



## Circular

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<b>Summary:</b> Final Carnival Circular for the Australian Pool Rescue Championships 2017 that will be conducted at the South Australia Aquatic & Leisure Centre on August 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> 2017

This final carnival circular outlines the event details relating to the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue Championships and Interstate Championships at the South Australia Aquatic & Leisure Centre from August 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 2017 for competitors, coaches, team managers and officials.

The International Life Saving Federation (ILS) sanctions this event and as such the Championships will be run in accordance to current edition ILS rules and the current edition SLSA Surf Sports Manual plus any subsequent bulletins or circulars.

### Distribution of this Circular

It is most important that the information in this circular be brought to the attention of carnival officials, team managers, coaches and competitors. Non-receipt of this circular will not be taken as an excuse if a club, team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlined in this and other circulars which refer to 2017 Australian Pool Rescue and Interstates Championships.

### Key Information

Please ensure you and all relevant participants from your state/club are up to date with all 2017 Australian Pool Rescue and Interstates Championships circulars found on the [Members Portal](#) and Australian Pool Rescue and Interstates Championships [webpage](#) and also:

- Circular 61/16-17 2017 Australian Pool Rescue and Interstates Entry Circular
- Circular 05/17-18 Officials Appointments (Final version)
- Section 11.2 – Surf Sport Manual 35<sup>th</sup> Revised Edition  
(Pool Rescue Swim Fin Specifications for Under 12 to 14 Years)

### Further Information

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## CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEES

Three committees manage the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue and Interstates Championships:

- The Pool Rescue Championships Competition Committee (PRCCC)
- The Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC)
- The Pool Rescue Championships Event Organising Committee

Officials are also appointed to conduct the events.

### Pool Rescue Championships Competition Committee

The Pool Rescue Championships Competition Committee (PRCCC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The PRCCC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current Surf Sports Manual, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular postpone, cancel and or alter any or all events at the Championships, and/or alter the venue of the competition.

The PRCCC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required.

The PRCCC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the Championships (for example, Disciplinary Committee etc.).

Chair Competition Committee / Technical Advisor	Greg Allum OAM
National Event Manager	Tony Henderson
Championship Referee	Craig Williams
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Shane Daw

### Safety and Emergency Committee

A Safety and Emergency Committee shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Referee and Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency services. The chair of the committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Organising Committee and the Competition Committee. The composition of the Safety and Emergency Committee will be determined by SLSA or the relevant Organising Committee.

Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Shane Daw
Deputy Referee	Carolyn Wilson
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	Senior Pool Lifeguard
Athlete Representative	TBC
Athlete Representative	TBC

### Event Organising Committee

The Event Organising Committee is responsible for the logistical pre-planning of the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue Championships and Interstate Championships. The Event Organising Committee is not responsible for the conduct of actual competition.

Chair Competition Committee / Technical Advisor	Greg Allum OAM
Chair, Sport	Andrew Buhk
National Event Manager / Organising Committee Chair	Tony Henderson
National Venue Manager	Ken Bird OAM
National Event Officer	Hayley McGreal



Event Operations Coordinator	Kate Theodor-Gallagher
Championship Referee	Craig Williams
Deputy Championship Referee	Carolyn Wilson
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Shane Daw
SLSA Sport Event Adviser	Wayne Druery



## SECTION A – CARNIVAL ADMINISTRATION

### A1 ADMINISTRATION CENTRE

The Administration Centre will be positioned in the Event Admin Room positioned between the main competition pool and warm up/down pool (see site map). This Administration Centre will be open each day of competition from 7:00am until 30mins after the completion of competition.

## SECTION B – EVENTS / OTHER

### B1 TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

The full timetable of events is listed in the Entry Circular 61/16-17 (via the [Members Portal](#) Library > Bulletins, Circulars & Publications > Circulars > SLSA > 2016-17 > Entry Circular 61/16-17).

Key Competitor & Official daily reporting times are summarised below:

	Thursday 3 Aug 2017	Friday 4 Aug 2017	Saturday 5 Aug 2017	Sunday 6 Aug 2017
<b>Officials Briefing</b>		7:00am	7:30am	7:30am
<b>Team Managers Briefing</b>	6:00pm	8:00am	7:45am	7:45am
<b>State Team Managers briefing</b>	6:45pm	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	N/A	8.30am	N/A	N/A
<b>Competition Pool available for warm ups</b>	N/A	7:00 – 8:15am	7:00 – 8:15am	7:00 – 8:15am
<b>Marshalling</b>	N/A	8:45am	8:15am	8:15am
<b>Competition commences</b>	N/A	9.00am	8:30am	8:30am
<b>Interstate Relays Commence</b>	N/A	3.00pm	N/A	N/A

#### Please note:

- The above start and finish times are subject to change based on anticipated entries for the Championships;
- Except for the initial marshalling times all other published times are indicative;
- The timetable may be subject to further changes by the Referee.

#### Participation Restriction for Individual Events

As outlined in the Entry Circular 61/16-17 (via the [Members Portal](#) Library > Bulletins, Circulars & Publications > Circulars > SLSA > 2015-16 > Entry Circular 61/16-17):

- U12, U13, U14, U15, U17, U19 and Masters competitors **must compete in their specific age category** and are not eligible to compete in Open age individual events.
- Age determination and restrictions for U12, U13 & U14 events will be as per Circular 92/12-13 Pool Rescue Under 12 to 14 years ([Members Portal](#): Library > Bulletins > Bulletins, Circulars and Publications > Circulars > SLSA > 2012-2013 > Circular 92).

For clarification, if an age group does not have an event for that specific age group (i.e. Super Lifesaver, 100m Manikin tow with fins, 100m Manikin Carry with fins, 50m Manikin Carry) that athlete is not permitted to compete up an age group.

The decision for the participation restriction for individual events shall not be subject to protest.

#### Participation Restriction for Team Events

In the designated U12-U13, U14-U15 team events U12, U13, U14 & U15 competitors must hold a current award relevant to the age category, as a minimum.



In the designated U17-U19, Open and Masters team events U17, U19, Open and Masters competitors must be proficient Bronze Medallion award holders (or holders of the equivalent ILS member country award) as a minimum.

Masters competitors are permitted to compete in both one Masters Team age event and in the Open age team event.

**NOTE 1:** No U14 or U15 age category athlete can compete in any of the above age groups even if they hold a Bronze Medallion award.

**NOTE 2:** Clubs are not permitted to enter composite teams to compete at these Championships. However, if lane space permits SLSA may allow representative teams to compete for team development purposes only. Such teams shall not be eligible for medals and/or placing points.

## **B2 COMPETITION EQUIPMENT**

SLSA will supply the Rescue Tubes, Manikins, Throw Lines and Bricks for the use of competitors during competition **only**. All competitors are required to supply their own swim fins.

During warm up and warm down, competitors are responsible for providing their own equipment. Competitors are not permitted to borrow Association (SLSA/SLSQ/SLSSA) equipment and if found to have taken any of this equipment they may be referred for disciplinary action.

All competitors are required to supply their own fins. Rubber fins for U12 & U13 athletes must comply with Section 11.2 of the SLSA Surf Sport Manual 35<sup>th</sup> Revised Edition in the members portal. Older age groups may wear composite fins and the fins must comply with the [ILS Competition Rule Book 2015-2019 Edition](#).

Competition equipment may be subject to scrutineering checks during the event.

## **B3 SWIMWEAR**

In all swimming events competitors must wear approved competition dress as detailed in Section 2.5.1 of the current Surf Sports Manual located at: Section 02 – General Competitive Conditions – Section 2.5.1 Costumes, Dress and Style ([Downloads](#) > Sport > Surf Sports Manuals > Section 02)

The SLSA rules are consistent with the rules contained in Section 3.3 of the [ILS Competition Rule Book 2015-2019 Edition](#).

## **B4 RESTRICTIONS & PROVISOS**

The following restrictions shall apply to nominations and competition in the various events:

(a) Competitors will compete as club representatives &/or State representatives where identified to SLSA by appropriate state.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Substitution of Competitors as provided for under General Competitive Conditions in the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual, in conjunction with all current amending or clarifying Bulletins, it shall be possible for a State or Club in the event of the withdrawal of an individual competitor who has been nominated by the Club to compete in a team event to replace such a competitor in a team provided that the competitor coming into the team has not already competed for another team in the same event.



These rules are consistent with Section 02 – General Competitive Conditions – Section 218 Substitution of Competitors ([Downloads](#) > Sport > Surf Sports Manuals > Section 02)

Any withdrawal, together with details of the replacement (if any) and satisfying the conditions of entry, shall be notified in writing to the SLSA Australian Pool Rescue Championships and Interstate Championship Administration Officer by the representative of the Club nominated for this purpose, before marshalling commences for the event. The 2017 Pool Rescue Championships Administration Officer will in turn issue an authority for promulgation to the appropriate Carnival Official(s).

- (c) Competitors **MUST** wear identical club caps / rubber or silicone swim caps in each team event (also refer to Section 11.1 of the current SLSA Surf Sports Manual and Section 3.3 of the ILS Sports Manual).
- (d) For any event to be contested at the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue Championships and Interstate Championships, a minimum of one (1) starter is required. Where an event is conducted all place getters shall be awarded medals.

**NOTE:** Refer also to Section A2 for additional restrictions and provisos.

## **B5 PRESENTATION OF MEDALS**

Presentation of medals will be conducted throughout each day of competition. Any presentations remaining will be conducted at the conclusion of competition each day.

**Medallists are required to wear club costume and cap or team uniform during medal presentations**

Where an international competitor (or club team) finishes first in an event, they will receive an Australian Pool Rescue Championship medallion(s) and other trophies equal to the placing gained. However, the first Australian competitor (or club team) to finish will be awarded the Australian Pool Rescue Championship Title and a duplicate gold medallion only.

Where an international competitor (or club team) finishes in second or third place in an event, they will receive an Australian Pool Rescue Championship medallion(s) and any other trophies equal to the placing gained. The second/third Australian competitor to finish will be awarded the relevant duplicated medallions only as appropriate.

**NOTE:** As per the entry Circular International Clubs are not eligible to earn placing points in the Australian Pool Rescue Club Point score.

## **B6 CODE OF CONDUCT**

All participating associations expect members involved in competition to co-operate to ensure a positive public image and to participate in a spirit of goodwill and sportsmanship. Any incidents or behavior likely to cause embarrassment or damage to the reputation or image of Surf Life Saving Australia will be initially managed by the referee and, as appropriate, referred to a disciplinary committee. Penalties may include censure, expulsion of individuals, teams or clubs from competition and/or the competition venue and/or other penalties as deemed appropriate.

Team managers shall at all-times exercise control over their teams and ensure members conduct and appearance does not have adverse bearing upon the good name of their club or Surf Life Saving Australia. In addition to this the Team Manager will be held responsible to the club and to SLSA for the





conduct of all team members while travelling to, during and returning home from the 2017 Australian Pool Championships. Team managers and coaches will:

- Insist that competitors understand and abide by the principles of fair play.
- Never countenance the use of drugs by competitors
- Never employ methods or practices that could involve risks, however slight, to the long-term health and physical development of their competitors.
- Not attempt to manipulate the rules in order to take advantage of their competitors or their opponents.
- Respect the regulations and authority of the Event Organisers and their association and not attempt to avoid or circumvent these regulations.
- Recognise the special role that they have to play in the establishment of standards by setting a good example of sportsmanship at all times.
- Respect the rights of competitors, coaches, officials and not exploit or deliberately act in a manner detrimental to them.
- Not endeavor to influence the result of a competition by any action not strictly within the rules and regulations, or within the fundamental precepts of fair play.

Please be aware that any practices that are deemed to be dangerous or a risk to member and/or public safety may result in disqualification of the competitor/club from the championships.

Refer also the Section 2.27.2 of the 35<sup>th</sup> Revised edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

## **B7 DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

### **Misconduct**

Misconduct before, during and after the Championships will not be tolerated. Offending members risk disciplinary action against themselves and their club. In particular please refer to Section 2.26 SLSA Code of Behaviour of Surf Sports Manual and Section 2.27 Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour (available online at [Members Portal](#) > Library > Sport > Manuals and Technical Rules > SLSA > Surf Sports Manual > Section 2.26 & 2.27) and the Policy 6.5 – Member Protection Policy (available online at [Members Portal](#) > Library > Governance > Policy > SLSA > Policy 6.5).

Competitors and/or members found tampering with signs, fences or cabling and equipment also risk disciplinary action against themselves. For safety reasons, any equipment found on fences may be removed.

A Competition Disciplinary Committee has been appointed with powers to "cite" or take any action as necessary as a result of misconduct and will be readily available to convene as required up to and including Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

In addition, the behaviour of each club will be monitored at various times and functions and travelling to and from the completion venue and the commercial areas around Adelaide.

**NOTE:** that misbehaviour at any official or unofficial functions will be under the jurisdiction of the Competition Disciplinary Committee.

It is expected that all matters affecting participants, supporters and spectators will normally be communicated to team management, for their transmission to members and implementation.



### **Gambling**

Gambling by SLSA members on events in which they are participating as a competitor, official, manager or organiser is strictly prohibited. Members proven to have gambled on an SLSA Event whilst a competitor coach, official, manager or organiser of that competition will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with SLSA Regulations. Please refer to Policy 5.1 – Sports Betting, Result Fixing and Corruption (available online at [Members Portal](#) > Library > Governance > SLSA > Policy 5.1).

### **Post Event Activities**

Misconduct before, during and after the Championships will not be tolerated. Offending members risk disciplinary action against themselves and their club. SA Police will be closely monitoring behaviour during and after competition each day.

Disciplinary matters should initially be referred to the Pool Championships Competition Committee, who will appoint the Disciplinary committee should it be deemed necessary.

### **B8 ABUSE / INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR**

In addition to the code of conduct, any member who abuses an Official, a competitor, another member or member of the public at an event may be excluded or disqualified from that competition, carnival or an event at the discretion of the referee. The Competition Disciplinary Committee may also impose additional penalties. For the purposes of this rule 'abuse' includes, but is not limited to, making direct or implied threats or behaving in an inappropriate manner as determined by the referee and/or the relevant official in their absolute discretion.

Refer also the Section 2.28 of the 35<sup>th</sup> Revised Edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

### **B9 THEFT**

Any person/s found stealing signage or any equipment owned by the venue, Surf Life Saving Australia, or another Surf Life Saving Club or competitor will be immediately reported to police and that person/s will be brought before the SLSA Judiciary. Please note that automatic disqualification of the team/club from the championship may occur if any member has any instance of misconduct before, during or after the Championships. Such acts will not be tolerated. Offending members risk disciplinary action against themselves and their clubs. Competitors and/or clubs found tampering with signs and equipment also risk disciplinary action.

### **B10 PHOTOGRAPHY**

No club/branch photographer passes will be issued for the event – this is in line with SLSA Photography Policy – Policy 6.21 (available online at [Members Portal](#) > Library > Governance > Policy > SLSA > **Policy 6.21** – refer to “*Section 3 – Photography at official SLSA events*”).

Official photographers will be on site throughout the Championships. In accordance with the above policy, only accredited media will be granted access to the competition area.

### **B11 MEDIA ENQUIRIES**

Only accredited media will be granted access to the pool competition area (in accordance with the above policy). All media enquiries should be directed to the Surf Life Saving Australia Events Team (Tony Henderson, Ken Bird or Hayley McGreal).



## SECTION C – ENTRIES

### C1 ENTRIES

Please refer to the Australian Pool Rescue Championships Entry Circular 61/16-17 (via the [Members Portal](#) Library > Bulletins, Circulars & Publications > Circulars > SLSA > 2015-16 > Entry Circular 61/16-17)

### C2 PROTEST & APPEALS

The competition appeals committee will deal with all the protests referred to it by the Referee or Deputy Referee. The appeals process is detailed in the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent Bulletins and Circulars.

Protest forms will be available from the Administration Centre or Competition Liaison Officer.

The Competition Appeals Committee shall consider the protest or appeal and make a decision. It may uphold or dismiss a protest or appeal. **The cost of lodging an appeal is \$115 Inc. GST.** If an appeal is upheld the fee shall be returned forthwith. This fee is only accepted as CASH.

The decision of the Competition Appeals Committee is final and there is no right of appeal against that decision.

### C3 SLSA ANTI-DOPING POLICY

- Surf Life Saving Australia supports the Australian Government, the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Committee and the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) in their efforts to eradicate the use of drugs in sport. SLSA has published an anti-doping policy ([Member's Portal](#) > Library > Governance, Policies, Forms, SOPs and more > Policy > SLSA > 5.02 SLSA Anti-Doping Policy (revised Dec 2014), which will be adhered to for this event.
- Please note that any athletes who break a world record at the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue Championships are required to perform a drug test to sanction their world record. SLSA have engaged ASADA to be on standby if any world record is broken.
- Please also be aware that random drug testing could take place during the 2017 Australian Pool Rescue Championships.
- It is highly recommended each Club team member (including management and staff) complete the ASADA online e-learning program (Level 1) to ensure all personnel are aware of contemporary issues pertaining to anti-doping. The link to access this e-learning program is: <http://elearning.asada.gov.au/>. Further to this, it is highly recommended that each team, under the direction of the management, undergo at least one anti-doping education and awareness activities as a group.
- It is recommended each Club team member (including management and staff) utilise the ASADA [Check Your Substances](#) reference site, or phone 13000 ASADA (1300 027 232).

### C4 ATHLETE NUMBERING

All competitors **must** be numbered in order to compete in the championships.

A list will be provided to the team managers at the briefing with corresponding numbers for all competitors.

Please ensure you have a marker pen and all competitors are numbered correctly before arriving on pool deck.



## **SECTION D – CENTRE FACILITIES**

### **D1 COMPETITION AND WARM UP POOL**

#### **Competition Pool**

The competition pool at South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre is 8 lanes wide 3 metres deep for the whole length of the pool.

#### **Warm Up/Utility Pool**

The warm up pool will be accessible for warm up and warm down from 8:30am-4:00pm each event day. In addition, the main competition pool will be available for warm ups before competition 6.30am till 30minutes before competition starts.

### **D2 ACCESS**

South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre is located at 443 Morphett Rd, Oaklands Park SA 5046. Entry into the venue will be via reception.

### **D3 PARKING**

The South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre has a free 5-story carpark tower onsite with ample spaces available for all visitors.

### **D4 FOOD SERVICES**

The Aquatic Centre has a café which sells a variety of hot and cold food which will be available Friday - Sunday.

### **D5 FIRST AID AND MEDICAL SERVICES**

The Aquatic Centre will provide First Aid support with their lifeguards on duty. The Aquatic Centre, in consultation with the Safety and Emergency Management Coordinator, will be responsible for contacting any outside emergency services. Competitors are to follow any directions given by the Safety and Emergency Management Coordinator or Aquatic Centre staff.

### **D6 PEER SUPPORT/COUNSELLING**

SLSA are able to provide both peer support and counselling services to all competitors, SLSA members, officials, family members or any other person. To access these services please lodge your details via the Administration Centre and a staff member will then ensure to contact the SLSA Event Manager, Tony Henderson. The services of Chaplains may also be available on request.

### **D7 POOL ENTRY FEES**

There will be no pool entry fees into the Aquatic Centre for officials, team managers, competitors and spectators attending the Australian Pool Rescue and Interstate Championships 2017.

### **D8 CLUB BANNERS/FLAGS**

Clubs are encouraged to bring their clubs banners/flags of their club signage only (not sponsor signage). Please note club banners, flags, towels and clothing must not cover any emergency exit signage, South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre signage, South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre sponsor signage or SLSA signage. If clubs are requested to move or remove their signage, they must follow direction of South Australia Aquatic and Leisure Centre or SLSA; disciplinary action will follow if directions are not followed.

### **D10 NO SMOKING POLICY**

Once inside the Centre, smoking is strictly prohibited.



# SA AQUATIC & LEISURE CENTRE

