



Circular 3948

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2026 SHARKSKIN NSW IRB PREMIERSHIP SERIES & STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS OFFICIALS NOMINATIONS

- Attention:** Accredited Senior Officials, Club Secretaries and Competition Coordinators, Branch Directors of Surf Sports
- Actioned by:** Accredited Officials wishing to nominate for the 2026 Sharkskin NSW IRB Premiership Series & State Championships
- Date:** **10 March 2026**
- Contact:** **Victoria Cuthbert**, Sports Officer
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Summary	SLSNSW is calling for nominations from accredited Technical Officials for the 2025 Sharkskin NSW IRB Premiership Series & State Championships.
Action	Complete the nomination online by 11pm Sunday 29 March 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officials Nomination Form

Surf Life Saving NSW is calling for nominations from all current financial and accredited Surf Sports Officials wishing to participate and further develop their skills throughout the 2026 Sharkskin NSW IRB Premiership Series and at the 2026 Sharkskin NSW IRB State Championships to be held:

Event	Location	Date
Premiership Round 1	Warilla-Barrack Point SLSC	1 – 3 May 2026
Premiership Round 2	Terrigal SLSC	16 – 17 May 2026
Premiership Round 3	Broulee Surfers SLSC	6 – 7 June 2026
Premiership Round 4	Swansea Belmont SLSC	20 – 21 June 2026
State Championships	Fingal Beach SLSC	2 – 5 July 2026

Nominations should include details of the preferred roles you would like to fulfil at the event, with two (2) preferences listed in priority order – best endeavors will be made to allocate Officials to their preferred position, but positions are limited.

OFFICIAL REQUIREMENTS

Surf Life Saving NSW is looking for accredited Officials who meet the following requirements:

- Are a current financial member of the Club you are officiating for during the 2025/26 season.
- Hold a minimum of a current Technical Official accreditation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All Officials to ensure that they are physically capable to carry out their important functions over the days of the Championships and are encouraged to undertake a medical check prior to the Championships.
- All appointed Officials are encouraged to attend the Official's Briefings. All times and locations will be outlined in each Round's Final Event Information.
- Appointed Officials are responsible for all costs associated with travel and accommodation for the Championships.
- Officials are expected to wear a SLSNSW Championships Officials shirt.
- While every effort is made to appoint you to your preferred position, it is not always possible to do so. All appointments will be posted on the event page & Team App.
- Officials will be allocated to available positions. If the number of nominations exceed the positions available, those not selected will be placed into the 'Officials Pool' and positions may be allocated if they become available.
- Any late nominations will also be placed into the 'Officials Pool' and positions may be allocated if they become available.

IRB OFFICIALS QUOTA

To support the on-going delivery and development of IRB competition, a quota will be based on a Clubs individual entries per Round/Championship to grow the number of IRB technical officials.

Clubs without sufficient currently accredited officials are advised that members should be encouraged to complete the online Technical Officials course. The face-to-face assessments can be run during the Premiership rounds.

Members who have completed the online course will count towards the quota for the Premiership, however, must be accredited to count for the State IRB Championships.

Competitors Entered	Minimum Officials Required
0 to 4	—
5 to 11	1 Official
12 to 19	2 Officials
20+	3 Officials

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Positions Available
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chief Judge• Senior Course Judge• Course Judge• Starter• Finish Judge• Finish Scribe• Judge in Boat• Marshall• Recorder• Video Judge• Video Scribe• Competitor Liaison• Appeals• Announcer• Scrutineer• Patient Boat Drivers• Course Setters

Positions will be published on the [event webpage](#) and updated as appointments are confirmed.