

SLSNSW Rescue Water Craft Trainer, Assessor, Facilitator

Annual Appointment and Re-Appointment Criteria v2 July 2022

Background

As per the <u>SLSNSW Education SOPs</u>, and to ensure that both legislative and quality assurance requirements continue to be met, SLSNSW continues to appoint RWC Trainers, Assessors and Facilitators on an annual basis to train and assess the SLS RWC Operator award.

Those currently endorsed to deliver this 'high risk' award, will receive an invite from the SLSNSW Training and Education and Lifesaving Teams with a link to express their interest to be appointed or re-appointed.

Note

The Trainer and Assessor RWC awards are used in exceptional circumstances to support local RWC training. Trainers can only assist with training after the RWC Facilitator has delivered the induction and first session. Assessors can only assist with skills maintenance proficiencies, or with course assessment under the guidance of the RWC Facilitator. The RWC Facilitator must always conduct the final assessment.

Criteria

Appointment and re-appointment are determined by a panel of appointees in consultation with Branch Directors of Education and Lifesaving and based upon the following criteria:

Appointment

- Adherence to standards of conduct and ethics
- Relevant Branch DoE and DoL feedback
- Established working relationships with SLS training and education teams in NSW
- · Currency of prerequisite SLS awards as required
 - □ RWC Operator
 □ First Aid
 □ Advanced Resuscitation Techniques
 (AID & ARTC versions accepted till June 2024)
 □ Certificate II Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)
 □ Silver Medallion Beach Management
- Currency of valid vehicle license with tow capacity

Supplementary Learning for Patrol Captains

- Currency of SLS awards and units of competency noted in SurfGuard within the last 12 months
- Currency other relevant industry qualifications and certificates within the last 12 months,
 e.g., TAEASS502, TAELLN411, the two units of competency aligned with this SLS award (PUAEQU001, PUASAR016)
- Demonstrated commitment to professional development, e.g., attend SLS Education end-of-season and pre-season meetings, completion of annual TAF pre-season online modules, subscribe to vocational training related newsletters, participation in joint industry projects, listen to education related podcasts
- Other relevant considerations, e.g., local training capacity requirements.

Additional for re-appointment:

- · Number of courses facilitated
- Minimum 10 hours on water per season as per RWC Logbook/SurfGuard records
- Feedback provided by course participants.
- Other relevant considerations, e.g., impacts of COVID-19, mentoring activities, course demand, digital literacy, an appropriate and current state maritime license.

Selection Panel

The panel for appointment and re-appointment of SLSNSW RWC Trainers, Assessors and Facilitators will meet to review all EOIs received, and feedback provided by SLSNSW Branch Directors. This panel is comprised of:

- 1. SLSNSW Chair of Lifesaving Standing Committee
- 2. SLSNSW Chair of Education Standing Committee
- 3. SLSNSW Operations Manager Public Safety
- 4. SLSNSW Training and Education Manager
- 5. SLSNSW Learning Project Manager.

Timelines

Sept – SLSNSW Selection Panel identifies members eligible for appointment and re-appointment, and consults with Branch Directors of Education and Lifesaving.

Oct – SLSNSW releases EOIs for re-appointment to select eligible members.

Nov – SLSNSW Selection Panel meets to review EOIs for re-appointment.

Dec – SLSNSW confirms re-appointments.

Jan – Upon confirmation of RWC TAF re-appointments, SLSNSW Selection Panel releases EOIs for appointment to select eligible members.

Feb – SLSNSW Selection Panel meets to review EOIs for appointment and confirms new Probationary TAFs to commence the TAF Induction Process under the guidance of an appropriately qualified TAF Mentor.