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### SCOPE

This policy applies to all patrolling members or surf sports competitors that are Bronze Medallion or Award holders who are financial members of Noosa Heads Surf Life Saving Club (NHSLSC).

### OBJECTIVES

This policy is to ensure members have a clear understanding of the requirements and procedure for maintaining proficiency.

### SPECIFICATIONS

1. Members, who wish to remain proficient Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificate holders to either patrol or compete for Noosa Heads SLSC, are required in addition to the completion of their Skills Maintenance (Proficiency) in accordance with the requirements as outlined in the Patrol Operations Manual at Section LS 0024 – Skill Maintenance, to further in accordance with SLS Circular 108/15-16 – Skill Maintenance (Proficiency) complete a pool swim (in the relevant nominated time provided for in the Patrol Operations Manual at LS0024) as an **Additional Skill Maintenance Check** by the Club (to address likely differing conditions at beach patrols and beach proficiencies at Pereqian and Noosa Main Beach). Members must be deemed competent in the pool swim which is to be completed at one of the designated NHSLSC swim nights (unless otherwise authorised by the Director of Life saving) prior to participation in any club Skills Maintenance (Proficiency) for their Bronze Medallion or Surf Rescue Certificate.
2. For all other Awards, requirements are as per the current Surf Life Saving Queensland Patrol Operations Manual. Refer to: Section LS 0024 – Skill Maintenance.

### PROCEDURE

1. Member participating in proficiencies must be current financial member of NHSLSC or association prior to attending proficiency.
2. Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificate Award members attend NHSLSC swim night (currently at the Good Shepherd Lutheran College Pool on Monday and Thursday nights from 6pm) and complete a timed pool swim (as per SLSQ requirements) under the supervision of an approved and endorsed NHSLSC representative. (Such representatives are determined by Lifesaving Committee or Director of Lifesaving).
3. If a member cannot attend a club swim night they will be required to contact the Director of Lifesaving to arrange a suitable time. If a suitable time cannot be arranged the member must have written permission from the Director of Lifesaving to complete the timed pool swim elsewhere. (Authentic evidence of swim competency will need to be forwarded to Director of Lifesaving prior to commencing NHSLSC proficiency).
4. 4. Members must complete the appropriate pool swim prior to attempting the practical and theory components of their proficiency. (as per Patrol Operations Manual).
5. Members will be required to complete surf practical - land base practical and theory components of the proficiencies within the same week.