



**Surf Life Saving Australia
Terms of Reference**

SPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

Authorised By:	Surf Life Saving Australia Board
Purpose:	To represent the views of Surf Life Saving members and provide advice on nationally significant matters relating to Lifesaving Sport.
Reports To:	Chair, Sport
Roles:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to the development, review of, and reporting against the SLS 2025 Visions and the SLSA Business Plan, particularly in those matters pertaining to lifesaving sport • Contribute to the review, development and maintenance of SLSA technical sport rules, sport programs, national events, policies which fall under the remit of sport • Provide insights and recommendations to the Chair, Sport relating to any current or future strategic interventions that may impact on lifesaving sport • Identify, discuss and develop solutions to any challenges or concerns arising from the volunteer membership related to lifesaving sport • Attend to matters referred by the Board, CEO, COOS or other committees
Authorities and Limitations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can make recommendations to the Chair, Sport for his consideration and advocacy to the SLSA president and the SLSA CEO on matter related to Lifesaving Sport • The Committee and its members must refer all SLSA matters for public comment to the SLSA CEO • Its deliberations and recommendations are confidential
Composition:	<p>The Committee shall be comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair, Sport • Seven (7) State appointed members who can be Directors of Sport or equivalent; • The current SLSA Surf Sports Athlete of the Year; • Six (6) independent skill-based (non-voting) members appointed by the Chair, Sport: • The SLSA Sport Manager or their nominee who shall act as a secretariat <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Sport Management Group (defined as the Sport Managers from each State and Territory) may attend meetings by prior consent of the Chair 2. Visitors and/or observers may attend meetings by prior consent of the Chair <p>In the absence of the Chair of Sport, the Chair shall appoint one of its members to act during such absence</p>
Skills	<p>The Six (6) skill based members appointed to the SAC will be appropriately qualified and have experience in one or more of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport Integrity • Surf Boat • Technical and Rules • Officials • Coaching • Event Risk Management and Safety
Responsibilities of SAC Representatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurately represent the prevailing views of their members fully and accurately to the best of their ability • To maintain commitment to the values of the Surf Life Saving movement through all deliberations • To judge each issue on its merit with particular reference of benefits to the movement and the public

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address matters only related to the Committee’s purpose and roles
Quorum:	The quorum for any SAC meeting shall be at least five (5) members entitled to vote, consisting of representatives from at least four (4) different States.
Meeting Schedule:	At least two times per year or as directed by the SLSA CEO or President.
Provision of Recommendations:	All listed members excluding the chairperson and SLSA staff, shall be entitled to contribute to any recommendation at all meetings of the SAC at which they are present in person, or by proxy. The chairperson shall have the right to determine the final recommendation where a consensus cannot be reached.