



Circular 3982

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2026-27 NSW SUPER SURF TEAMS LEAGUE ATHLETE NOMINATION

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

Actioned by: Athletes wishing to gain selection in the Super Surf Teams League for NSW

Date: 13 October 2026

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Summary	SLSNSW is calling for nominations from athletes wishing to gain selection in one of five NSW teams to compete in the Super Surf Teams League (SSTL) for 2026-27
Action	Please complete the nomination form by 31 October 2026

INTRODUCTION

The Super Surf Teams League (SSTL) returns for the 2026-27 Season to provide states with high level competition across varying disciplines.

SSTL 2026-27 will be held at Newcastle SLSC, across two rounds, from 9 – 10 January 2027.

SLSNSW will select five teams made up of discipline specific athletes. Each team will consist of 4 male and 4 female athletes to be eligible to compete in each round of SSTL.

Athletes will be selected based on regions. There will be no draft selection process. Teams will be as follows:

- Northern Dolphins
- Hunter/Central Coast Orcas
- Sydney Northern Beaches Rays
- Sydney Sharks
- Southern Penguins

Athletes will be selected based on the most geographically aligned Branch.

SLSNSW is calling for nominations from athletes wishing to compete for NSW in the SSTL which will feature Swim, Board, Ski, Sprints and Flags as well as mixed team relays in each of the disciplines.

TEAM COMPOSITION

- Each team will consist of a maximum of 4 male and 4 female competitors (a total of 8 competitors)
- All competitors must be proficient and eligible to compete in the Open category for the 2026-27 season (i.e., U17, U19 or Open).
- Competitors competing in the U15 age group for the 2026-27 Season are not permitted to compete.
- There are no restrictions or minimums on the number of U17, U19 or Open competitors per team.

EVENTS

The following events will be conducted each round of the 2026-27 SSTL Competition. Please see [SLSA Entry Circular](#) for more information.

Beach Events – Individual – 1 entry per team
Male Beach Sprint
Female Beach Sprint
Male Flags Final
Female Flags Final
Water Events – Individual – 1 entry per team
Male Surf Race Final
Female Surf Race Final
Male Board Final
Female Board Final
Male Ski Final
Female Ski Final
Team Events – 1 entry per team
Mixed 2 Person Beach Relay (1 x Male & 1 x Female)
Mixed 2 Person Swim Relay (1 x Male & 1 x Female)
Mixed 2 Person Board Relay (1 x Male & 1 x Female)
Mixed 2 Person Ski Relay (1 x Male & 1 x Female)
Mixed 8 Person Ocean M Relay (4 x Male & 4 x Female)

LEVY

Please be advised that a levy may be payable for all successful team members to assist with the cost of the team. Clubs will be invoiced for this levy and it will then be up to the club to pass on this expense to the individual athlete.

Athletes will be provided with a team uniform.

COMPETITION EQUIPMENT & SPECIFICATIONS

- Each individual shall be responsible for the provision of their own equipment, including boards, skis and paddles.
- All equipment used in competition is to comply with SLSA specifications.
- Random scrutineering of equipment may occur during the Series.

HOW TO NOMINATE

- All nominating members are asked to familiarise themselves with the [SLSNSW Selection Policy](#) and the [SLSNSW Athlete Agreement](#). All athletes will be required to comply with the guidelines and expectations set out in these documents.
- Complete the [nomination form](#) by **31 October 2026**.
- All nominees must be current financial members and proficient with their relevant awards.
- All nominations must be endorsed by Club prior to selection – Any nomination that fails to meet this requirement will not be accepted.
- After the close of nominations, SLSNSW will provide a list of all nominations to Branches who will have 48 hours to endorse athletes – Non endorsed athletes will be advised by their Branch as to why.

SLSA CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

SLSNSW and SLSA expects that all members involved in SSTL 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 Surf Sports Manual 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.

SLSA MATCH FIXING & ANTI-DOPING POLICY

- The SLSA National Policy on Match Fixing 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 athletes complete the online Sports Integrity Australia training

module AND conduct at least one (1) anti-doping education activity with all competitors from the Team - <https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/resources/education>

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required, please contact the SLSNSW Surf Sports teams at surfsports@surflifesaving.com.au or 9471 8000.