

Circular 3742

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2023 NSW Surf Interstate Team - Athlete Nominations

Attention: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Competition Officers, Branch Officers and Coaches

Actioned by: Athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2023 NSW Surf Interstate Team.

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Summary	SLSNSW is calling for from athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2023 NSW Surf Interstate Team.
Action	Please complete the Online Nomination Form by 11pm Wednesday 9 November 2022 .

SLSNSW is calling for nominations from athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2023 NSW Surf Interstate Team to compete at the SLSA Surf Interstate Championships to be held at Maroubra SLSC on Monday 16 January 2023.

Please see [SLSA Circular 26/22-23: Interstate Entry Circular](#) for more information.

Team Composition

The 2023 SLSA Australian Interstate Championships will hold Open, Youth and Pathway divisions of competition with a total team size of 36 athletes:

- Each **Open** Team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitors. To be eligible for an Open State team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before midnight 30 September 2022 (i.e. Under 17 age group) and hold a proficient SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety. Each Open State team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitive members from either the U17, U19 or Open age categories. (a total of 10 team members).
- Each **Youth** Team will consist of 5 male and 5 female competitors. To be eligible for a Youth State team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before the 30 September 2022 (i.e. Under 17 age group and hold a proficient SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety) Each Youth State team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitive members from the U17 age category **only** (a total of 10 team members).

- Each **Pathway** Team will consist of 8 male and 8 female competitors. To be eligible for a Pathway State team a member must be a minimum age of 13 years as at 30 September 2022 (i.e. Under 14 age group and hold a proficient SRC or SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety) or a minimum age of 14 years as at 30 September 2022 (i.e. Under 15 age group and hold a proficient SRC or SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety). Each Pathway State team will consist of a maximum of 8 male and 8 female competitive members from the U14 and U15 age categories only. Each Team must have a minimum of 4 x U14 Males and 4 x U14 Females.
- Competitors must compete for the whole of the Championships in either the Open or Youth or Pathway Competition. They are **not permitted to compete outside of their chosen division**.

Levy

A levy may be payable for all successful team members to assist with the cost of the team (i.e. uniform, food, transport, etc.). Clubs will be invoiced for this team levy and it will then be up to the club to pass on this expense onto the individual athlete.

How to Nominate

- All nominating members are asked to familiarise themselves with the [SLSNSW Selection Policy](#) and the SLSNSW Athlete & Management Agreement. All athletes will be required to comply with the guidelines and expectations set out in these documents.
- Complete the [Online Nomination Form](#) by **11pm Wednesday 9 November 2022**
- It is anticipated that all candidates will be notified to attend the NSW Surf Interstate training session on a date TBA
- All nominees must be current financial members and proficient with their relevant awards. All nominations must be endorsed by Club representatives
- After the close of nominations, Branch will be sent all nominations from within their Branch. Branch will then be required to provide endorsement for nominations to SLSNSW within 48 hours. Individuals are not required to seek a letter from Branch prior to nomination. If Branch does not endorse the nomination, it will be the responsibility of the Branch to communicate this to the member.
- Bronze of Origin: athletes who have transferred to an Interstate SLSC are eligible to nominate for NSW team selection if they originally completed their Bronze Medallion in NSW, under the 'Bronze of Origin' guidelines. Endorsements from both your current club and original NSW club are required prior to selection.

Athlete Draft

In the event that an athlete is not selected for the NSW Interstate team, the athlete will be eligible for the draft as per the SLSA Interstate Rules and Entry Circular.

You will be asked in the nomination form if you would/would not like to be eligible for the draft. SLSNSW will provide your information directly to SLSA directly after the NSW team is announced.

Further information regarding the Draft Process can be found in [SLSA Circular 26/22-23: Interstate Entry Circular](#)

SLSA CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

SLSA expects that all members involved in competition will co-operate to ensure a positive public image and to participate in a spirit of goodwill and sportsmanship.

The SLSA Code of Conduct, Competing Unfairly and Abuse/Inappropriate clauses etc. are contained in the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual (Members Area > Document Library > Sports > Surf Sports Manual 37th Edition) and any subsequent Bulletins.

Any incidents or behaviour likely to cause embarrassment or damage to the reputation and/or image of lifesaving competition will be managed as prescribed in the current edition of SLSA's Rules, Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent Bulletins.

Match Fixing and Anti-Doping

- The SLSA National Policy on MatchFixing and framework covers all SLS Events that are conducted by SLSA, State Centres, Branches and Clubs including special events, conducted by third parties sanctioned by an SLS entity and any event, competition or series connected with Surf Lifesaving. Please refer to Policy Document 5.11 for further details.
- Members have responsibilities under Policy 5.2 Anti-Doping Policy and Policy 6.23 Illicit Drugs in Sport (both available online in the SLSA Members Portal. It is strongly recommended that all Team Managers complete the online Sports Integrity Australia training module AND conduct at least one (1) anti-doping education activity with all competitors from the Club - <https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/resources/education>