

The background image shows a coastal scene at Cronulla, Australia. On the left is the Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) building, a yellow structure with a prominent tower. To the right, modern multi-story apartment buildings are visible. The foreground features a sandy beach with waves breaking over rocks, creating white foam. The sky is clear and blue.

CRONULLA SLSC.

2018-19

Patrol Rules

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SEASON 2018-19 PATROL RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE LIFESAVING COMMITTEE and MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Patrol Rules and Obligation for Season 2018-19

Developing the patrol roster is extremely complex, trying to balance many competing demands and considerations. It is important that members patrol to the roster to allow for the efficient management of all our patrol members time, and to ensure that we are able to maintain compliant patrols.

It is a SLSA requirement that all competitors meet the patrol obligations of their membership, including any additional rules set by their club. If the club fails to enforce the club's rules, and permits a member to compete in a carnival, the entire team may be excluded from the results of a carnival.

The Management has agreed the following rules to encourage members to patrol to the roster. We trust that all members will understand the underlying motive of improved public safety and benefits to all members that underpin the patrol rules for this season.

The Club Rules allow for The Management to lapse the membership of any Active or Reserve Active member who does not fulfil the patrol requirements of their membership category. These rules provide the framework under which The Management may exercise that right.

Members are able to check their roster, patrol hours record, awards status and other details using the SLSA_Online Members Portal <https://members.sls.com.au>

Lifesaving Awards.

To encourage rostered patrol attendance and support our public safety outcomes, The Management of the club provides for the Lifesaving Awards outlined below.

100% Attendance Award;

To gain this award, members must have been on the Patrol Roster for the entire season, and performed all their rostered patrols as per the roster without any time missed or any changes. Additional hours to rostered patrols, have no impact on the achievement of the 100% Attendance Award.

Patrol Person of the Year;

The Patrol Person of the year is selected from a group nominated for the award by their patrol captains, and other members of the Life Saving Committee. The winner is decided by a selection panel endorsed by The Management.

Outstanding Patrol Attendance Award (OPA Award);

Eligibility for the OPA Award is the same as the 100% attendance Award, with the exception that members may miss one patrol where they arrange a substitute at least 5 days in advance, and make up the missed hours as a substitute, or on the two Rostered Voluntary Patrol weekends (State and Aussies).

Minimum Patrol Hours requirement for Competition.

Competitors are required to complete at least their minimum hours requirement to be eligible for competition.

It is an SLSA and SLSNSW requirement that members complete the prescribed minimum number of patrol hours for their membership category, and comply with the club's patrol obligations.

If you are unsure of the minimum patrol hour requirement of your membership category please refer to the SLSA 5.04, available online, or ask the office for a copy of the requirements. If you do not meet the minimum requirements applicable to your category, or you fall into default of your hours, (typically 25 hours) then the club cannot (and will not) enter you in any carnivals.

SurfGuard will not allow members to be entered for competition if the required patrol hours have not been recorded, and allowing members to compete who have not complied with our club rules could result in the entire club being excluded from the results of that competition.

The 25 hours for competition is patrol hours performed over the calendar year. Competitions in 2018 is based upon hours from 1st Jan 2018 till 31st Dec 2018. If you are unsure of your hours, please review your record via the Members Portal in Lifesaving Online, or contact the club office.

Minimum Rostered Patrol Hours Requirement;

Members who do not undertake a minimum of 25% of their hours as Rostered Hours may be called upon to make a submission to the club management to maintain active membership of the club.

It is a requirement of Active Membership to attend your rostered patrols, or to have arranged a substitute in advance. It is vital that the Patrol Captains know in advance that they will have sufficient members in attendance to remain compliant with our obligations, and maintain public safety.

Advising your patrol leaders in advance gives them an opportunity to assess likely patrol attendance, and call out for additional volunteers if required.

Requirement to advise in advance if unable to attend;

Members who do not advise the Patrol Captain in advance that they are unable to attend a patrol, will be logged as a 'no-show'. Members who record 3 'No-Show's in the season may be called upon to make a submission to the club to maintain active membership.

The lifesaving committee recognises modern lifestyles make it difficult for people to provide and commit so much time to keeping our beach safe. We understand that all members cannot attend all their rostered patrols on any weekend, however we need to manage attendance to ensure public safety. The Club signs an agreement with the SLSNSW, SLSS and Sutherland Council to meet certain guidelines and minimum patrol requirements, and as such must ensure that adequate volunteer numbers are available for each patrol.

If you **cannot** attend your rostered patrol,

A: You must attempt to obtain a substitute with similar qualifications to cover your patrol, and advise your Patrol Captain and Vice-Captain in advance.

B: If you cannot obtain a substitute 5 days before your, you must inform your Patrol Captain and Patrol Vice-Captain.

It is vital that Patrol Captains are able to ensure that minimum patrol standards are met, and have sufficient time to take action if there is a risk that minimum standards will not be met. If members fail to show for a patrol without the Patrol Captain knowing in advance, it is too late for the Patrol Captain to take action to fill the gap.

A simple email to the patrol captain a minimum of 5 days before a rostered patrol, allows us to ensure that minimum standards are met, and that public safety is not compromised.

Patrol Requirements and Guidelines;

Members are reminded of the requirements contained within the Patrol Guidelines that accompany the Patrol Handout and Roster.

Please ensure you understand all the Patrol Rules and Guidelines. The Rules and Guidelines are developed with member safety and the safety of the public in mind.

Chris Barber
Club Captain

Darryl Easton
Vice Captain

Enjoy Your Season.

