

**Title:** EOI – Silver Medallion Patrol Captains Courses  
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## Introduction

SLSA have created a new award called the Silver Medallion Patrol Captain that replaces the SM Beach Management award. The new award aims to equip you with the skills and knowledge required to confidently manage a beach and a patrol as a Surf Life Saving Patrol Captain. SLSSA will be delivering courses during the off-season, with attendance at both days essential.

## Course Information

Course dates are currently being confirmed with the Education and Training team with the goal for courses to run before the commencement of the 23/24 season.

The on the job third party report must be completed prior to the course commencement. This document has been sent out along side this Circular and your Chief Instructors will have a copy of this report.

## Surf Life Saving entry requirements

- Minimum 18 years old
- Hold a SLSA Bronze Medallion or have held a SLSA Bronze Medallion and currently hold a patrolling award.
- Have 2 years patrolling experience.

## Pre-requisites before attending the face to face training

1. Completed your eLearning and including online assessments
2. Completed and saved the leadership workbook found within eLearning
3. Downloaded the Operations app. and have access to the Surf Risk Rating (note -this can take up to a week to work properly)
4. Complete the On-the Job component. This form must be completed during the patrolling season prior to the course commencement.

## Course structure

1. eLearning component (6-8 hours) including online assessments.
2. On the Job component - This may be signed off by an active Patrol Captain.
3. Face to face training occurs over 2 full days. Day one is theory and day 2 is practical scenarios.

## Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course participants should be able to:

- Know the role and responsibilities of a Patrol Captain
- Know how to find and when to refer to organisational documents and policies.
- Access and record information relevant to your Patrol
- Apply the principals of effective leadership to motivate and engage team members
- Apply leadership techniques to manage multiple incidents as a Patrol Captain
- Effectively communicate in difficult situations, including managing inappropriate public behaviour
- Complete a Surf Risk Assessment using Surf Risk Rating in the Operations App.
- Lead patrol set up, pack down and manage the beach
- Know how to set up the beach in special circumstances
- Action operational risk and hazard management
- Effectively manage a Patrol Team including the delegation of operational tasks
- Conduct effective briefing and de-briefing, including follow-up
- Coordinate the response to minor and major incidents including working with multi-agencies

## What do you need to bring?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Day 1</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A copy of your eLearning certificate</li><li>○ A copy of/ access to Leadership workbook</li><li>○ A notebook and pen</li><li>○ Lunch</li><li>○ Water bottle</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Day 2</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Patrol uniform</li><li>○ Sunscreen &amp; hat</li><li>○ Lunch</li><li>○ Water bottle</li></ul></li></ul>
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## Learning Resources

Assessment portfolio  
SLSA document library  
SLS Publications app  
SLS Learning app  
SLS eLearning platform  
OTJ third-party report  
SLS Operations app with access to Surf Risk Rating

## Assessment

Assessment is through demonstration, presentation, and application of all elements of competency in the workplace. Participants will be required to complete activities that may include role-plays, oral and written questioning, practical demonstrations and performing scenarios.

## Application Process

Applications close COB 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023. Each course is limited to 12 candidates. Successful applications will be based on the application forms approved by the Club's Chief Instructor. Please use the link below to apply.

## [SMPC Expression of Interest Form](#)

## Proficiencies

Proficiency is required in the prerequisites for this award to remain current.

Award holders may be expected to remain current through participation in annual update sessions  
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