

Bulletin

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Summary: A clarification has been made to the 35 th Edition Surf Sports Manual (SSM) relating to the presentation of surf helmets worn in competition. In addition, minor amendments have been made to Lifesaving Events and supporting event documentation has been introduced.

Background:

Following review and consultation with States and a broad cross section of event officials, coaches, and competitors, changes have been made to:

1. Rule 2.5.2(g): Following conclusion of the introduction period on 1 October 2015 all helmets worn in competition must be presented as per club competition colours/design.
2. Section 3 Lifesaving Events: Minor amendments to the IRB, Patrol Competition, Champion Lifesaver and First Aid rules. Supporting Event documentation has also been introduced.

All changes have been made to the electronic version of the 35th Edition SSM that is available for viewing and for download on the SLSA [Members Portal](#). The supporting Lifesaving Event documentation is also available on the SLSA website through the SLSA [Members Portal](#)

All SSM changes and event documentation come into effect from the date of this Bulletin.

Outline of changes:

Section 2

Section 2.5.2 (g) - Surf helmets worn in competition must display club competition cap colours or be covered in material in accordance with the club competition cap (i.e. a club coloured lycra cover over a helmet). If helmets are to be painted check with manufacturers for advice on retrospectively painting surf helmets

Section 3

Amendments to Lifesaving Events

Following recent changes to lifesaving protocols it has been necessary to make minor amendments to the Patrol Competition, Champion Lifesaver and First Aid rules contained in the 35th edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual (SSM).

A very limited number of clarifying amendments have also been made in the SSM to IRB events.

All amendments are highlighted in yellow in the amended Section 3 of the SSM located on the SSA website at:

<https://portal.sls.com.au/wps/portal/member/>

In addition a number of guide documents have also posted to the website to assist with setup and consistent scoring of Patrol Competition, Champion Lifesaver and First Aid events.

Further information

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