

Circular 3975

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2027 NSW SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS, PROUDLY PRESENTED BY YOUR LOCAL CLUB OFFICIALS NOMINATIONS

Attention: Branch Directors of Surf Sports, Surf Sports Officials, Branch Secretaries/CEO's, Club Secretaries

Actioned by: Officials wishing to nominate for the 2027 NSW Surf Life Saving Championships

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Summary	SLSNSW is calling for nominations for Officials positions for the 2027 NSW Surf Life Saving Championships.
Action	Complete and submit nomination via the below forms by 11pm Sunday 25 October 2026. Note: <i>Separate nomination forms for each Championships</i>

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Date	Event	Venue	Referee	Deputy Referee
26-28 Feb 6-7 March	Lifesaving	Caves Beach Caves Beach	Adrienne Lowe	Steve Haggett
26-28 Feb	Surf Boats	Swansea Belmont	Mick Lang	Mick Crowle
4-7 March	Age	Swansea Belmont	Darren Moore	Tara Neal & Louis Tassone
10-11 March	Masters	Swansea Belmont	Peter Carney	Jeff Mowbray
12-14 March	Opens	Swansea Belmont	Michael Wasley	Michael Day

OFFICIALS NOMINATIONS

All nominations are to be submitted via the following links BEFORE 11pm Sunday 25 October 2026

- [Lifesaving Championships Nominations \(Microsoft Forms\)](#)
- [Surf Boat Championships Nominations \(Microsoft Forms\)](#)
- [Age Championships Nominations \(JotForm\)](#)
- [Masters Championship Nominations \(JotForm\)](#)
- [Opens Championships Nominations \(JotForm\)](#)
- [Safety / Support Services Nominations \(Microsoft Forms\)](#)

Nominations should include details of the preferred roles you would like to fulfill, with two (2) preferences listed in order of priority. While every effort is made to appoint you to your preferred position, it is not always possible to do so.

The appointment of Officials will be made after the close of nominations. Appointments will be posted on the [event web page](#).

OFFICIALS REQUIREMENTS

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

- Be a current financial member of a club for 2026/27 season.
- Hold a minimum of a current Core Official accreditation for Age Championships
- Hold a minimum of a current Technical Official accreditation for all other Championships.

OFFICIALS QUOTA

Please be aware that there is an Officials Quota System applied to Clubs for all NSW Championship events on the number of Officials required to be supplied. This quota is per event day.

For the Lifesaving Championships, the Quota is detailed below.

For the Age, Masters & Opens Championships – Refer to [Memo: Changes to Officials Nominations & Appointment Process](#)

Clubs **MUST** meet their required quotas, if required officials do not show for their appointed role, SLSNSW will stand down all athletes from that club from competition until such time as the required officials are present.

Officials are required to fulfil **full days** of officiating. Officiating duties cannot be split between two Officials on the same day to meet quota requirements.

Important Note: Safety & Support Services positions do not count to Clubs Official Quotas.



LIFESAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Champion Lifesaver

Competitors Entered	Officials Required
0 to 3	1 Officials
4 to 6	3 Officials
7 to 9	4 Officials
10 to 12	5 Officials
13 to 15	6 Officials
16 to 18	7 Officials
19 to 21	8 Officials
21 and above	9 Officials

Champion Patrol

Competitors Entered	Officials Required
1 Team	1 Official
2 Teams	2 Officials
3 – 4 Teams	3 Officials
5 – 6 Teams	4 Officials

First Aid

Competitors Entered	Officials Required
1 Team	2 Officials
2 Teams	3 Officials
3 Teams	4 Officials
4 Teams	5 Officials
5 – 6 Teams	6 Officials



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All Officials should ensure that they are physically capable of performing their required duties during the Championships and are encouraged to undertake a medical check prior to the Championships.
- All appointed Officials must attend the Officials Briefings. All times and locations will be outlined in the Officials Appointment Letter.
- Appointed Officials are responsible for all costs associated with travel and accommodation for the Championships.
- Appointed Officials will receive one (1) Officials shirt per Championship. Requested sizes are not guaranteed.
- While every effort is made to appoint you to your preferred position, it is not always possible to do so.
- If you have nominated and are not appointed to a senior role, please complete the general Officials Nominations form in due course.
- Completion of the nomination form does not guarantee appointment.
- SLSNSW reserves the right, in its absolute discretion to:
 1. Not appoint an Official to any position whether an Official has nominated or not;
 2. Remove an Official from any position at any time (whether before or during an SLS event).SLSNSW is not obligated to provide reasons where it acts under this clause.



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Event	Positions Available		
NSW Lifesaving Championships 26-27 Feb Champion Lifesaver 28 Feb Champion Patrol 6-7 March First Aid	Champion Lifesaver Judge – Dry Caller/Timekeeper - Dry Isolation - Dry Recording - Dry Competition Liaison Starter – Beach Starter – Water Recorder –Beach/Water Marshall – Beach/Water Judge – Beach/Water Chief Judge – Beach Set up – Beach	Champion Patrol Judge – Dry Caller/Timekeeper – Dry Isolation – Dry Recording – Dry SurfCom Operator/Ambulance Competition Liaison Officer Starter – Water Recorder – Beach/Water Marshall – Water Judge – Water	First Aid Competition Judge Caller/Timekeeper Isolation Recording Competition Liaison Officer SurfCom Operator/Ambulance
26-28 March NSW Surf Boat Championship	2 Areas Starter (per area) Check Starter (per area) Marshall (per area) Recorder (per area) Tower Judge (per area) Course Judge (per area) Course Supervisor (per area) Competition Liaison Officer (per area)		
4-7 March NSW Age Championship	Water (4 Areas) Starter (per area) Judge (per area) Course Judge (per area) Statistician (per area) Marshall (per area) Recorder (per area) LiveHeats Coordinator (per area) Competition Liaison Officer (per area)	Beach (Sprints) Starter Judge Recorder Marshall Competition Liaison Officer Beach (Flags – 2 flag areas) Starter (per area) Judge (per area) Recorder (per area) Marshall Competition Liaison Officer	R & R Starter/Commands Marshall Recorder Timekeeper Judge Competition Liaison Officer March Past Judge



10-11 March <i>NSW Masters Championship</i>	Water (3 Areas) Starter (per area) Judge (per area) Course Judge (per area) Statistician (per area) Marshall (per area) Recorder (per area) LiveHeats Coordinator (per area) Competition Liaison Officer (per area)	Beach Starter Judge Recorder Marshall Competitor Liaison Officer
12-14 March NSW Open Championship	Water (4 Areas) Starter (per area) Judge (per area) Course Judge (per area) Statistician (per area) Marshall (per area) Recorder (per area) LiveHeats Coordinator (per area) Competition Liaison Officer (per area)	Beach Starter Judge Recorder Marshall Competitor Liaison Officer R & R Starter/Commands Marshall Recorder Timekeeper Judge Competitor Liaison Officer March Past Judge

SAFETY & SUPPORT SERVICES

Event	Positions Available	
26-28 Feb NSW Lifesaving & Surf Boat Championships 4-7 March NSW Age Championship 10-11 March NSW Masters Championship 12-14 March NSW Open Championship	Safety Water Safety (Age Championships Only) Powercraft Base Coordinator Powercraft Area Coordinators Duty Boat Drivers Compound Personnel	Support Announcers Appeals Committee Panel

