



## SLSA Circular

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<b>Summary:</b> This circular calls for nomination of Powercraft team members to assist at Australian Surf Life Saving Championships 2024. This circular also details the requirements for clubs including the provision of powercraft for the duration of the Championships.

### AUSSIES 2024 - THE POWERCRAFT AREA

The 2024 Australian Surf Life Saving Championships will see the continued implementation of the revised Powercraft (IRB & RWC) rostering process. Individual clubs will not be required to provide personnel.

SLSA are looking to engage active and enthusiastic Powercraft personnel across varying levels of experience and expertise to manage water safety processes across all Championships. SLSA will provide a subsidy towards travel and accommodation, where appropriate, for those personnel engaged in the Powercraft team throughout the Championships.

SLSA is seeking expressions of interest for Powercraft Operators (includes IRB and RWC), On-Beach Coordinators, RWC Coordinator & Support Personnel to be involved for part of, or the duration of, the 2024 Australian Championships. Personnel will have an option to gain the SLSA Core or Technical Official's award through working in the Aussies 2024 Powercraft Area. The Championships Competition Committee will also endorse drivers and crew to be judges of fact and report any issues to Sectional Referees.

SLSA will use a quota system to allocate which clubs will be required to provide a working IRB (Inflatable Rescue Boat) with motor and relevant accessories. IRBs will be required to be delivered to Cotton Tree compound by no later than 11am, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

### EVENT DATES

Date	Event	Beach
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Australian <b>Youth</b> Surf Life Saving Championships	Maroochydore SLSC, Alexandra Headland SLSC & Mooloolaba SLSC
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Australian Surf Life Saving Championships <b>Ocean Swim</b>	Mooloolaba SLSC
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Australian <b>Masters</b> Surf Life Saving Championships	Maroochydore SLSC, Alexandra Headland SLSC & Mooloolaba SLSC
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	Australian <b>Open</b> Surf Life Saving Championships	Maroochydore SLSC, Alexandra Headland SLSC & Mooloolaba SLSC

**Cotton Tree IRB Compound** –Access Via the corner of Cotton Tree Parade & Alexander Parade Maroochydore QLD.

**All IRBs are to be delivered to Cotton Tree Compound.**



## NOMINATIONS

Please find below the nomination link to all available roles within the Powercraft Area at Aussies 2024. All roles can nominate on an individual basis. i.e. If nominating as a crew member able to assist you do not need to have a driver nominate with you.

- Powercraft Operator (Includes IRB and RWC)
- On-Beach Coordinator
- RWC Coordinator
- Support Personnel

Please note, individuals may be requested to assist in other roles throughout the Championships if available.

Nominations at the following link: [SLSA Powercraft Nomination Link](#)

- First Round Nominations close **Wednesday 29 November 2023**
- Second Round Nominations close **Wednesday 17 January 2024**
- Final Round Nominations close **Friday 15 March 2024**

## HEALTH STATEMENT

All Powercraft members should ensure they are physically capable of carrying out their important functions over the course of the Championships.

In nominating for this event, all powercraft members warrant that they are, and must remain, mentally and physically capable of carrying out all the functions of their appointed role(s) over the course of the entire event. All powercraft members should undertake a medical check prior to departure for the event. SLSA may request powercraft member to provide medical clearance if the powercraft member has had a medical incident at previous SLS event or if SLSA reasonably considers such request is reasonable and/or necessary. If requested the powercraft members must provide the medical clearance.

SLSA reserves the right in its absolute discretion to:

- a) Not appoint a member to any position whether they have nominated or not;
- b) Remove someone from any position at any time (whether before or during an SLSA event)

SLSA is not obligated to give reasons where it acts under this clause.

## POWERCRAFT PERSONNEL SUBSIDY

SLSA will provide a subsidy towards travel and accommodation where appropriate for those personnel engaged in Powercraft water safety throughout the Championships. Once appointed SLSA will contact individuals to inform and arrange details.

The value of each subsidy will be determined on an individual basis and will take into consideration the following criteria.

- Distance travelled
- Duration
- Shifts volunteered

Claims will be processed after the Championships upon the supply of suitable receipts and verification of completion of rostered shifts. SLSA is unable to reimburse flights that have been booked through a frequent flyer point system.



## IMPORTANT DATES

Please see below a summary of important dates related to the Australian Surf Life Saving Championships 2024.

November 2023	
Monday 13 November 2023	Powercraft nominations open
Wednesday 29 November 2023	First Round of Powercraft Nominations close
December 2023	
Friday 8 December 2023	First Round Powercraft positions notified
January 2024	
Wednesday 17 January 2024	Second Round of Powercraft Nominations close
Wednesday 23 January 2024	Second Round Powercraft positions notified
February 2024	
Wednesday 14 February	Clubs notified of IRB requirements
March 2024	
Friday 15 March	Final Round of Powercraft Nominations close
April 2024	
Thursday 4 April	Powercraft Team Compulsory Online Briefing
Thursday 11 April	First day for IRB deliveries
Friday 12 April	Last day for IRB deliveries prior to 11am
Saturday 13 April	<b>Competition Day 1: Youth Championships</b> Youth Championships Opening Ceremony
Sunday 14 April	<b>Competition Day 2: Youth Championships</b> The AUSSIES Ocean Swim
Monday 15 April	<b>Competition Day 3: Masters Championships</b> Golf Day
Tuesday 16 April	<b>Competition Day 4: Masters Championships</b> Women in Lifesaving Dinner
Wednesday 17 April	<b>Competition Day 5: Open Championships</b> Opening Ceremony - Masters & Opens Officials Dinner
Thursday 18 April	<b>Competition Day 6: Open Championships</b> Life Members Function
Friday 19 April	<b>Competition Day 7: Open Championships</b>
Saturday 20 April	<b>Competition Day 8: Open Championships</b>
Sunday 21 April	Ecumenical Service Welcome to Finals Day Ceremony March Past <b>Competition Day 9: Open Championships</b> First day for IRB Pickup 2pm-5pm
Monday 22 April	Final day for IRB Pickup 7am-3pm

## POWERCRAFT COMPETENCY TESTS

All Powercraft operators (both IRB and RWC) will be required to undertake a basic competency test to certify they are competent in all surf conditions and will continue to be assessed throughout the Championships. Crew deemed not competent may be allocated another more suitable role within the Powercraft Team.

SLSA will utilise State representatives to ensure operators are competent at major state events in the lead up to Aussies 2024. A competency test may take place in the lead up and during the Championships for local operators and as requested by the Powercraft Organising Committee.

## POWERCRAFT BRIEFING

A Powercraft briefing will take place online on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Attendance is compulsory.

Briefings will also take place 45 minutes before each shift which is mandatory for both crew and driver.



## CLUBS

SLSA will be using a quota system based on geographical location and competitor numbers to determine which clubs will be required to provide an IRB. Clubs required to provide an IRB will be notified by Wednesday, 14 February 2024.

The Aussies 2024 Powercraft requirements are as follows:

- All IRBs provided are not to be Geminis – due to length of use at Aussies and duty of care to the operators
- All IRBs (including all components) are in good working condition. Every IRB will be checked thoroughly by a marine mechanic, any component that does not meet minimum operating standards will not be accepted and that Club will be responsible for finding alternative solutions. If the marine mechanic can fix the fault the club can opt to have it fixed by the mechanic at their cost. Clubs to provide Boats no older than five years old & Motors no older than three years old.
- RWCs are not required as they are provided by BRP
- If any IRBs are damaged during the championships, SLSA will, if possible, have the marine mechanic fix the IRB, otherwise SLSA will pay for any damage repairs.
- If any clubs require assistance with transporting their IRBs and or motors, please contact [events@slsa.asn.au](mailto:events@slsa.asn.au)

## POWERCRAFT INSPECTIONS

All powercraft provided for the Championships will be thoroughly inspected by a marine mechanic to certify that all components are in good working order. Components deemed not suitable may be removed and the Club required to source replacements. If the Powercraft provided does not meet the required standards, the Club will be required to provide a replacement that meets the required standards prior to the start of the Championships. Failure to provide the required Powercraft will be referred to the Championship Carnival Committee to determine the appropriate action.

All craft and components are to be presented to the IRB Compound at Cotton Tree compound by 11am Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April and will be there until the conclusion of the championship or when deemed not required by the Powercraft Coordinator.

Insurance coverage will be provided for powercraft equipment supplied by Clubs while in use for the duration of the Championships.

Please note, any existing damage will be logged and photographed by the onsite marine mechanic and will not be covered by insurance or by repair from SLSA.

## DELIVERING / PICKING UP POWERCRAFT

Upon arrival at the IRB Compound, you will be required to sign your powercraft/components in, detailing your Club name and contact details, while onsite at The Aussies. All craft and equipment will be appropriately labelled with Club details.

Following the Championships, powercraft will be made available for collection from Sunday 21 April 2pm - 5pm & Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 7am - 3pm. You will be required to collect your powercraft by 3pm Monday 22 April 2024.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the events team at: [events@slsa.asn.au](mailto:events@slsa.asn.au)