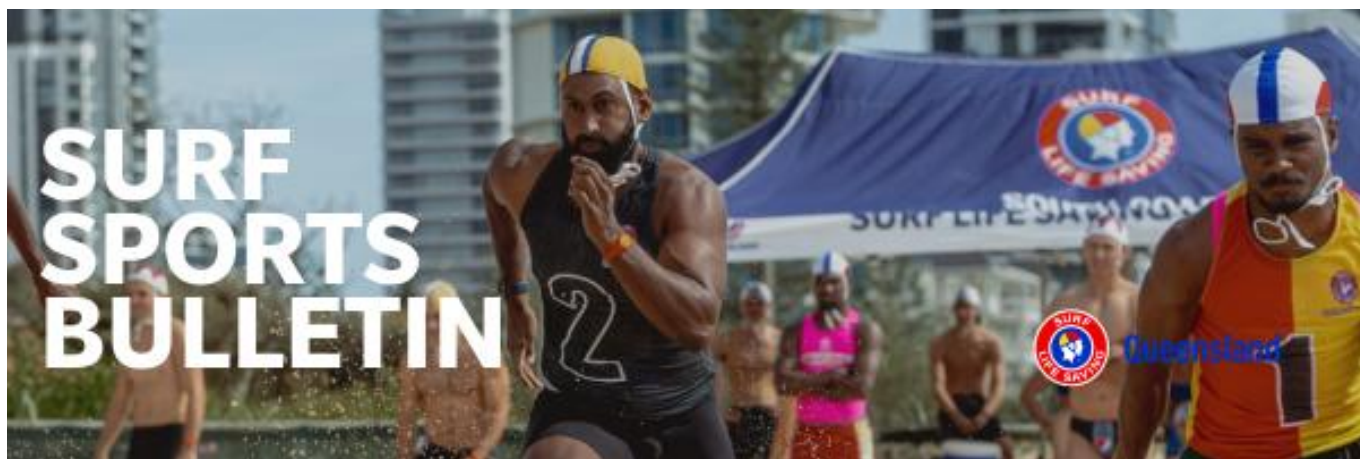




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Round 1 Qld Beach Stormers – Entry Bulletin

INTRODUCTION

The Beach Stormers is a Surf Sports Beach series run nationally, with disciplines including Distance Runs, Beach Sprints and Beach Flags. The series is made up of 15 events held across 5 States, with a finale event held in January 2027 at Manly Beach, NSW.

Round 1 of the Qld Beach Stormers series to be conducted in Queensland will be held on Saturday 3rd October at Burleigh Heads in conjunction with the World Ocean series event being conducted.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. With the event being held at the same location as the World Ocean Series the appointed Carnival Committee for that event will oversee the conduct of this event.

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

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

All Competitors wishing to compete in the QLD Beach Stormers must have the relevant SLSA Junior Activities Competition Evaluation for the Age Group they are eligible to compete in.

All entered athletes must have completed and signed the SLSA “Application for Membership Form” or their countries relevant document and paid any required membership fees as proof of their eligibility to race.

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NB: It is an offence to enter a person who does not meet any of the above requirements, and any irregularities will be considered by the Branch and/or State Surf Sports Committee.

U13 are permitted to enter U13 individual

U14 are permitted to enter Youth Individual

U15 are permitted to enter Youth Individual

U17 are permitted to enter U17 individual

Open are permitted to enter Open individual

Masters are permitted to enter their respective age group.

ENTRY REGISTRATIONS

Club entries to Rd 1 of Qld Beach Stormers are through Liveheats.

ENTRY FEES

The entry fee per competitor at the QLD Beach Stormers is \$25.00 per person (inc GST)

Entries close as below:

Round 1 – midnight Wednesday 30th September 2026

Late Entry fee is \$50 per person. Late entries apply after the close of entries.

No refunds will be offered after close of entries.

NOTE: It is the club's responsibility to ensure all members are entered into the appropriate events.

EVENT LIST

Competitors can only participate in one age category (based on their eligibility). The events held are as follows –

Under 13 Female Beach Sprint	Under 13 Male Beach Sprint
Under 13 Female Beach Flags	Under 13 Male Beach Flags
Youth Female Beach Sprint	Youth Male Beach Sprint
Youth Female Beach Flags	Youth Male Beach Flags
Under 17 Female Beach Sprint	Under 17 Male Beach Sprint
Under 17 Female Beach Flags	Under 17 Male Beach Flags
Open Female Beach Sprint	Open Male Beach Sprint
Open Female Beach Flags	Oen Male Beach Flags
30-39 Female Beach Sprint	30-39 Male Beach Sprint

30-39 Female Beach Flags	30-39 Male Beach Flags
40-49 Female Beach Sprint	40-49 Male Beach Sprint
40-49 Female Beach Flags	40-49 Male Beach Flags
50-59 Female Beach Sprint	50-59 Male Beach Sprint
50-59 Female Beach Flags	50-59 Male Beach Flags
60+ Female Beach Sprint	60+ Male Beach Sprint
60+ Female Beach Flags	60+ Male Beach Flags

The host Club will provide First Aid for each Round.

DRAFT TIMETABLE

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to chance.

7.30am:	Officials Breakfast
8.30am:	Officials Briefing
8.45am:	Team Managers Meeting
9.00am:	Marshalling for first event.
9.15am:	Competition Commences

The Officials Debrief will commence 20 minutes after packing up.

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. This includes their club competition cap whilst competing.

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.

SLSQ staff, the Event Referee, Area Referee and/or Sectional Referee reserve the right to order the removal or covering of signage, ID, or logos in conflict with any event sponsors and/or the SLSA Competition Sponsorship Policy.

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EVENT DETAILS

BEACH SPRINTS

Age Categories	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4 FINAL
U13	40m	50m	60m	70m
Masters (10-year age groups)	40m	50m	60m	70m
Youth (U14/U15s), U17s & Opens	50m	60m	70m	80m

The Beach Sprints are held in a Round Robin format which will be run over the following distances –

The Beach Sprints will be conducted as per the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual except for the following –

- Any starting breaks will result in a 2-metre handicap (as opposed to elimination)
- Competitors can only compete in a single age category
- Race distances will vary as per the table above

The rounds will be run in the following order, with all the age categories completing the respective round prior the start of the next round:

- Masters Females and Males
- U13 Females and Males
- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males

The Beach Sprints are run in a **Round Robin** format, with **3 Rounds** and a **Final**.

If the number of competitors exceeds the number of available race lanes, heats are drawn for each of the rounds. A distributed “random” draw” for each round will ensure each competitor is able to compete with as many of the total competitors as possible in the heats.

Competitors participate in just one (1) heat per round, regardless of the number of heats.

Each competitor accumulates Round Robin points in Rounds 1, 2, and 3 based on their position in each of these rounds and allocated as per the **Round Robin Points Table** below –

ROUND ROBIN POINTS	
PLACE	POINTS
1 st	25
2 nd	22
3 rd	19
4 th	16
5 th	13
6 th	10
7 th	7
8 th	5
9 th	3
10 th	1

These accumulated points are used to identify the competitors that qualify for a Final of eight (8).

If there are only sufficient competitors to make up a single heat per round, only Round 1, 2 and 3 will be run and no Final, and the accumulated Round Robin Points will determine the overall event placings, and subsequent Series Point Score as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

Competitors by default are drawn into all 3 rounds at the start of the event, but they do not have to take part in each round. They are required to be marked by the marshal as Did Not Start (DNS) for any round they do not compete in.

IMPORTANT: Competitors must marshal for Round 1 of the event, even if they decide not to run in Round 1, to ensure that they are added to the draws for each of the 3 Rounds. For any round that they decide to not take part in, they are marked as a Did Not Start (DNS) by the marshals.

Competitors in the Final are allocated Series Points for 1st to 8th based on their placings in the Final. The remaining competitors are allocated Series Points based on where they place overall in the event, using their accumulated Round Robin points down to 50th as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

BEACH FLAGS

For all Events, all Beach Flags heats and finals will be run over the following flag pit dimensions -

Age Categories	Pit Length
U13	15m
Masters (10-year age groups)	15m
Youth (U14/U15s)	20m
U17s & Opens	20m

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The Beach Flags will be conducted as per the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual except for the following –

- Any starting breaks will result in a 1 metre handicap (as opposed to elimination)
- Competitors can only compete in a single age category

If heats are required, all run down until a final of either 8 or 9 is reached.

The Beach Flags will be run in the following order –

- Masters Females and Males
- U13 Females and Males
- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males

POINTSORES

Series Points will be awarded for all placings down to 50th as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

Competitors are awarded Beach Stomers Series Points as per the following **Series Point Score Table** for positions 1 to 50 –

5,000 POINT SCORE TABLE	
PLACE	POINTS
1 st	5000
2 nd	4300
3 rd	3650
4 th	3350
5 th	3050
6 th	2915
7 th	2775
8 th	2640
9 th	2500
10 th	2440
11 th	2375
12 th	2310
13 th	2250
14 th	2190
15 th	2125
16 th	2065
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50 th	1345

VOLUNTEER (OFFICIALS/ FIRST AID) REQUIREMENTS

Clubs are reminded of the Officials Guidelines for the QLD Beach Stormers - Clubs are expected to provide one Official per ten Competitors.

All appointed officials will be required to be current accredited SLSA officials, be the holder of a current BlueCard and have the CYRMS and Child Awareness Courses up to date on Surfguard. If an official would like to nominate for the event, please follow the below link.

Officials Nominations – Round 1 QLD Beach Stormers – [LINK TO NOMINATE](#)

It is imperative that the appearance of competition officials 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.

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.

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's name and the wording 'Team Manager'. Anyone not displaying this ID will be asked to leave the competition area.

VEHICLE PARKING

All club, competitors and 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.

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 operation 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.

Photographers within the carnival area must have a visible photographer's pass as well as their BlueCard.

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HEALTH & WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors and officials is our 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, Sport Australia, the Australian Olympic Committee, and Sport Integrity Australia in their efforts to eradicate the use of drugs in sport.

It is strongly recommended that all Coaches and Team Managers complete the Sport Integrity Australia Level 1 Anti-Doping Course and 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. Link to the online platform below.

Sport Integrity Australia Level 1 Anti-Doping Course & Match Fixing Course

<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 them and their Clubs.

Please refer to the 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 Area).

FURTHER INFORMATION

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