

# CIRCULAR



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The QLD Board Riding Championships attracts competitors from all over Queensland to unite over two days showcasing one of Queensland's most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

This year's event will be held at Miami Beach SLSC on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

This document outlines some key information relating to the 2023 QLD Board Riding Championships. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent bulletins or circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.

## 2. COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular, postpone, cancel and or alter any or all events at the Championships, and/or alter the venue of the competition.

The CC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required. The CC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the event e.g. Disciplinary Committee & Coach/Athlete Panel.

POSITION	NAME
SLSQ Committee Chair	Sport Proxy
Event Referee	Tony Carle
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	John Hamrey
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
Venue Representative	TBAG

## SAFETY & EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

A Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC) shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Referee and Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency management. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the SEC will be determined by SLSQ.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	John Hamrey
Deputy Referee	Bev Walsh OAM
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	Miami Beach SLSC
Event Coordinator	Ryan Bennett
IRB/Water Safety Coordinator	Geoff Wright

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#### **4. DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULAR**

It is most important that the information in this Circular is brought to the attention of all Carnival Officials, Team Managers, Coaches and Competitors.

Non-receipt of the Circular will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlined in this and other Bulletins and Circulars.

#### **5. COVID-SAFE**

Surf Life Saving Queensland have put together some plans around how we can safely hold the QLD Board Riding Championships.

Above all else we ask that members follow safe hygiene practices and maintain 1.5m between people where possible.

#### **6. ENTRIES**

Entries to the 2023 QLD Board Riding Championships close midnight on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Late entries close midnight Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

#### **7. COMPETITOR LISTING**

The draft competitor listing for the 2023 QLD Board Riding Championship is attached. Please ensure your Team Manager checks through the entries carefully to ensure they are all correct.

Clubs have until midnight on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to make any existing changes to entries.

#### **8. EVENT ADMINISTRATION**

Administration will be open from 6am until competition finishes on each respective day and will be located on the beach.

#### **9. PROGRAM OF EVENTS**

The draft Program of Events is attached. Please be aware that this program is subject to change. The Final Program will be released after late entries close on Thursday. Events will remain on the same days however orders may change.

#### **10. LIVEHEATS**

The Judges will be using LiveHeats to score competitors at the 2023 QLD Board Riding Championships.

To follow the event live, please follow this [LINK](#)

#### **11. MEETING AND BRIEFING TIMES**

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to change.

##### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

6.00am Breakfast for Officials and Judges

6.00am IRB Water Safety meet

6.15am Officials and judges briefing

6.30am Team Managers briefing

6.45am Athletes meet for marshalling

7.00am Conditions permitting first event to commence

Events to be contested Saturday:

- U11 to U13 Male & Female Short Board
- Open & Masters Male & Female Longboard

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

6.00am Breakfast for Officials and Judges

6.00am IRB Water Safety meet

6.15am Officials and judges briefing

6.30am Team Managers briefing

6.45am Athletes meet for marshalling

7.00am Conditions permitting first event to commence

Events to be contested Sunday:

- U14 to Masters Male & Female Short Board

The above (and attached) timetable is only a draft and is subject to chance.

### **12. ATHLETE/COACH ADVISORY PANEL**

The Carnival Committee (CC) will be appointing an Athlete/Coach Advisory Panel for this event. The Panel will be made up of a mix of athletes and coaches and will be a resource for the Carnival Referee and Sectional Referees. This Panel will also be able to take any issues to the Carnival Committee during the running of the event if necessary.

### **13. RESULTS**

Results will also be posted on the Surf Sports Facebook Page & SLSQ Website post event. Results will also be emailed to all clubs and Team Managers post the event.

### **14. EVENT MEDALS, TROPHIES & POINTSCORE**

SLSQ Championship medals will be awarded to individuals and team members gaining 1<sup>st</sup> (Gold), 2<sup>nd</sup> (Silver) or 3<sup>rd</sup> (Bronze) in all Championship events contested.

Overall Pointscore (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) trophies for the top 3 clubs in each will be awarded at the conclusion of the event.

The point score awarded to each Champion Club, within each event's age category, will be 6 points for 1<sup>st</sup> place, down to 1 point for 6<sup>th</sup> place. If, when the event has concluded, there is a tied pointscore, the club with the most first places will be declared the winner. Failing this, the club with the most 2<sup>nd</sup> placings to 6<sup>th</sup> placings respectively will be considered to determine a tie and dual trophies will be presented.

Presentations will be conducted in the official presentation are at the completion of the last event. All winners and place getters are asked to wear correct competition uniform for all presentations.

Club caps are optional during competition but winners and place getters MUST wear caps for any official medal/trophy presentations

### **15. CLUB TENTS**

Tents can be placed along the grass or on the beach provided they don't obstruct the judges or any public pathways.

### **16. LONG BOARD SCRUTINEERING**

Scrutineering at these championships will be carried out randomly throughout the contest. All athletes competing in long board events need to be aware of the following measurements:

- (i) A minimum length of 2.74m (9 feet) measured from the nose to tail on the deck of the surfboard.
- (ii) Minimum width dimensions to total 1194mm (47 inches) aggregate i.e., the total of the widest point, plus the width 305mm (12 inches) up from the tail and the width 305mm (12 inches) back from the nose.
- (iii) The shape of the long board is to be traditional and may include multiple fins and channels, but cannot include add on tail or nose blocks

## **17. HEAT TIMING**

As in previous years we will be running 15-minute heats to ensure we can finish all events on the program. If we are running ahead of time Team Managers will be called to discuss the option of 20-minute finals.

## **18. GEAR TRAILER/VEHICLE PARKING**

All club, competitors and officials are to read and obey the parking signs set up by the Gold Coast City Council and the Carnival Committee. Any vehicles that are illegally parked that results in an infringement notice will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner, SLSQ will take no responsibility.

## **19. MEDIA & PHOTOGRAPHY**

### **Drones:**

For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators SLSQ prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at this event by members and/or public unless approved by SLSQ, 7 days prior to the event. The operator must supply an operation manual (including risk management plan), provide a copy of public liability insurance and comply with all Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requirements. SLSQ may utilise the use of our own drones to conduct aerial surveillance and monitor hazards.

### **Photography:**

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event used for promotional material by SLSQ.

Photographers within the Carnival area must have a visible Photographers Pass as well as the Blue Card.

## **20. COMPETITION RULES**

The current Edition Surf Sports competition manual will apply to all rounds and finals in this contest except where stated in this and subsequent documents.

The course design on the day of competition for all rounds and finals will be at the discretion of the Championship Referee.

SLSQ reserves the right to alter or change the venue or course should conditions warrant.

## **21. CANCELLATION POLICY**

The following Cancellation Fee & Refund Policy will be adhered to:

- If a carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 75% of all entry fees will be refunded to all Clubs (25% retained for administration costs).
- If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted, no refund will be given.
- If a carnival is postponed and re-scheduled to another date, a 75% refund will be issued to competing Clubs that cannot compete at the re-scheduled event.

## **22. BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT**

Any misconduct while at the event will not be tolerated. This includes the days leading into the competition and any official social activities following the conclusion of the event. Offending members risk disciplinary action against both themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to the current Surf Sports Manual sections *2.27 SLSA Code of Behavior* and *2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behavior* and the Policy *6.5 Member Protection Policy* (available online at the Members Portal).

## **23. PROTESTS**

All protests shall be lodged with the appropriate Liaison Officer in each Area in accordance with procedures set down in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent bulletins, and shall identify the specific sections/clauses in the Competition Manual and or event rules upon which the protest is based.

Protest Forms are available from the Liaison Officer. An 'Appeals Fee' of \$110 must accompany all documentation when the process is officially submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Should further information be required please contact the Sport Team at:  
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