



SURF LIFE SAVING
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Date: 14 September 2007
From: Grant Lewis, District Manager
To: All Christchurch Clubs
Re: Junior Surf Competition Rules

We thought it was timely to provide clubs with a summary of recent rulings made by the Junior Surf Committee. This is not a comprehensive list and has been taken from meeting minutes in the last 2 years. Hopefully this will be useful leading into the season.

- Competitors can only compete in one age group per season, but may compete up one age group for team events only.
- Competing up an age group – a maximum of two people per team can compete up. The proviso being that a club must use the correct aged people before bringing up a competitor from the lower age group. Eg., if you have 3 x 12 yr old competitors - you must make 1 team of 2 x 12yr old competitors, and 1 team of 1 x 12yr & 1 x 11yr competitor - not 3 teams of 1 x 12yr & 1 x 11yr.
- Qualified Cadets (12 and 13 year olds who have gained their Surf Life Saving Certificate Award) can only compete at one carnival per day – either the Senior Carnival or the Junior Surf Carnival – not both.
- Competitor Numbers – all competitors must have a number before competing. This must be written on both lower legs. Numbers will be obtained from Surf Life Saving Canterbury through your Junior Surf Coordinator.
- Age Groups – the minimum age for competing is 7 years old. For the purpose of determining your age group, your age at midnight on 30 September 2007 will determine your age group for the season. 6 year olds that turn 7 years old during the season may compete after their 7th birthday.
- Uniforms – standards will be strictly enforced as per the SLSNZ Junior Surf Manual. This also includes no wearing of board shorts.
- Composite Teams (ie. teams made up of different clubs) – will be allowed for general carnivals only, but will not be eligible for placings/points. Composite Beach Relay teams will not wear caps.
- Mixed Gender Teams – Girls may compete in boys events at general carnivals only. For Beach Relays the team must contain at least two boys.
- 9 year old board events – 9 year olds may use either a boogie board or a paddle board. If a 9 year old is using a paddle board they must have their 200m badge, which must be displayed on their cap or togs.



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- Wetsuits - wetsuits can be worn by all competitors before Christmas. After Christmas only 7-9 year olds can wear them, notwithstanding the ability to make a decision on the day at the Managers Meeting. This also includes titanium tops.
- 200m badges. All 10 year olds and up must have a 200m badge. This must be clearly displayed on your club cap or togs.