

## **TEAM SELECTION POLICIES:**

### **SURF NATIONALS:**

The Surf Life Saving National Championship team will be selected by: the club coaching/competitions coordinator, the club coaches and the club captain. The final team selection will be authorised by the club president, and will be announced the week after the Southern Regional Championships.

Members will be considered for selection if they have fulfilled three criteria:

-Members must have completed a minimum of 18 hours on patrol

-Members must have shown a commitment to training throughout the season

-Members will preferably have top 3 placings at the Southern Regional Champs or the last district competition prior to Nationals.

Members may be selected who do not fit all three of the above criteria to make up team events at the selectors discretion.

If team places are limited, priority will go to members with the best results throughout the season and with the best training attendance record, thirdly to members that have helped out in other areas of the club.

A code of conduct form must be signed before travelling with the team and adhered to during the trip.

All subsidies and outstanding money for club merchandise etc must be paid prior to departure to the Nationals.

The cost of travel and accommodation for the National Championships must also be paid prior to departure.

\*The same criteria will apply to selection for the IRB National Championships.

### **OTHER EVENTS:**

#### **Kesteven Cup Day and Surf League events:**

These teams will be selected by: the club coaching/competitions coordinator, the club coaches, and the club captain.

Decisions will be based upon performance at competitions leading up to these events; training attendance and dedication; best combinations/partnerships.

If two athletes are of equal rank, a race-off will be organised by the coaching/competitions coordinator. The result of that race will be final.

Regional Patrol Competition; Rookie Teams Challenge; and Rookie of the Year:

These teams/individual (Rookie of the Year) will be selected by: the Club Captain and the Club Patrol Coordinator, and in the case of the Rookie competitions, the Rookie Coordinator and the Rookie mentors.

Selection will be based on patrol proficiency, patrol hours, first aid qualifications, swimming, running, board paddling and IRBdriving/crewing ability.

Trials for these teams may be held at the discretion of the Club Captain, Club Patrol Coordinator, and the Rookie Coordinator.

**NZ OCEAN ATHLETE:**

The New Zealand Ocean Athlete Championship team will be selected by: the club coaching/competitions coordinator, the junior surf coordinator, and the club coaches. The final team selection will be authorised by the club president. The team will be named no later than one month prior to the event.

To be eligible for selection, members must be aged between 10-13 years of age at 30<sup>th</sup> September of that season.

Team selection will be based on potential and skill shown at training sessions, and performances in carnivals over the season. Specifically, performances at the following carnivals will be used for team selection:

Junior Surf Carnivals  
District Competitions

**RELAY TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Relay team selection for the Surf Nationals, Southern Regional Champs, and NZ Ocean Athlete, will be decided by the club coaching/competitions coordinator, the club coaches, and the Club Captain. In the case of the NZ Ocean Athlete, the junior surf coordinator will also be a selector. The above selectors may jointly make changes to the relay team on the day due to surf conditions, race clashes, athlete fatigue/illness/injury, or in the rare case of bad behaviour.

Athletes may be asked for their opinion, however they will NOT be directly involved in selecting the team.

Selection will be based on the results from ALL competitions, prior to the event. If a decision cannot be made between two athletes of similar rank, a race-off will be organised by the coaching/competitions coordinator. The result of that race will be final. If this is not suitable due to timing reasons, the best last performance from each will be the decider.

In the case of athletes racing up an age group, they must first participate in their own age group relay prior to considering taking part in the older age group.