

Carnival Entry Circular – SCB U8-U10 Champs - Beach

Event Name:	SCB U8 – U10 Championships – Beach / U8 Wade Championships
Event Location:	Broadbeach SLSC
Event Date:	Saturday 17 January 2026
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INTRODUCTION

This document outlines some key information relating to the SCB U8-U10 Championships - Beach Carnival to be held at **Broadbeach SLSC on Saturday 17th January 2026** with March Past commencing at 8am.

It is important the information in this Circular is brought to the attention of all Carnival Officials, Team Managers, Coaches, Competitors and Family Members. Non receipt of the Circular will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or Individual does not comply with the requirements outlined in this and subsequent Bulletins and Circulars.

All Clubs and Competitors are required to adhere to the conditions as outlined in this circular as they relate to entry fees, entry conditions, provision of officials and First Aid.

KEY DATES

Entries are invited from all SCB clubs via <https://liveheats.com/events/446999>

Entries Open: Monday 8th December

Entries Close: Monday 12th January noon - ALL officials/workforce/FA nominations & TM Declarations due.

Final Circular: Wednesday 14th January

ENTRY FEE

- U8s ~ \$22 inc GST regardless of the number of events at this carnival
- U9/U10s ~ \$32 inc GST regardless of the number of events across both SCB Championship Carnivals – Beach and Water. Note: U9/U10 athletes will not need to pay to register in Live Heats for this carnival if they competed in the water carnival. If they didn't compete in the water carnival, a tax invoice for \$32 will be sent to their club following the event.

No late entries will be accepted.

EVENT RULES

This event will be conducted in accordance with the current (38th) edition of the *SLSA Surf Sports Manual* (SSM) which can be accessed via <https://sls.com.au/ssm>

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the delivery of the event and conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules in the current edition of the *SLSA Surf Sports Manual*, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular, postpone, cancel and/or alter any or all events, and/or the venue of the competition.

The CC may consult and seek advice from appropriate patrol members, officials, athletes and other personnel as they deem necessary 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.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

A Safety Committee shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency services. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the Committee will be determined by SLSQ South Coast Branch.

ENTRY CONDITIONS

Financial Members: All competitors, Officials, First Aid and Team Management personnel must be registered and financial members of their Surf Life Saving Club for the 2025/26 season.

Competitors: All competitors must be proficient in the Competition Evaluation relevant to their current age group. Competitors will not be able to enter via Live Heats if this award hasn't been recorded in SurfGuard.

Team Events: Competitors can compete in team events for their own age category and in team events in the next older age category, providing they are proficient in their current age Competition Evaluation. Members ageing up will only be allowed to complete existing teams, not make up a full team.

Child Safety: All members over 18 who hold any official capacity at this carnival (voluntary or paid) must Hold a Working with Children Blue Card (as per the SLSQ Blue Card Screening Policy) and have completed the SLSQ CSA/CRYMS child safety course.

Club requirements: to provide Officials, Workforce and First Aid on a roster basis reflecting the ratio of Club athlete nominations. Requirements are outlined in this Entry Circular. CLUBS NOT SUPPLYING THE PRE-REQUISITE NUMBER OF OFFICIALS MAY BE DENIED A START AT THIS CARNIVAL.

Cancellation fee and Refund Policy:

- ~ If a carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 6 percent of the entry fee will be charged to cover the Live Heats/Stripe non-refundable fees.
- ~ If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted, no refund will be given.

EVENT LIST

March Past Colour Party		
Junior All Age Relay		
U8 Male Beach Sprint	U9 Male Beach Sprint	U10 Male Beach Sprint
U8 Female Beach Sprint	U9 Female Beach Sprint	U10 Female Beach Sprint
U8 Male Beach Relay	U9 Male Beach Relay	U10 Male Beach Relay
U8 Female Beach Relay	U9 Female Beach Relay	U10 Female Beach Relay
U8 Male Beach Flags	U9 Male Beach Flags	U10 Male Beach Flags
U8 Female Beach Flags	U9 Female Beach Flags	U10 Female Beach Flags
U8 Male Wade Race		
U8 Female Wade Race		
U8 Male Wade Relay		
U8 Female Wade Relay		

Team entries are limited to six (6) teams per club; however, the All Age Relay will be limited to two (2) teams per club for this carnival. Composite teams may be entered on the day at the discretion of the carnival referee but will be limited.

LIVE HEATS

All Competitors will be required to wear a LiveHeats wristband for the duration of the event. Athletes receive their first wristband free of charge. Following this, all competitors will be required to purchase a new wristband for \$5. They will be available at Administration from 6.30-7.30am

The carnival can be accessed via <https://liveheats.com/events/446999>

MEDALS, PRESENTATIONS AND SCORING

This carnival is for fun and participation only. Competitors will receive a participation medal at the end of the carnival from their Team Manager. Team Managers are to collect the medals at the Team Managers briefing.

TEAM MANAGERS

Clubs are allowed one Team Manager and one Assistant Team Manager to assist in the team organisation. They must hold a WWC Bluecard and have completed the Child Safe online courses. Team Managers should be clearly identifiable by their apparel that highlights their Club name and the wording "Team Manager".

Clubs will not be eligible to compete in the Carnival without a completed Team Manager's Declaration. All relevant Carnival information will be distributed to Team Managers in the event of carnival relocation or cancellation.

Team Manager Declarations must be completed by noon Monday 12th January via: [Team Manager Declaration](#)

OFFICIALS - WORKFORCE

Officials: To ensure the smooth and safe delivery of the carnival, all clubs must supply officials according to the following ratio:

- 1 official per club
- Then 1 additional official for every 8 competitors
(e.g. 9 competitors = 2 officials)

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no meal catering/debrief for officials at this carnival.

Workforce: Clubs must supply workforce at the ratio of one workforce person per 10 competitors. Workforce will be required for carnival set up from 6am and pack down as events in each arena are completed.

Important Notes:

- Clubs that do not meet the required number of officials/workforce will be excluded from competing
- If overall official numbers are insufficient, the Carnival Referee may modify or shorten the event
- If a nominated official does not attend, the club must immediately replace them with another qualified member

Official / Workforce Nominations must be received by noon Monday 12th January via: [Official - Workforce Nominations](#)

FIRST AID

Clubs with more than 10 competitors must provide a First Aid person to be rostered for a part of the carnival.

First Aid Nominations must be received by noon Monday 12th January via: [First Aid Nominations](#)

DRESS OF COMPETITORS

To promote competitor safety and assist with competitor identification costumes, dress and style must be of the correct specification according to the SSM <https://sls.com.au/ssm> Policy 2.5 and will be monitored. A competitor shall not be permitted to take part in any competition if, in the opinion of the Referee, the competitor is not properly dressed.

- Club competition caps must be worn in ALL races to assist with identification of athletes;
- Pink high-vis lycra rash shirt/singlet must be worn by competitors and handlers in ocean events; and
- Swimwear must be worn in ocean events – styles and materials as outlined in Policy 2.5.



Acceptable



Acceptable



Borderline



Not acceptable

PROTESTS AND APPEALS

There will be no protests or appeals at this carnival. It is for fun and participation. If anyone has safety concerns please speak with the Carnival Referee.

INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR

Inappropriate behaviour between and/or towards, but not limited to, administration, officials, coaches, competitors, volunteers, parents, spectators or community members during the course of this event will be referred to the Carnival Committee. If further action is required it will then proceed to the South Coast Branch Judiciary. Any concerns should be raised by Team Managers to the Sectional and/or Carnival Referee in the first instance. Clubs are asked to remind all members of the intent of Play by the Rules and the Code of Conduct, as per this Circular.

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 SSM <https://sls.com.au/ssm> Section 2.27 SLSA Code of Behaviour and 2.28 Abuse / Inappropriate Behaviour and the Code of Conduct (at end of this circular).

AREA MAP

The exact location of the event will be determined on the day pending environmental conditions.



TIDES				
	High		Low	
Saturday	7:30am	1.65m	2:10pm	0.37m

GENERAL INFORMATION

SUN CARE

It is highly recommended that all athletes ensure they carry with them adequate apparel (Personnel Protective Equipment/clothing) to assist with reduction of sunburn, along with recommended use of sunscreen, prior to reporting for Marshalling.

CLUB TENTS

Tents can be erected on the day of the carnival in conjunction with the host club workforce and the Carnival referee. Marshalling and competitor shade tents only will be allowed on the beach within the competition area. Clubs are to ensure that all tents are pegged or weighted.

Should a club erect a tent without the direction of the host club workforce or carnival personnel they may be asked to remove this at a later time.

ENTRY TO ARENAS

Entry to arenas will be limited to Competitors, Officials, IRB Drivers and Crew, Water Safety, First Aid and Team Managers. TM are requested to assist settle competitors in marshalling and then leave the arena.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors and officials is of paramount importance. 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 South Coast Branch 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 SCB are not placed at risk.

HYDRATION

Water Barrels will be available under the Marshalling tents for Officials, Team Managers and athletes to fill their own water bottles or drinking utensils.

PARKING

Parking Officers will be patrolling the area and parking fines will be issued if cars are parked in illegal areas. Parking on nature strips and parkland are not permitted. No liability will be accepted by the Branch or host venue for illegal parking.

No Carnival personnel are permitted at any time to park within the car parks of any businesses or in non-designated parking areas. Any cars that belong to life saving will be towed at the owner's expense.

PHOTOGRAPHY

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Only people with an SLSQ Photographer Pass will be permitted to take photos at this event. Club Photographers MUST have their Club Photographer pass on display at all times so that Officials can clearly see the pass. Club Photographers are to ensure they do not in any way interfere with competitors or competition. Members of the public are permitted to take photos from behind the barriers, the grandstands and other publicly accessible areas. Spectators who become concerned about the behaviour of photographers in publicly accessible areas are asked to contact Sectional or Carnival Referees or the Carnival Administration area.

PHOTOGRAPHY: As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event used for promotional material by SLSQ South Coast Branch.

DRONES: For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators SLSQ prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at this event by members and/or public unless approved by SLSQ 7 days prior to the event. The operator must supply an operation's manual (including risk management plan), provide a copy of public liability insurance and comply with all Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requirements. SLSQ may utilize the use of its own drones to conduct aerial surveillance and monitor hazards.

RUBBISH

Please coordinate club members to clean up their rubbish in the area immediately around your club tent. Consider bringing extra garbage bags to hang on your tent to encourage members to put their rubbish directly into the bins.

SECURITY

Please note security is not provided for this carnival. All property left at the carnival is at the owner's risk, be that individual or Club.

TRAILERS

Please take note of all GC City Council parking signs. For assistance with transporting equipment onto the beach please meet the host club workforce at the beach access point.

NO PERSONAL 4WD ARE PERMITTED ON THE BEACH AT ANY TIME. IF ANY CLUB/PERSON IS FOUND DOING THIS THEN THE ENTIRE TEAM WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

ENQUIRIES

All enquires leading up to this event can be directed to Kym Trinca ktrinca@slsqsouthcoast.com.au.



www.playbytherules.net.au

I will

- Act within the rules and spirit of the game
- Promote fair play over winning at all cost
- Encourage and support others
- Respect officials' and coaches' decisions
- Thank players, coaches and officials

I won't

- Use bad language or harass or abuse anyone
- Criticise or ridicule anyone's performance
- Lose control of my emotions
- Be dishonest or show unsporting behaviour
- Be disrespectful

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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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