



Surf Life Saving Australia - Circular

Title:	2025 SHARKSKIN Australian IRB Championships - Call for Officials Nominations
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Summary:	Call for Officials Nominations for the Australian IRB Championships 2025 to be held at South West Rocks, NSW from Thursday, 17 July – Sunday, 20 July 2025.

Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) is now calling for nominations from all currently **accredited** SLSA Surf Sport Officials wishing to officiate at the Australian 2025 SHARKSKIN IRB Championships to be held at South West Rocks, NSW. The Championships will be held over four days from Thursday, 17th July – Sunday, 20th July 2025. In addition, Scrutineering will be held on Wednesday, 16th July 2025.

The appointment of Officials will be made jointly by the Championship Referee, the Deputy Referee and Surf Life Saving Australia's National Officials Advisor. Officials' appointments will be finalised as soon as possible after the close of nominations and all appointments will be posted on the SLSA Members Area and the 'event info' section of the Australian IRB Championships web page. Late nominating Officials will be added to the 'Officials Pool' and duties and appointments made, subject to availability of roles.

PLEASE NOTE:

In nominating for these Championships, all Officials warrant that they are, and must remain, mentally and physically capable of carrying out all the functions of their appointed role(s) over the course of the entire Championships. All Officials should undertake a medical check prior to departure for the Championships. SLSA may request Officials to provide medical clearance if the Official has had a medical incident at a previous SLS event or if SLSA reasonably considers such request is reasonable and/or necessary. If requested the Official must provide the medical clearance.

SLSA reserves the right in its absolute discretion to:

- Not appoint an Official to any position whether an Official has nominated or not.
- Remove an Official from any position at any time (whether before or during an SLSA event)

SLSA is not obligated to give reasons where it acts under this clause.

Please also note: *You must be able to get on and off the beach without transport.*

NOTE:

All appointed Officials should be able to officiate for the full four competition days, beginning Thursday, 17th July and until the completion of the competition on Sunday, 20th July. Scrutineering will be held on Wednesday, 16th July, prior to the competition commencing on Thursday.

NOTE:

All appointed Officials will be required to attend the Officials Briefing, prior to competition. All times and locations will be outlined in the Officials Appointment Memo distributed at a later date. Non-attendance could lead to your being stood down from your appointed role.

NOTE: SLSA will be appointing only the required number of Officials.

The following senior officials have already been appointed to the 2025 Australian IRB Championships:

- Championship Referee – Nigel Penn
- Deputy Referee – Michael Cooke
- Chief Scrutineer – Ben Griffin



NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Please see a list below of all roles that you can nominate for. You will find the numbers of officials that will be appointed for each role in brackets. You will be required to place your top five roles in priority order in the nomination form.

Technical Roles:

Chief Judge (1)
Assistant Chief Judge (2)
Senior Course Supervisor (1)
Course Supervisor (2)
Course Statistician (1)
Senior Course Judge Lane 1-3 (1)
Senior Course Judge Lane 4-6 (1)
Senior Course Judge Lane 7-9 (1)
Course (Lane) Judge (10)
Chief Finish Judge (1)
Finish Judge (6)
Video Judge Coordinator (1)
Video Judge (3)
Record (3)
Starter (3)
Check Starter (1)
Marshall/Patient Coordinator (3)
Appeals Convenor (1)
Appeals Committee (4)
Competition Liaison Coordinator (1)
Competition Liaison Officer (4)
Announcers (2)
Gear Coordinator (1)
Gear Steward (3)

Powercraft:

Powercraft Coordinator (1)
Powercraft Duty Drivers/Crew/Judges in Boat (9)
Officials Pool (no appointments at this stage as no available positions)

Safety & Medical Team:

Safety & Emergency Management Officer (SEMO) (1)
Medical Personnel Coordinator (1)
Medical Personnel (5)

Scrutineering (Wednesday Only):

Deputy Chief Scrutineer (1)
Scrutineering Marshalls/Registrar (4)
Scrutineering Recorder (2)
Head Scrutineer - Motors (1)
Scrutineering - Motors (8)
Head Scrutineer - Propellers (1)
Scrutineering - Propellers (7)
Head Scrutineer - Hulls (1)
Scrutineering - Hulls (8)
Scrutineering Fuel (1)
Scrutineering Liaison (1)
Scrutineering Appeals (3)
Scrutineering during competition (3 from appointed Officials)

Please click the following link to nominate for the Australian IRB Championships 2024:

[**Australian IRB Championships 2025 - Officials Nomination**](#)



NOMINATIONS CLOSE: Friday 23 May 2025

Further Information

Should further information be required please contact: officials@sls.com.au or events@slsa.asn.au