



## **Surf Life Saving Australia - Circular**

Title:	2023-24 Nutri-Grain IronMan/IronWoman Series – Wildcard Circular
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Audience:	State/Territory Surf Sport Managers, Directors, Club Secretaries, Branches, State/Territory CEO's, Sport Standing Committee, Team Managers, Competitors
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Summary:	This circular contains the relevant details for a Wild Card for the 2023/24 Nutri-Grain Ironman and Ironwoman Series.

## WILDCARD

There will be two (2) male and two (2) female Wild Card positions available for the 2023/24 Nutri-Grain Series to be awarded at the sole discretion of SLSA.

Applications for Wildcards will be considered pursuant to one or more (no particular priority) of the following criteria:

- Results achieved at the 2023 Nutri Grain Series Trial
- Previous results in the Nutri Grain Ironman & Ironwoman Series
- Previous results at the Australian Surf Life Saving Championships
- Previous results at other surf sports events
- Australian Lifesaving Team (ALT) selection and travelling commitments
- Why your inclusion in the Series may help promote and grow the Nutri Grain Ironman & Ironwoman Series
- Why you believe you should be granted a wildcard
- You qualify for consideration as a Development Pathway Athlete (additional information below)

To qualify for consideration as a Development Pathway Athlete you must satisfy the following criteria: (Please note satisfying the criteria as a Development Pathway Athlete is not an automatic right to receive a Wildcard – it is only one factor that will be considered).

- 1. You competed at the Trial for a Surf Life Saving club from either WA, SA, VIC, NT or TAS
- 2. You competed in the trial at Tugun (QLD) on 11 and 12 November and qualified through to, and competed in, the final conducted on Sunday 12 November.
- 3. If you are successful in gaining a Wild Card as a Development Pathway Athlete you agree to compete for the same club (as you did in the trial) for the entire 2023/2024 season, including the 2024 Australian Surf Life Saving Championships.

Any athlete who makes it through to the final 20 at the 2023 Nutri Grain Trial, however does not receive a Qualifying spot for the Series, will automatically go into the pool of Wild Cards for consideration. However, they are still strongly encouraged to submit an application addressing the above points.

## Athletes who wish to apply for a Wild Card should email their application to: events@slsa.asn.au

All applications must be received no later than 11.59pm (AEST) on Monday 13 November 2023.

Successful Wild Card recipients will be announced on (or before) Wednesday 15 November 2023.





It is not a requirement to apply for a Wildcard that you enter and compete in the Nutri-Grain Iron Series Trial (except if you are applying for a Wildcard soley pursuant to the Development Athlete Pathway criteria).

States are invited to communicate this information to their membership noting the closing date for Wild Card applications is <u>Monday 13 November 2023.</u>

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the events team at: <u>events@slsa.asn.au</u> Surf Life Saving Australia PO Box 7773 Bondi Beach NSW 2026 Phone: (02) 9215 8000