

# **Circular 3701**Updated 17 December 2021



# 2022 NSW Open Championships – Entry Circular

Attention: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Competition Officers, Team Managers, Coaches and

Competitors.

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	Outlines the requirements and procedures to enter the 2022 NSW Open
Summary:	Championships.
	<ul> <li>Friday 4 – Sunday 6 March 2022: U17 - Opens</li> </ul>
	☐ Complete and submit entries via SEMS by Thursday 20 January 2022 at
	11:00pm.
	☐ Online late entries close <b>Sunday 13 February 2022 at 11.00pm</b> (late fees
	apply).
Action:	NOTE: No late entries will be accepted after this date including at the
Action	Championships (excludes changes to team events)*
	☐ SLSNSW will issue invoices to all Clubs after online late entries close. Do not
	pay until the invoice is received.
	☐ Complete the <u>Team Manager Registration Form</u> by <b>Sunday 30 January 2022</b>
	at 11.00pm.
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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The 2022 NSW Open Championships attracts competitors from the Under 17s to Open age groups, providing opportunity for surf lifesavers to unite over a three-day period, showcasing one of Australia's most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

This year's event will be held on the stretch of beach between Queenscliff SLSC and North Steyne SLSC in Sydney Northern Beaches Council from Friday 4 – Sunday 5 March 2022. Freshwater SLSC will host the R&R and Lifesaving events.

This document outlines some key information relating to the 2022 NSW Open Championships. Please note that SLSNSW may issue subsequent bulletins, memos or circulars which may supersede information provided in this Circular.

Please note that in 2022 the Opens Championships excludes the Under 15 age group. This age group will compete at the Youth Championships on Saturday 26 – Sunday 27 February 2022.

### 2. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Reference is made to:

- The current 37<sup>th</sup> Edition Surf Sports Manual
- The proficiency competition requirements for 2021/22 Season:
  - o Memo: Changes to Award Dates Country and State Championships
  - SLSNSW Regulation 5.c. with respect to minimum patrol hours. (Note: these have been varied for season 21/22 due to the impact of COVID-19 Restrictions).

### 3. GENERAL CONTENT

Entries are to be completed online using the **Sports Events Management System (SEMS)**.

- Entries close on Thursday 20 January 2022 at 11:00pm.
- Online late entries close Sunday 13 February 2022 at 11.00pm (late fees apply).
- No late entries will be accepted after this date including at the Championships (excludes change to team events\*).
- SLSNSW will send invoices to all Clubs after online late entries close. Do not pay until the invoice is received.
- Clubs are reminded to complete the <u>Team Manager Declaration Form</u> by **Sunday 30 January 2022 at 11.00pm.** This Team Manager Declaration Form includes Clubs logging their team manager contact details. This is to ensure all event communications such as changes to timetables, re-locations etc. can be sent via SMS and Email. Details about the Team Managers meeting format will be available soon.
- Note: Clubs are reminded to check all entries prior to the close of late entries on Sunday 13
   February 2022 for any omissions and errors.
  - Note: SLSNSW will only respond to calls or emails from Team Managers/Club Registrars regarding entries. SLSNSW will be reverting all calls and emails from individual members back to clubs.

### 4. COVID-19

SLSNSW will run this event in accordance with NSW Government and NSW Health guidelines, which are subject to change.









SLSNSW reserves the right to alter event competitor eligibility & attendance and spectator & official attendance should any Public Health Orders in force during the event place limits on the number of attendees and/or the vaccination status of attendees.

### 5. 2022 NSW OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The 2022 NSW Open Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may (subject to the rules in the Surf Sports Manual [37<sup>th</sup> Edition] and event rules, any subsequent amending bulletins and this Circular) postpone, cancel and/or alter any or all Championship events, and alter the venue of the competition.

Competition Committee Chairperson	Darren Moore
SLSNSW Director of Surf Sports	Donald van Keimpema
Carnival Referee	Jenny Kenny
Local Organising Committee Representative	Craig Susans
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator (SEMC)	Joel Wiseman
SLSNSW Chief Operating Officer	Phil Ayres
SLSNSW Sport Manager	Jim Pinnington

#### 6. 2022 NSW OPEN SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The 2022 NSW Open Safety Emergency Committee (SEC) will direct all matters relating to the safety of the competition.

A review of the following will be conducted at each SEC meeting:

- a) Risk Assessment of the current conditions of the beach, environmental risks and back of beach area
- b) Injury management statistics
- c) Current weather predictions
- d) Competition statistics

The SEC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on local weather, surf conditions and safety issues when required. The SEC will then advise the CC.

The SEC is responsible for enacting the contingency plan for this event. The Safety Operations Manual developed for this event is to be applied by the Referee when considering and making recommendations, in consultation with relevant emergency services and lifesaving authorities.

Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator (Chair)	Joel Wiseman
Council Representative/Lifeguard	TBC
Assistant Safety and Emergency Management Coordinators	TBC
Deputy Carnival Referee	Peter Carney / Carlo Villanti
Powercraft Coordinator	Adrian Hill
First Aid Coordinator	Australian Event Safety Services
WHS Coordinator	TBC
SLSNSW Senior Competitions Coordinator	Jess Mensforth









### 7. VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

### 7.1 Officials

A quota system for clubs to provide Accredited Officials based upon the <u>number of competitors entered</u> (not the number actually competing) is in place for the 2022 NSW Open Championships. <u>March Past teams are included in this quota system</u>. Online late entries will be added to the total number of competitors entered to ensure that the club's obligation is satisfied.

### Note 1: the Sunday of the Open Championships does not count towards your official's quota.

The Officials quota is the same as 2021 and this replaces any previous versions of the Officials quota from previous years. Officials, as a minimum requirement, must have a current Junior Officiating or Core Official accreditation.

### **Open Championships Quota**

Competitors Entered	Officials Required
0 to 4	_
5 to 10	1 Official
11 to 20	2 Officials
21 to 30	3 Officials
31 to 40	4 Officials
41 to 50	5 Officials
51 to 70	6 Officials
71 to 90	7 Officials
91 to 120	8 Officials
121 to 150	9 Officials
151+	10 Officials

Officials who want to share a role with someone else MUST communicate this to SLSNSW. Two officials sharing one role fulfils one official in the quota (the quota is based on attendance on the Friday AND Saturday ONLY).

If sufficient Officials are not provided according to the above quotas SLSNSW reserves the right to impose a monetary penalty or request the offending club to show cause why that club should be able to compete at the Championships.

Please be aware the quota system is based on the number of competitors entered into the event, not the number of competitors starting. Clubs are reminded <u>before</u> entering their competitors into the entry system that they MUST meet the officials' quota.

Officials undertaking duties to meet club's quotas, who have not already been appointed, will be requested to report to the Deputy Referee at Queenscliff SLSC by 7:00am each morning of competition. Procedure for this to be confirmed.

It is essential that clubs work with their officials to ensure that they (the Officials) understand the effect on the Championships if they do not communicate with SLSNSW regarding non-attendance or changes to the









Official's Appointments. Clubs should check that officials appointed are attending on the days that they are appointed for, as this could have a significant impact on whether athletes can compete or not.

### 7.2 Powercraft

To ensure the safety of all competitors competing in the 2022 NSW Open Championships, a Powercraft roster will be implemented. Clubs will be identified based on the average number of entries from the 2020, 2021 & 2022 Championships.

Powercraft Drivers/Operators and crewpersons must fulfil the following requirements.

- IRB Driver: Be a current financial SLS member and be a proficient Silver Medallion IRB Driver.
- IRB Crewperson: Be a current financial SLS member, be a proficient IRB Crew Certificate.
- **RWC Operator:** Be a current financial SLS member and hold a proficient RWC Operator Certificate.
- Both IRB and RWC: Be experienced in ALL levels of surf conditions and competent to deal in all surf
  conditions.

As the Powercraft requirements will be based on figures calculated after entries close for the 2022 event, the powercraft roster will not be available until after normal entries close on Thursday 20 January 2022.

Clubs will be required to nominate volunteer names and contact information for IRB Drivers and Crew personnel via the Powercraft Form which will be available by Friday 28 January. All IRB Drivers and Crew personnel must also bring with them their current SLSNSW Powercraft licence.

Clubs that fail to meet their requirements or to attend rostered shifts at the Championships may be suspended from competition until such a time that requirements are met and/or charged a fine.

Some Clubs may also be required to bring IRB equipment to the Championships. All IRBs supplied must be registered with SLSNSW, have passed the 2021/22 Gear and Equipment Inspection process and be entered on SurfGuard.

# 7.3 First Aid

All first aid will be provided by SLSNSW's Australian Event Safety Services (AESS). This means there is no requirement on clubs to supply any volunteers for these roles.

### 8. ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

All entrants must meet SLSNSW award, patrol and proficiency requirements as per the 2021/22 proficiency competition requirements and any other subsequent bulletins issued.

Reference is made to the following documents which apply to this event:

- SLSA Policy 1.02 Use of SLSA Equipment
- Memo: Changes to Award Dates Country and State Championships
- <u>SLSNSW Regulation 5.c.</u> with respect to minimum patrol hours. (Note: these have been varied for season 21/22 due to the impact of COVID-19 Restrictions).

Late proficiency exemptions are required to be endorsed by both Club and Branch (on letter head) before being received by SLSNSW. This can be sent to <a href="mailto:statechampionships@surflifesaving.com.au">statechampionships@surflifesaving.com.au</a> and will be forwarded to the State Director of Lifesaving for consideration. Any late proficiency exemptions should be received no later than **Sunday 13 February 2022.** 







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# 9. ENTRY FEES

The entry fee per competitor at the 2022 NSW State Open Championships is \$56.72 (incl. GST).

In previous years Clubs have been required to pay the Club's entry fees prior to the Championships via cheque or online banking.

This year SLSNSW will issue invoices to all Clubs after online late entries close. Clubs must not pay their entry fees prior to the Championships. Payment terms are as stated on the invoice.

Entry fees are not refundable if members do not take part in these Championships, or if events or the entire Championships are cancelled.

### **Late Entries:**

All online late entries received after the initial closing date will incur a late fee of \$96.42 *including* the original entry of \$56.72 (i.e. \$56.72 + \$39.70 = \$96.42) incl. GST).

No individual late entries will be taken at the Administration Centre – Queenscliff. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of SLSNSW e.g. a competitor must be a team member replacing another team member in a team already entered. It is suggested that Clubs still enter members if there is a chance that they will be competing and then withdraw their entry prior to the close of late entry.

### **Additional Events:**

When additional events are entered for competitors (individual and / or team) after normal entries have closed, a fee of \$20.30 per event / per competitor will be charged. Note: **The competitor must be already entered into the Carnival.** 

Additional individual event entries must be received no later than one hour before the start of the particular event at the Carnival Administration.

### **Team Substitutions:**

For team events a substitution form is required (Finals only) and is required to be handed into the Carnival Administration. No late fees will be charged for team event substitutions if the substitute is already entered into the carnival.

# 10. ENTRIES - SEMS

Club entries to the 2022 NSW Open Championships must be submitted online **DIRECTLY** into SEMS: <a href="https://sems.sls.com.au/">https://sems.sls.com.au/</a> - Event Name: 2022 NSW Open State Championships.

Online entries will close at 11pm on Thursday, 20 January 2022.

Online late entries will close at 11pm Sunday, 13 February 2022.

Please refer to the SEMS User Guide and SEMS Club Entry Webinar, before and during the entry process.

## 11. SCHEDULED EVENTS

The following events shall be conducted in their respective age group areas in accordance with the requirements of the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual and amending Bulletins and Circulars.

# 11.1 Lifesaving Events

Lifesaving events will be held at Freshwater SLSC and will be held on the following days:

U17 & Open Champion Patrol will be conducted on Sunday 27 February









- U17, U19 & Open Champion Lifesaver will be conducted on Thursday 3 March
- U17 First Aid Competition will be conducted on Saturday 5 March and U19 & Open First Aid will be held on Sunday 6 March.

For more information, please see the Lifesaving Championships Entry Circular.

#### 11.2 Surf Boat Events

Open Surf Boat Events will be conducted on Saturday 12 – Sunday 13 March 2022.

For more information, please see the Surf Boats Championships Entry Circular.

# 11.3 Lifesaver Relay

It is intended that the components of the lifesaver relay are to be run separately at their own Championships i.e. Water legs to be run during Open Championship and Boat leg to be run at Surf Boats, as in 2021. The Lifesaver Relay entry conditions are described in the 37th Edition of the Surf Sports Manual and age and gender requirements will be strictly adhered to.

### 11.4 R&R Events

R&R for the 2022 NSW Open Championships will be held at Freshwater SLSC on Saturday 26 February 2022. R&R events scheduled for this day are:

36	U17 2 Person R&R	34	U17 5 Person R&R
37	U19 2 Person R&R	33	U19 5 Person R&R
38	U23 5 Person R&R	12	Open Male 5 Person R&R
22	Open Female 5 Person R&R	32	Open Mixed 5 Person R&R
39	Open 2 Person R&R	31	Open 6 Person R&R

# 11.5 March Past

The March Past will be held at Queenscliff SLSC on Sunday 6 March, 2022.

383	Open March Past	384	Under 23 March Past
385	Under 17 March Past		









# 11.6 Scheduled Open Events

Surf Belt Events				
17	Open Male Belt Race		27	Open Female Belt Race
18	Under 19 Male Surf Belt Race		28	Under 19 Female Surf Belt Race
19	Under 17 Male Surf Belt Race		29	Under 17 Female Surf Belt Race

Swimming Events					
110	Open Male Surf Race		210	Open Female Surf Race	
111	Under 19 Male Surf Race		211	Under 19 Female Surf Race	
112	Under 17 Male Surf Race		212	Under 17 Female Surf Race	
116	Open Male Surf Teams		216	Open Female Surf Teams	
117	Under 19 Male Surf Teams		217	Under 19 Female Surf Teams	
118	Under 17 Male Surf Teams		218	Under 17 Female Surf Teams	

Multi-Discipline Events					
125	Open Ironman		225	Open Ironwoman	
126	Under 19 Ironman		226	Under 19 Ironwoman	
127	Under 17 Ironman		227	Under 17 Ironwoman	
130	Open Male Board Rescue		230	Open Female Board Rescue	
131	Under 19 Male Board Rescue		231	Under 19 Female Board Rescue	
132	Under 17 Male Board Rescue		232	Under 17 Female Board Rescue	
135	Open Male Rescue Tube Rescue (4		235	Open Female Rescue Tube Rescue (4	
133	person)			person)	
136	Under 19 Male Rescue Tube Rescue		236	Under 19 Female Rescue Tube Rescue	
130	(4 person)		230	(4 person)	
140	Open Male Taplin Relay (6 person)		240	Open Female Taplin Relay (3 person)	
	Open Mixed Taplin Relay (6 person)				
340	* new event – check manual for				
	team makeup				
141	Under 19 Male Taplin (3 person)		241	Under 19 Female Taplin (3 person)	
142	Under 17 Male Taplin (3 person)		242	Under 17 Female Taplin (3 person)	

Ski Events	Ski Events					
154	Open Male Single Ski		254	Open Female Single Ski		
155	Under 19 Male Single Ski		255	Under 19 Female Single Ski		
156	Under 17 Male Single Ski		256	Under 17 Female Single Ski		
157	Open Male Single Ski Relay		257	Open Female Single Ski Relay		
158	Under 19 Male Single Ski Relay		258	Under 19 Female Single Ski Relay		
159	Under 17 Male Single Ski Relay		259	Under 17 Female Single Ski Relay		
160	Open Male Double Ski		260	Open Female Double Ski		
360	Open Mixed Double Ski (1 Male & 1					
300	Female)					
161	Under 19 Male Double Ski		261	Under 19 Female Double Ski		

Board Events					
164	Open Male Board		264	Open Female Board	
165	Under 19 Male Board		265	Under 19 Female Board	
166	Under 17 Male Board		266	Under 17 Female Board	



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169	Open Male Board Relay
170	Under 19 Male Board Relay
171	Under 17 Male Board Relay

269	Open Female Board Relay
270	Under 19 Female Board Relay
271	Under 17 Female Board Relay

Beach Events				
186	Open Male Beach Sprint			
187	Under 19 Male Beach Sprint			
188	Under 17 Male Beach Sprint			
192	Open Male Beach Relay			
392	Open Mixed Beach Relay			
193	Under 19 Male Beach Relay			
393	Under 19 Mixed Beach Relay			
194	Under 17 Male Beach Relay			
394	Under 17 Mixed Beach Relay			
198	Open Male Beach Flags			
199	Under 19 Male Beach Flags			
1100	Under 17 Male Beach Flags			
1558	Open Male 2km Beach Run			
1559	Under 19 Male 2km Beach Run			
1560	Under 17 Male 2km Beach Run			
1563	Open 2x 1km Male Beach Run Relay			
1564	U17 2x 1km Male Beach Run Relay			
1567	U19 2x 1km Male Beach Run Relay			

286	Open Female Beach Sprint
287	Under 19 Female Beach Sprint
288	Under 17 Female Beach Sprint
292	Open Female Beach Relay
293	Under 19 Female Beach Relay
294	Under 17 Female Beach Relay
298	Open Female Beach Flags
299	Under 19 Female Beach Flags
2100	Under 17 Female Beach Flags
2558	Open Female 2km Beach Run
2559	Under 19 Female 2km Beach Run
2560	Under 17 Female 2km Beach Run
2563	Open 2x 1km Female Beach Run Relay
2564	U17 2x 1km Female Beach Run Relay
2567	U19 2x 1km Female Beach Run Relay

# 11.7 Restriction Of Events

- For the Open Championships, Clubs can only enter a maximum of five (5) teams per team event.
- The Lifesaver Relay is restricted to two (2) teams per metropolitan branch, and one (1) team per country branch. Qualification is via nominated Branch events. Excluding the Surf Boat sweep within each team there must be four female and four male competitors, and they **must** meet age group requirements as per the 37<sup>th</sup> Edition Surf Sports Manual (one U17 competitor and one U19 competitor). Entry to this event will not be available on the online entry system. **Note this is not included in SEMS. Entry information will be sent to branches directly.**
- Teams entered in 'mixed' events (event code No. prefix '3') may contain a specified number(s) of male and female competitors in each team.

# 11.8 Clashing of Events

While every effort will be made to avoid clashes in the timetable, athletes will have to decide to contest one or the other.

### 11.9 Special Circumstances

Any competitor wishing to obtain special circumstances approval **MUST** supply documentation regarding their disability by close of entry nominations. Documentation will not be accepted during the carnival. For more information, please see Section 2.4(c) and Section 2.2.1(e) of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual 37<sup>th</sup> Edition.

Please supply Surf Sports SLSNSW with the required information and documentation statechampionships@surflifesaving.com.au









#### 11.10 Handlers

Handlers will not be required to be entered into the SEMS system, however, they will need to pre-register with SLSNSW. More information on this process to follow. It is highly recommended that handlers are current financial members of a SLSNSW club. Those who handle for a competitor who are not financial members of a SLSNSW club will not be covered under the SLSNSW Insurance Policy. Handlers are required to wear a high visibility vest (or at the discretion of the referee; may wear a high visibility bib/jacket type garment).

### 12. GENERAL INFORMATION

# 12.1 Championship Point Score

A point score will be kept for the highest overall point score for the Opens Championship (1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>), and the highest overall Country Club point score.

# 12.2 Results

In the case of a dead heat for positions 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> each competitor will receive a respective medal and the following medal allocations will apply:

- Dead heat for 1st place: Two (2) Gold and One (1) Bronze will be awarded (no Silver will be awarded)
- One competitor in 1<sup>st</sup> place, dead heat for 2<sup>nd</sup> place: One (1) Gold and two (2) Silver will be awarded (no Bronze will be awarded)
- One competitor in 1<sup>st</sup> place, one competitor in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, dead heat for 3<sup>rd</sup> place
  - One (1) Gold, one (1) Silver and two (2) Bronze will be awarded
- Dead heat for 1<sup>st</sup> place and dead heat for 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Two (2) Gold and two (2) Bronze will be awarded (no Silver will be awarded)

# 13. SCRUTINEERING

Whilst it is encouraged that Members and clubs have their craft and equipment inspected regularly by an accredited scrutineer/s, all surf craft carrying manufacturers compliance decals and/or a SLSA endorsed sticker should guarantee the craft meets SLSA standards and therefore, does not require a Scrutineering Sticker.

Random scrutineering of craft and equipment will take place throughout the duration of the carnival. No craft or equipment is exempt from random scrutineering as deemed appropriate by scrutineers. Finalists may be required to have their craft scrutineered prior to racing in event finals. Scrutineering will be available for all members at no cost however members should expect to experience significant delays.

### 14. SPONSOR RASH VESTS

All competitors entered into the 2022 NSW State Championships will be issued an official high visibility pink competition lycra vest. It is a requirement for all competitors to wear the supplied Lycra vest in competition at the 2022 NSW State Championships. See SSM 2.5.1.

Clubs must ensure that competitors wear the approved lycra vest in competition, no other branded vests may be worn. Competitors may be requested to wear the approved lycra vest as part of medal presentations.

More information on rash vest distribution will be available soon.









# 15. MEDIA AND PHOTOGRAPHY

### 15.1 Drones

For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators, SLSNSW prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at these Championships by members and/or public. SLSNSW and its telecast production contractors will be operating UAVs for both surveillance and capturing of event footage.

# 15.2 Photography

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the Championships, which may be used for promotional material by SLSNSW.

SLSNSW will not be issuing media/photography accreditation to team members or Clubs. Professional photographers will be attending and material will be available via social media and to Clubs on request. Clubs are welcome to take photographs from outside the competition area.

Go Pros may only be used within the competition area on approved fittings and fixtures as set out in relevant SLSA bulletins.

### 15.3 Links for Results

https://surfsports.sls.com.au/results/events

### 15.4 Event Hashtag

The official hashtag for the event is #StateChamps22

### 15.5 Media Statements

No competitor, team manager, official or spokesperson for a club shall make media statements which could bring the State Championships, its sponsors, or officials into controversy or disrepute. Such statements will be a breach of policy and could potentially result in sanctions against members involved. Please note that statements to the media regarding the State Championships will be made by authorised spokespeople.

### 16. HEALTH & WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors 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 2022 State Championships **MUST** seek medical clearance before resuming their normal activities which includes training and competition.

In addition, SLSNSW 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 Surf Life Saving NSW are not placed at risk.

# 17. ANTI-DOPING & MATCH FIXING

It is strongly recommended that all Team Managers complete both the <u>Sport Integrity Australia</u> Level 1 Anti-Doping and Match Fixing e-learning courses. Both courses are free of charge and provide an opportunity to develop a knowledge and understanding of anti-doping and match fixing in sport. Moving forward, SLSNSW strongly believe this is a great addition to the structure of any touring team and/or squad and is vital for elite competition and athlete development.









SLSNSW fully supports the new SLSA Anti-Doping and Match Fixing policies (SLSA Members Area > Library > Governance > SLSA > Policy 5.1 1 & 5.02). Following the completion of each course, a completion certificate/email must be forwarded to Surf Sports <a href="mailto:surfsports@surflifesaving.com.au">surfsports@surflifesaving.com.au</a>. SLSNSW have organised with SLSA to have these courses uploaded on to SurfGuard as an award. Once completed, the courses do not have to be completed again, unless there is an update in information from the organisations. If anyone has previously completed either course, proof must be sent through to Surf Sports in order to be recognised.

For further information regarding the courses please contact Surf Sports, on (02) 9471 8000 or surfsports@surflifesaving.com.au

# 18. BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

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

Parents or supporters, particularly those appointed as Officials, are not allowed to assist competitors during the competition. Any breach of this policy may result in the disqualification of an athlete from the remainder of the competition and is at the discretion of the Referee.

Parents or supporters must also understand that they are role models for young athletes. Clubs should make sure that parents and supporters understand that abuse of officials, other competitors or clubs will not be tolerated. Team Managers and Club Presidents should ensure that their parents and supporters understand their role at this competition and that expected standards of behaviour are clearly explained.

Please refer to 37<sup>th</sup> Edition Surf Sports Manual sections 2.27 SLSA Code of Behaviour and 2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour and the Policy 6.05 – Member Protection Policy (available online at Members Area > Library > Governance > Policy > SLSA > Policy 6.05).

### 19. PROTESTS

All protests shall be lodged with the appropriate Liaison Officer in each Area in accordance with the procedures set down in the current edition of the SLSA 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 \$110.00 must accompany all documentation when the process is officially submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication.

# 20. TEAM APP

Important Information and updates will be communicated by TeamApp.

TeamApp will be used in the lead up to and throughout the Competition as a platform to communicate information, documentation and updates including timetable changes to Team Managers and Competitors.

It is highly recommended that everyone planning to attend any event download TeamApp when entries are submitted. If you cannot download the App onto a phone or tablet, you may also access TeamApp in a web browser on any computer.









To register for these event updates please follow the below instructions:

- 1. Download the "TeamApp" application from the App Store or Google Play.
- 2. Log in / Sign up to receive live event notifications.
- 3. Once logged in search "2022 NSW State Championships".
- 4. Click the "Become a member of this TeamApp" icon at the top of the screen then select the appropriate group you wish to receive notifications from.

By joining the event and <u>turning on your mobile app notifications</u>, you will receive notifications and email updates as they are posted, ensuring you never miss any important information.

PLEASE NOTE: It is an individual's/Club's obligation (SSM 2.17) to ensure they listen for announcements and marshalling. Not receiving a TeamApp update is not an excuse for missing events.

### 21. NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL

Northern Beaches Council is thrilled to welcome the NSW Surf Life Saving State Championships to Queenscliff in 2022.

The Northern Beaches offers an array of ocean beaches, coastal rock pools, a 36km coastal walkway, five aquatic reserves brimming with sea life, national surfing reserves at Manly-Freshwater and Narrabeen, and so much more.

With an unlimited list of things to see, do, eat, drink and buy, you're going to want to stay for a few days! Choose from 5-star hotels, holiday apartments, B&Bs or camping.

While you are here, enjoy delicious food and drinks and outdoor adventures. If you need a steer in the right direction, head to our online visitor information centre, Hello Manly at hellomanly.com.au











# 22. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY AND PAYMENT PROCESS

