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# Policy

## Senior Competition

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### **Purpose**

- This policy covers eligibility for Inverloch SLSC Senior Club Championships, Senior Surf carnivals (Victorian, Australian and World), Senior IRB carnivals (Victorian, Australian and world)

### **Scope**

This policy applies to all active members wishing to represent Inverloch in Senior Competition.

All members wishing to compete at any of the above competitions must:

- 1) be proficient;
- 2) have completed the required patrol hour obligations; and
- 3) be a financial member of the ISLSC.

### **Proficiency**

- To compete for Inverloch at senior surf carnivals or in the senior club championships, all competitors must have completed and passed the SLSA Requalification Proficiency Test by 31 December (bronze or SRC).
- Note – membership fees must be paid prior to requalification.
- New award holders must have obtained their award (passed their exam) prior to the designated event.

### **Patrol Hour Obligations**

The following explains the patrol requirements for all competitors wishing to compete in the above events.

- **Existing Award Members**
  - Option 1
    - To compete in any of the above events, competitors must have completed 16 rostered hours of patrol during the calendar year previous to the event (1st January to 31st December)
      - Competitors must be on the patrol roster for their hours to count
  - Option 2
    - Members can also gain eligibility to the above events by completing 16 rostered hours of patrol during the same season of the event that they are wishing to compete in
- **New Award Members**
  - *Bronze camp*
    - Members who obtained their bronze medallion or SRC in the bronze camp of the same season to the event they are wishing to compete in, are required to have completed 4 hours of patrol. (these don't have to be rostered)
  - January Bronze program
    - There is no patrol hour requirement for competitors of the January bronze program in order to be eligible for senior surf carnivals or senior club championships of the same season.
    - A patrol hour requirement of 8 hours applies for January Bronze candidates to compete in the senior club championships the season after their exam.

**Note:** A new award is considered to be either a Surf Rescue Certificate or a Bronze Medallion. If a member has obtained a Surf Rescue Certificate the previous season and gains a Bronze Medallion in the new season, they are not considered to be a "New Award" holder and must complete the required 16 hours of patrol prior to 31 December.

- **Water Safety Hours**
  - Water Safety for Nipper activities can contribute to the number of patrol hours required to compete in the Senior Club Championships or senior surf carnivals with the following conditions:



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- Only 50% of water safety hours completed at any one activity can contribute to the total number of required patrol hours.
- Only 50% of the total number of patrol hours required to compete can be completed from Nipper water safety.

### Note:

To claim patrol hours via Nipper Water Safety, a Patrol needs to be set up and duly recorded and signed off by an executive committee member of the club in the Patrol Log Book.

### Senior Club Championships

Those members who do not satisfy the patrol hour component of the policy may still compete in the club championships however they are not eligible to place or win the overall club champs.

### Other:

- Minimum of an SRC qualification.
- Members with a non water qualification (eg ARC) can compete in the dry land events only.
- Nippers are not eligible unless they have their SRC and meet the criteria patrol hours as setout above.

Exemptions in special circumstances can only be made upon written request at the discretion of the competition managers, club captain, club president and chief instructor.

Note no exemption can be gained for criteria regarding membership of Inverloch SLSC or proficiency.

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