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## Circular

Title:	Expression of Interest – Safety Officer (SEMC) at Surf Sport Carnivals
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Department:	Surf Sports
Audience:	Club President, Club Captain, Secretary, Surf Sport Officers – Please circulate to all your members
Date:	14 September 2023

Surf Life Saving SA (SLSSA) is the peak organisation for water safety and lifesaving services in South Australia and is affiliated with Surf Life Saving Australia.

As part of sport program SLSSA regularly conducts events and special training activities. The provision of a safe environment at all SSLSA competitions is paramount.

SLSSA is currently seeking applications for the role of Safety Officer (Carnival Safety Officer) from surf lifesavers to undertake training and operational duties as part of carnival safety team including the carnival competition committee "Event Specific Committee".

The role of safety officer (Carnival Safety) is to act as SLSSA incident managers and provide operational support, coordination, and command (where necessary) at any Surf Sports events, to improve incident outcomes and reduce risks.

Some of the specific duties include but not limited to,

- Manage local incidents or, where appropriate, to assume the position of Incident Controller at such incidents.
- Coordinated all search and rescue efforts until the State Duty Officer or their delegate makes a determination.
- Coordinate with the State Duty Officer, the use or activation of all SLSSA resources
- Chair the surf sports emergency safety committee "Event Specific Committee"
- Ensure adequate water safety is available prior and during a carnival.
- To support Area Referees with any safety issue

## **Minimum Crew Applicant Criteria**

Applicants must meet the following minimum criteria:

- 3 years' / seasons experience as SLS Patrol Captain
- Full and valid drivers' license (Class C)
- Be an active financial member of an affiliated Surf Life Saving Club.
- DCSI Check (Working with Children Check)
- National Police Check

## **Minimum SLSA Awards**

- Bronze Medallion
- Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue (SMAR) proficient
- Silver Medallion Patrol Captains' awards
- Advanced Resuscitation
- Provide First Aid

## **Other Requirements**

In addition to induction/operational experience safety officer participants must be willing to complete the following courses when they become available, these courses will be provided by SLSSA

- Emergency Operations Group familiarisation
- Control a Level 1 Incident (PUAOPE012)
- Mental Health First Aid (or similar)
- SafeWork SA awareness course