



Circular 1595 - 2023/24 Water Safety and Officials Ratios

Audience: All Members
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Summary	This circular outlines the information related to water safety, official and parent helper ratios for the 2023/24 Surf Sport Season.
Action	Clubs to organise and supply correct amounts of water safety, officials and parent helpers at each SLSCC surf sports event.

Intro

Over the past few seasons, clubs have been required to supply water safety and officials for each carnival. In the 2023/24 Surf Sports season, the officials ratio for clubs will be split across two roles in an attempt to lower pressures on clubs sourcing surf sport officials.

Parent helpers will be assigned roles such as: place judges, marshalling assistant, flag attendant etc.

Host clubs supply Water Safety for the U8 area ONLY & 50% of their Officials Ratio.

Water Safety Ratios

The **Water Safety ratio** required by SLSCC Junior Carnivals for 2023/2024 season will be; one (1) Water Safety person per ten (10) Competitors.

Ratios are as follows;

<u>Number of Competitors</u>	<u>Water Safety Personnel required (per club)</u>
0 - 5	Nil
6 - 10	1
11 - 20	2
21 - 30	3
31 - 40	4
41 - 50	5
51 - 60	6
61 - 70	7
71 - 80	8

The 1:10 water safety ratio will continue after 80 competitors

All Water Safety personnel:

- MUST hold a **current** Surf Rescue Certificate or **current** Bronze Medallion
- Recommendation that each club include one qualified SMAR holder
- Supply either their own rescue craft or tubes

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- Must have own Orange rash vest and cap
- Must personally sign on in the morning prior to competition starting

Host clubs supply Water Safety for the U8 area & 50% of their Officials Ratio.

Officials/ Parent Helper Ratios

The **Officials and parent Helper ratios** required by SLSCC Junior/Open Carnivals for 2022/2023 season will be one (1) official/parent helper per nine (11) competitors:

<u>Number of Competitors</u>	<u>Officials required (per club)</u>	<u>Parent Helpers required (per club)</u>
0 - 3	0	0
4 - 11	1	0
12 - 22	2	0
23 - 34	2	1
35 - 46	3	1
47 - 58	4	1
59 - 70	4	2
71 - 82	5	2
83 - 94	5	3
94 - 105	6	3
106 - 117	6	4
118 - 129	7	4
130+	Ratios to be given to club via branch upon entries closing	

Except for March Past and R&R where One (1) Official per seven (7) Competitors is required. For March Past and R and R, all officials need to hold Surf Sports official qualifications.

Parent helper roles can be filled by qualified surf sports officials.

Official quota roles CAN NOT be filled by parent helpers.

The 1:11 Official/parent helper ratio will continue after 130 competitors in the same pattern as above. SLSCC office will send this allocation to the clubs after close of entry.

Officials and Water Safety will be required to 'register' via a Jotform circulated to clubs upon entry closure. On the carnival day, officials and water safety will be required to 'Sign on' at the host surf club prior to 30 minutes before the start of the event.

Clubs failing to supply their quota are at risk of having their competitors removed from the carnival.

For any additional information then please contact Michael on 0466 691 090.

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