



# CIRCULAR



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The QLD Championships attracts competitors from all over the country, providing an opportunity to unite over 3 days showcasing one of Queensland’s most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

This year’s event will be held at Kurrawa SLSC from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 to Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

This document outlines some key information relating to the QLD Championships. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent bulletins or circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.

## 2. COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current edition of the 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 CC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required. The CC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the event e.g. Disciplinary Committee & Coach/Athlete Panel.

POSITION	NAME
SLSQ Sport Advisor	Nigel Ward
Event Referee	John Brennan OAM
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBC
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
Venue Representative	Scott Wheeler

### 3. SAFETY & EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

A Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC) 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 management. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the SEC will be determined by SLSQ.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBC
Deputy Referee	Santo Della Bianca/Jenny Miller (Masters)
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	TBC
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
IRB/ Water Safety Area Referee	TBC

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#### 4. DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULAR

It is most important that the information in this Circular is brought to the attention of all accredited Officials.

Non-receipt of this Circular will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlines in this and other Bulletins and Circulars.

#### 5. OFFICIALS

All nominating officials will be required to be a current accredited SLSA official and be the holder of a current Blue Card, have completed the CYRMS and Child Safe Awareness.

If an official would like to nominate, please follow the below link.

2024 QLD Masters/Senior Championships – [Official Nominations](#)

Only Officials that nominate for two or more days and before the close date will be given preference on role/area.

Nominations must be received by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

It is imperative that the appearance of competition officials/judges is of a high standard, therefore appointed officials are asked to give a high degree of attention to their quality of uniform.

It is preferred that all officials wear the generic white and blue officials' shirt.

#### 6. DRAFT TIMETABLE

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to change. The Program of Events will go out with the Final Circular.

##### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

4.00pm - Carnival Committee Meeting  
4.30pm - All Masters/Senior Sectional Referees Meeting  
5.00pm - All Officials Meeting  
6.30pm – All Team Managers Meeting

##### **Venue**

Administration  
Administration  
Conducted Online  
Conducted Online

##### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

6.00am – All IRB crews report to IRB Coordinator  
6.00am - Carnival Committee Meeting  
6.15am – Official sign on/breakfast  
7.00am – All Officials briefing

##### **Venue**

IRB compound  
Administration  
Clubhouse  
In respective area

##### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2024

6.00am – All IRB crews report to IRB Coordinator  
6.00am - Carnival Committee Meeting  
6.15am – Official sign on/breakfast  
7.00am –Officials briefing

##### **Venue**

IRB compound  
Administration  
Clubhouse  
In respective area

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

6.00am – All IRB crews report to IRB Coordinator  
6.00am - Carnival Committee Meeting  
6.15am – Official sign on/breakfast  
7.00am –Officials briefing

### **Venue**

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## **7. COACH / ATHLETE ADVISORY PANEL**

The Carnival Committee (CC) will be appointing an Athlete/Coach Advisory Panel for this event, which will be included in the Final Carnival Information. The Panel will be made up of a mix of athletes and coaches and will be a resource for the Carnival Referee and Sectional Referees. This Panel will also be able to take any issues to the Carnival Committee during the running of the event if necessary.

## **8. GEAR TRAILER/VEHICLE PARKING**

Gear trailer parking will be in the northern parklands with entry from Broadbeach Boulevard. Surf Boats will be stored in parklands to the south with access opposite Margret Avenue.

All club, competitors and officials are to read and obey the parking signs set up by the Gold Coast Council and the Carnival Committee and any vehicles that are illegally parked that results in an infringement notice will be the responsibility of the vehicles owner, SLSQ will take no responsibility.

## **9. HEALTH & WELLBEING**

The welfare of all competitors and officials is of paramount importance and athletes or their Parent/guardian in the case of underage competitors should seek advice prior to the competition from a qualified professional for any health concerns if required.

Any competitor or official who suffers illness or injury prior to or at the event must seek a medical clearance before resuming their normal activities which includes training and competition.

In addition, SLSQ may, at its sole discretion, require a competitor and/or official to be assessed for physical and/or psychological fitness to participate in the competition. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of the athlete concerned and fellow competitors while also ensuring all parties and SLSQ are not placed at risk.

SLSQ will be supplying adequate shade tents at all marshalling areas for officials and competitors throughout the event. It is highly recommended that all athletes ensure they carry with them adequate apparel to assist with reduction of sunburn, along with recommended use of sunscreen throughout the day.

Water barrels will be available under the marshalling tents for officials, team managers and competitor use. These barrels are in place for all persons to use and fill up their own water bottles. Please note, no drinking cups will be supplied.

## 10. ANTI-DOPING & MATCH FIXING

SLSQ affiliated with SLSA supports the Australian Government, the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Committee, and Sport Integrity Australia in their efforts to eradicate the use of drugs in sport.

It is strongly recommended that all Coaches and Team Managers complete the Level 1 Anti-Doping Course as well as the Australian Governments Matching Fixing Course. 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. Links to the online platforms are below.

### Level 1 Anti-Doping Course

<https://elearning.sportintegrity.gov.au/>

### Match Fixing Course

<https://elearning.sport.gov.au/>

## 11. BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

Any misconduct while at the event will not be tolerated. This includes the days leading into the competition and any official social activities following the conclusion of the event. Offending members risk disciplinary action against both themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to the current Surf Sports Manual sections *2.27 SLSA Code of Behaviour* and *2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour* and the *Policy 6.5 Member Protection Policy* (available online at the Members Portal).

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the Sport Team at:

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### CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS

**Members and all people involved in any way with SLS will:**

- a) Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others—treat others as you would like to be treated yourself
- b) Be ethical, considerate, fair, courteous and honest in all dealings with other people and organisations
- c) Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions
- d) Be aware of and follow—at all times—SLS’ standards, rules, policies and procedures and promote those standards, rules, policies and procedures to others
- e) Operate within the rules and spirit of the sport, including the national and international guidelines that govern SLS
- f) Understand the possible consequences of breaching the codes and/or this policy
- g) Report any breaches of the codes or this policy to the appropriate PPA
- h) Refrain from any form of abuse, harassment, discrimination and victimisation towards others
- i) Raise concerns regarding decisions of PPA through the appropriate channels and in a timely manner
- j) Provide a safe environment for the conduct of activities in accordance with any relevant SLSA policy
- k) Show concern, empathy and caution towards others that may be sick or injured
- l) Be a positive role model to all
- m) Respect and protect confidential information obtained through SLS activities or services; whether individuals and/or organisational information
- n) Maintain the required standard of accreditation and/or licensing of professional competencies, as applicable to the role(s)
- o) Ensure that any physical contact with others is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person’s skill development
- p) Refrain from intimate relations with persons over whom you have a position of authority
- q) Agree to abide by the codes
- r) Maintain a duty of care towards others
- s) Be impartial and accept the responsibility for all actions taken

**Person in Position of Authority (PPA):**

*PPA include everyone who holds a position of authority in SLS, whether paid or unpaid, and includes, but is not limited to, all SLS Entity Individual Members. For the avoidance of doubt, PPA also includes Child or Young Person (CYP) who may hold a position of authority in SLS over other CYP.*

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