an infringement notice will be the responsibility of the vehicles owner, SLSQ will take no responsibility.

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.

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 them and their Clubs.

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



FURTHER INFORMATION

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