

TALLEBUDGERA SLSC SURF SPORTS COMPETITION POLICY



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Objective

The Tallebudgera Surf Life Saving Club Inc. (the Club) is committed to improving surf sports and supporting members in the pursuit of their surf sport goals at a Branch, State, National and International level. The Club invests substantially in surf sports through coaching, squad swimming, the Competition Levy program and equipment. This policy outlines the Club’s expectations for competitive members and assistance available to support competitors in the pursuit of their surf sports goals.

Competitor Agreement

The *Competitor Agreement* outlines the commitment between the Club and Senior competitors. The agreement outlines the Club's commitment to members, the eligibility criteria for a member to compete and an option for the member to participate in the Competition Levy program.

The agreement must be signed by all competitors each season prior to entering a competition covered by the levy. The *Competitor Agreement* is in Appendix 1, and details of the current *Competitor Levy Program* is in Appendix 2.

Club Champs Day

One Senior Club Champs event is held during the season for Surf & Beach Events. All members may participate but are only eligible for Club Champ points if they are a financial and proficient member. The Club Champs date will be communicated via Team App and is subject to change.

Storage of Equipment

Limited storage of equipment is available at the Club for member's craft. Preference is given to training and competing members of the Club, as well as members using their craft to provide regular water safety to Junior members.

Allocation of storage racks shall be determined by the Craft Captain and/or Surf Sports Committee. Racks shall be named, and a record of rack allocation will be maintained by the Surf Club Office. It is the members responsibility to update the Office on personal craft stored within the craft shed.

Members are required to remove disused or secondary equipment from the racks to ensure adequate space for other members and are requested to store all other items (e.g. board bags) at home.

Team Selection

Team selection is at the discretion of the Senior Coach. Any issues shall be directed to the Director of Surf Sports via email doss@tallesurfclub.net.au.

Competitor Assistance

In addition to supplying coaching, paying approved nomination fees and providing a basic level of equipment, the Club offers additional assistance to competitors.

Supported Fundraising

The Club provides opportunities for members to fundraise via raffles and/or other fundraising initiatives to assist in funding competition expenses. The fundraising can be used for any reasonable competition related cost in accordance with the *Fundraising Agreement* and assists members in owning craft outright.

Fundraising allocation is at the discretion of the Club. To organise a supported fundraising raffle and/or other activity (e.g. Bunnings BBQ) contact your section lead or email the Director of Surf Sports at doss@tallesurfclub.net.au. The *Fundraising Agreement* is in Appendix 3 and must be signed prior to commencing fundraising activities.

TALLEBUDGERA SUPPORTERS CLUB RAFFLES		
Day	Section	Section Lead
Monday	Vacant	DOSS
Tuesday	Vacant	DOSS
Wednesday	Youth	Youth Officer
Thursday	IRB	IRB Captain
Friday	Nippers	JAC
Saturday	Supporters Club	
Sunday	Boaties	Boat Captain

Surf Sport Grants

Surf Sport Grants may be granted to members to further support their development within Surf Sports. This may include costs associated with:

- Professional training sessions not being offered by the Club
- Subsidised craft purchases
- Surf Sports coaching development
- Competition costs for Branch, State and National representative teams
- Other costs deemed appropriate by the Surf Sports Committee

Factors that may be considered in the assessment of grant applications include:

- The number of years the members has been a member and/or competitor for the Club
- Previous grants and/or assistant provided to the member
- Commitment and consistency in attending training and competing for the Club
- Previous performance and results
- Eligibility under the *Competitor Agreement* including meeting minimum patrol hours
- Any other factor considered relevant by the Surf Sports Committee

Assessment and approval of grants is at the sole discretion of the Surf Sports Committee and must be endorsed by our Management Committee. Grants may be applied with terms and conditions and will undergo a regular review. The Club reserves the right to revoke any assistance if the terms and conditions of the grants and/or the *Competitor Agreement* are not met.

To apply for a Surf Sports Grant, members need to submit a *Surf Sports Grant Application Form* in Appendix 4, detailing what the grant is for and the justification for the grant. Grants are subject to budgetary constraints and applications should be made early in the season to allow for budgeting of the expense.

Team Craft

Any requests for purchasing or selling of team items (e.g. Double Ski, Surf Boat, IRB racing) are to be submitted by the relevant Section Captain to the Surf Sports Committee with full costing and justification for the item.

Approval of craft or accessories for purchase will be at the discretion of the Surf Sports Committee and endorsed by the Management Committee. Approval must be obtained prior to purchase and all items should be allowed for in the annual sectional budgets.

Leasing Club-Owned Craft

Club-owned craft may be available for lease occasionally. A *Lease Agreement* provides the member with exclusive use of the craft for the duration of the season, and it must be returned to the Club at the end of the lease period in the same condition as it was first hired (except for the reasonable wear and tear). All damages must be repaired and paid for by the lessee.

Craft shall be assign based on availability and with consideration to the members' skill and training attendance. There is no guarantee that craft will be available, and assigning the craft is at the discretion of the Surf Sports Committee.

Competitors that lease a craft will have to pay a predetermined amount (\$100/\$200/\$300) for the exclusive use of the craft for that season. The amount payable will be determined by the age and quality of the craft being leased.

Should you wish to enquire about craft available for lease please contact the Craft Captain and/or the Director of Surf Sports on doss@tallesurfclub.net.au. The *Lease Agreement* is in Appendix 5.

Prizes/Trophies/Awards

Individual Events

- All prizes/trophies/awards won by an individual representing the Club shall be retained by the individual.

Team Events

- Cash prizes (in the form of cash, cash voucher or any equivalent form intended to be transferred into cash) won by a team representing the Club, shall be shared by dividing the winnings evenly between team members.
- Trophies (including any equipment that could be considered a trophy) won by a team representing the Club will be retained by the Club
- Non-cash prizes (in the form of equipment or any item that cannot be considered cash or a trophy) will be retained by the Club for allocation and/or use as it deems fit, and in consultation with the Surf Sports Committee and Management Committee

Breaches in Policy or Agreements

Breaches of this policy or the *Competitors Agreement* will be considered when competitors nominate for competition and/or apply for additional assistance in any form. A serious breach (or repeated minor breaches) may result in the competitor facing sanctions up to and including exclusion from competition altogether, along with any other disciplinary outcome the Club may decide to impose and including suspension of subsidies.

If the member discontinues their membership with the Club, or ceases to partake in Club training and/or competition, the Surf Sports and Management Committees, the member may be required to:

- Make full reimbursement, to the Club, of all fees, subsidies and bonuses paid to the member whilst under the policy
- Return all Club-owned craft to the Club in good order and condition, or the equivalent payment of same must be made to the Club
- Competitors who have breached any provision of Club policy shall not be granted a clearance from the Club until a full and complete reimbursement has been made to the Club, to the satisfaction of the Surf Sports Committee and Management Committee

Appendix 1 – Competitor Agreement

The Tallebudgera Surf Life Saving Club Inc. (the Club) is committed to improving Surf Sports at Branch, State, National and International levels. This agreement outlines the commitment between the Club and Senior competitors to support continual improvement of Surf Sports from an individual, team and Club level.

THE CLUB'S COMMITMENT

The Club is committed to ensuring athletes wishing to compete for the club have access to training and equipment to undertake competition. The Club offers a *Competitor Levy Program* to subsidise entry fees (except late nomination fees) incurred while competing for the Club at competitions endorsed by the Surf Sports Committee. Further assistance is available to support members in pursuit of their Surf Sports goals.

THE MEMBER'S COMMITMENT

1. Be a financial, proficient member of the Club.
2. Meet the minimum patrolling obligations as set out by Surf Life Saving Australia¹ governance and undertake rostered patrols within the Club's guidelines being:
 - a. Active & Cadet:
 - 25 patrol service hours per annum; or
 - a minimum of 10 patrol hours and minimum 15 hours of service for other activity as endorsed by the Club
 - b. Reserve Active & Long Service:
 - 12 patrol service hours per annum; or
 - a minimum of 5 patrol hours and minimum 7 hours of service for other activity as endorsed by the Club
 - c. New competitors & competitors transferring their competition rights to Tallebudgera SLSC:
 - 4 patrol service hours per month up until 31st December.
3. Attend training with the Club's coach/es or another accredited coach for training not being offered by the Club.
4. Be available to compete at senior carnivals as requested by the Club. Withdrawal from events without endorsement from the Club coach will incur the nomination fees being refunded by the member.
5. Assist with fundraising activities as requested by the Club.

- 6. Be a positive Club member and be available to assist at carnivals.
 - 7. Abide with all requirements as set out within the SLSQ Code of Conduct and Surf Sports Competition Policy.
 - 8. I will pay the Competitor Levy prior to entering a covered competition
- OR
- I will pay my own entries and pay for any uniform items I require

COMPETITOR AGREEMENT			
<p>I/We acknowledge that I/we have read this document and agree to compete under the terms as set out above.</p> <p>For the 2024/25 competition season, if I/we require assistance from the Club beyond training and nomination fees I/we will make application through the Surf Sports Committee.</p>			
Member name:			
Member signature:		Date:	
Guardian signature (for under 18):		Date:	

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Note 1: SLSA – Competition Eligibility Policy – Doc No. 5.04 – Last reviewed May 2020 - This Policy is made under clause 39 of the SLSA Constitution. It is binding on all Members of SLSA and is to be interpreted in accordance with the SLSA Constitution.

Appendix 2 – Competitor Levy Program

Competitor Levy Program is available to senior competitors. The levy is optional and includes entry fees to all ‘covered carnivals’, plus a competitor’s shirt and hat. If opting in to the Competitor Levy Program, the levy must be paid by the member prior to entering a ‘covered carnival’. Alternatively, competitors may elect not to participate and pay their own entry fees during the season.

Competitor Levy for 2024/25 Season = \$175

COVERED CARNIVALS FOR 2024/25 SEASON	
Boat Carnivals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ASRLQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Carnival x 2 ▪ ASRL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Navy Series x 2 ○ QLD Cup x 4 ○ Youth Series x 2 ○ Open ▪ SLSQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State Championships ▪ SLSA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Australian Short Course Surf Boat Championships ○ Aussie Championships
IRB Carnivals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SLSQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ocean Roar x 4 ○ State Championships ▪ SLSA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aussie Championships
Surf/Beach Carnivals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PDB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Branch Championships ▪ SLSQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Beach Series x 3 ○ Oceans 38 x 3 ○ State Championships ○ Enduro Championships ▪ SLSA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aussie Championships ▪ Summer of Surf x 4
Pool Rescue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SLSQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gold Coast Championships ○ State Championships
Surfing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SLSQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State Championships ▪ SLSA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aussie Championships
<p><i>Note: Selection to attend certain carnivals (e.g. State/National Championships, SOS, etc) may be at the discretion of the Senior Coach and/or Sectional Captain.</i></p>	

Appendix 3 – Fundraising Agreement

The Tallebudgera Surf Life Saving Club Inc. (the Club) is committed to improving surf sports and supporting members in the pursuit of their surf sport goals. The Club provides opportunities for members to fundraise via raffles and/or other fundraising initiatives to assist in funding competition expenses.

Terms and conditions:

1. Fundraising raffle allocation and/or other fundraising opportunities for members is at the discretion of the Club.
2. Raised funds will be shared and/or used for a designated group purpose/expense, at the discretion of the Club and in accordance with the conditions stipulated by the Club prior to the fundraising activity.
3. The member commits to participating in the fundraising opportunity in accordance with the designated schedule/roster and/or conditions stipulated by the Club. Failure to attend or comply with these requirements may reduce the member’s share of funds raised.
4. The member must be financial and proficient member.
5. The member and/or parent/guardian commit to regular contributions to the Club, including but not limited to, workforce for carnivals held at Tallebudgera, assistance for Club fundraising activities and family member assistance at carnivals (e.g. Officials, IRB, Water safety, Age managers, Tents, etc.).
6. The funds may be used for any reasonable competition related costs incurred within the season, including but not limited to, competition entries/levy, travel/accommodation costs, representative team costs, or other costs approved by the Club. Costs associated with Club membership are excluded.
7. Members that compete for the Club and consistently attend the Club’s training program may use funds to purchase craft. Any craft purchased must meet SLSQ requirements for competition boards and/or skis. The member must remain a competitor with the Club for at least one season after receiving their craft or reimburse the Club any funds received towards the craft prior to transfer.
8. Proof of purchase must be provided for all items prior to receiving any funds, and funds will be released in accordance with the Club’s accounting processes.

FUNDRAISING AGREEMENT			
I/We acknowledge that I/we have read and agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions outlined in this agreement in return for receiving fundraising assistance from Tallebudgera SLSC Inc.			
Member name:			
Member signature:		Date:	
Guardian signature (for under 18):		Date:	

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Appendix 4 – Surf Sports Grant Application Form

For season:	202.... / 202....
Name:	
Date Joined:	
Membership Category:	
Previous Clubs:	
Awards Gained:	
Club Positions Held:	
Details of previous assistance:	
Grant Request Details:	
Justification:	
Cost details:	

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Director of Surf Sports			
Recommendation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	<input type="checkbox"/> Decline	
Signature:		Date:	
Details:			
President			
Endorsed:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	<input type="checkbox"/> Decline	
Signature:		Date:	
Details:			

Appendix 5 - Craft Leasing Agreement

Season:	202.... / 202....
Name:	
Craft storage location:	
Lease cost:	
Craft type:	
Craft description:	

Terms and Conditions:

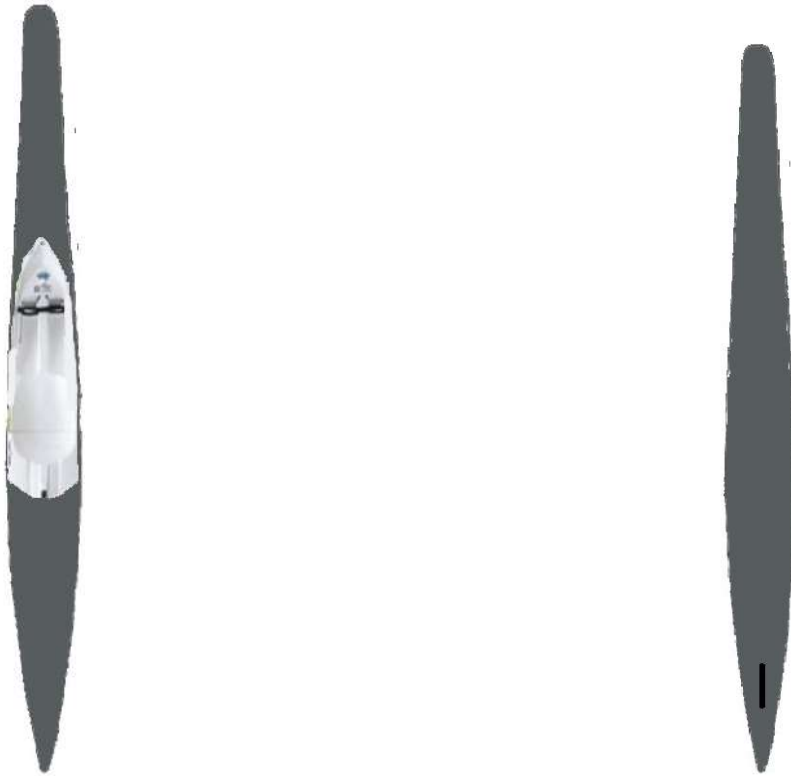
1. The board/ski must be returned to the Club at the end of the hire period in the same condition as it was first hired except for the reasonable wear and tear that would be expected for that duration of hire.
2. All damages must be repaired and paid for by the hirer.
3. The hire will accept full responsibility for the board for the time of hire.

BOARD

Please note and mark any existing damages that the board or ski may have at the time of hiring against the diagram below.



SKI



LEASE AGREEMENT			
I/We acknowledge that I/we have read and agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions outlined in this agreement.			
Member name:			
Member signature:		Date:	
Guardian signature (for under 18):		Date:	

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Approved by Surf Sports Committee Member			
Name:			
Signature:		Date:	