

Training Equipment Audit

As a result of the recent training equipment audit, the following equipment is being purchased by SLSNSW and will be delivered to your region soon. Building upon lessons learnt during the distribution of the Education Team iPads and QCPR manikins in the past, an online form will be developed to confirm receipt of the equipment at the SLSC. This online form will require the upload of an image of the equipment arriving at the club, as well as the details of the member confirming and accepting their receipt. Branch DoEs will be consulted about how delivery should be organised, and the form completed in their branch. An overview of the equipment allocated for your branch will be communicated to you by your Support Officer when you discuss delivery options.

Probationary TAFs

SLSNSW will be extending the proficiency dates of Probationary TAF awards from 31st Dec 2021 to 31st Dec 2022 to accommodate for the extenuating circumstances presented by COVID-19 and its significant impact on the delivery of SLS training and education. This PUA20119 Credit Transfer invite will be extended to eligible Probationary BM TAFs from Oct 2021.

First Aid and CPR Extensions

As per SLSA Circular 17/21-22 released 27th Sept 21:

- Renewal dates for CPR and First Aid which have expired in 2021 will be extended until 31 December 2021 for SLS purposes only (date pending further public health advice).
- Critical training can occur in both NSW and VIC, so this should allow sufficient time for members to complete any updates to their CPR and First Aid where necessary.

Access to SLSNSW Training Resources

In preparation for the revamped SLSNSW website, the SLSNSW Training and Education Team is reviewing the contents of its T&E webpages. As part of the revamp, many of the SLSNSW training resources will be relocated from the SLSNSW website to the SLS Members Area as restricted resources for TAFs. The SLSNSW Training and Education Team will also be reviewing the training resources themselves. Zoe will soon send out some instructions soon on how you can provide feedback.

HLTAID002 RPL Email

The RPL invitations for BM TAFs without their HLTAID002 in SurfGuard have been released. At present, 36 RPL form submissions have been received since Wed 22nd Sept 2021.

Assessing App Project This next phase of SLSA Assessing App project will include enhancements for award assessments in addition to skills maintenance for the start of the 2022/23 season. It will also take a closer look at the use of the assessing app with central venue assessment scenarios, as well as solutions to overcoming barriers currently faced by members not using the app within their region. There is also a new Assessing App Resource Links document available.

Surf Sports Competition Eligibility

SLSNSW is currently exploring options to extend competition eligibility dates for SRC and BM award holders. In the meantime, please advise CTOs to prioritise competitor SRC and BM training, if possible, to support these members entering championship events in early 2022.

Recent SLSA Updates to Note

1. The former SLSA Policy 6.05 Member Protection has been broken down into 3 new policy areas, a new child safe commitment and a new inclusion and diversity statement. SLSA education resources will be updated as per their review schedule to include reference to these new policies as required. Refer to SLSA Circular 27/21-22 for more information.
2. The Surf Rescue Medal (formerly Rescue of the Month) is a separate recognition program to the SLSA Meritorious Awards. See SLSA Circular 16/21-22 for more information.
3. Australian Water Safety Strategy has been launched.
4. Surf Rescue Uniform Patrol Uniform Credit and Free Shirt Allocation aimed at new members entering the organisation has been distributed to clubs.
5. Resuscitation Theory Assessment Booklet v3 Sept 2021 released. ART and Resuscitation resources updated. See update mapping table in this document.

Purchasing ART Training Equipment

Clubs wanting to purchase specialised ART training equipment should contact Karle at ALA.

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