



2018 NSW SURF INTERSTATE ATHLETE NOMINATIONS

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

Actioned by: Athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2018 NSW Surf Interstate Team.

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Summary:	SLSNSW is calling for nominations from athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2018 NSW Surf Interstate Team.
Strategic Goals:	To foster the development of our state surf sport teams and athletes
Key Strategies	8.2 Bolster developmental pathways and opportunities for our athletes, coaches, officials and administrators through the stages of their sporting life. 8.6 Strengthen development and high performance opportunities in surf sport events and activities
Action:	Please complete the nomination form by 11pm Sunday 12 November 2017.

The 2018 SLSA Surf Interstate Championships will be held at Moana Beach, South Australia on Friday 19 January 2018. Flights will be booked in accordance with the location of the selected athletes. All selected team members are required to attend the team camp from 17-20 January 2018.

NSW Squad Training:

All athletes who wish to gain selection in the 2018 Surf Interstate Team will be required to attend the NSW Surf Interstate Team Training which will be held at **Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen from 24-26 November 2017**. NSW Team Management & NSW Selectors will be selecting a group of approximately 30 athletes to attend the camp.

By nominating for the NSW Interstate Team you are confirming your availability to attend this training session. A separate squad levy will apply for the training session – see pg. 2. If you have any further questions please contact either Stephen or Jim.

Team Management:

Head Coach: Jim Walker
Assistant Coach: Daniel Robberds
Assistant Coach: Damien Benson
Team Manager: Stephen Marley
Assistant Team Manager: Leanne Johnson

Team Composition:

The Open State team will consist of a maximum of 6 male and 6 female competitive members (a total of 12 team members). To be eligible for an Open State Team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before midnight 30 September 2017 (i.e. Under 17 age group) and hold a proficient SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety.

The Youth State team will consist of a maximum of 6 male and 6 female competitive members from the U17 and U19 age categories (a total of 12 team members). A minimum of 2 U17 males and 2 U17 females must be in each Youth State team. To be eligible for a Youth State Team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years (i.e. Under 17 age group and hold a proficient bronze medallion / Cert II in Public Safety) and a maximum age of 18 years on or before midnight 30 September 2017.

- U15 competitors are not permitted to participate at the SLSA Interstate Championships 2018.
- Competitors must compete for the whole of the Interstate Championships in either the Open or Youth Competition. They are not permitted to compete in both divisions.
- Only athletes eligible to compete for Australia can be selected as part of these Championships.
- Competitors must meet requirements as per SLSA Policy 5.4 eligibility to compete in SLSA Competition.

Team Travel:

All athletes are invited to travel to Moana Beach with the NSW Interstate Team & Team Management. All athletes under the age of 18 years old will be required to return from camp under the supervision of the NSW Team Management. However, those over 18 years old can decide whether or not to select this option. Athletes who elect against using the SLSNSW booked return flight will incur any further travel costs. More information on travel expenses will be provided in due course.

Levy:

Team Levy: A levy of \$600 including GST will be payable for all successful team members to assist with the cost of the team (i.e. flights, uniform, accommodation, food, transport, etc.) Clubs will be invoiced for this team levy and it will then be up to the club to pass on this expense onto the individual athlete.

Squad Levy: A levy of \$250-\$300 (including GST) will be payable for all squad athletes to assist with the cost of the team (i.e. accommodation, food, specialist training sessions, uniform etc.) Clubs will be invoiced the levy amount and it will be up to the club to pass on this expense to the individual athlete.

All Athletes will be required to arrange their own travel to and from the Sydney Academy of Sport in Narrabeen.

How to Nominate:

- Read the SLSA Interstate Rules and Entry Circular (when available)
- All nominating members are asked to familiarise themselves with the SLSNSW [Selection Policy](#) and the SLSNSW [Athlete & Management Agreement](#). All athletes will be required to comply with the guidelines and expectations set out in these documents.
- Complete the [Online Nomination Form](#) by **11pm Sunday 12 November 2017**.
- It is anticipated that all candidates will be notified by Monday 18 December 2017
- All nominees must be current financial members and proficient with their relevant awards. All nominations must be endorsed by both Club and Branch representatives prior to selection – Any nomination that fails to meet these requirements will not be accepted.
- Unlike previous years, the Interstate Team will not be announced at the Interbranch Championships.

Athlete Draft:

In the event that an athlete is not selected for the NSW Interstate team, the athlete will be eligible for the draft as per the SLSA Interstate Rules and Entry Circular.

You will be asked in the nomination form if you would/would not like to be eligible for the draft. SLSNSW will provide your information directly to SLSA directly after the NSW team is announced.

E-Learning:

All successful athletes and team management members will be required to complete both the ASADA Level 1 Anti-Doping and Match Fixing e-learning courses. Both of these courses are free of charge and provide an opportunity to develop a knowledge and understanding of anti-doping and match fixing in sport. Moving forward, SLSNSW strongly believe this is a great additive to the structure of any touring team and/or squad and is vital for elite competition and athlete development.

SLSNSW fully supports the new SLSA Anti-Doping and Match Fixing policies (SLSA Members Portal>Library/Governance/SLSA/Policy 5.1 1 & 5.02). Following the completion of each course, a completion certificate/email must be forwarded to Tim Piper tpiper@surflifesaving.com.au. SLSNSW have organised with SLSA to have these courses uploaded on to SurfGuard as an award. Once completed, the courses do not have to be completed again, unless there is an update in information from the organisations. If anyone has previously completed either course, proof must be sent through to Tim in order to be recognised.

For further information please contact Tim Piper, Sports Development Officer 02 9471 8028 tpiper@surflifesaving.com.au