



3.2 – Intra-Club Competition

1. Introduction

This policy will assist in ensuring that Club Members are aware of intra club competition procedures, including entry criteria and water safety requirements.

This policy aligns with SLSA policies – Policy 1.01 Water Safety and Policy 6.09 Risk Management – available at www.sls.com.au.

2. Objectives

The objectives of this document are to;

- Ensure that Club members are aware of intra club competition requirements.
- Ensure that events are held with sufficient water safety as required having due regard to the prevailing conditions and the number of competitors.

3. Points Races

- 3.1 All members are encouraged to participate in club points and trophy races. All members participating in intra club events must be financial at the time of the event. All fees become due at the AGM.
- 3.2 Points will be allocated in all swimming events, including trophy swimming races, but excluding marathons.
- 3.3 Members swimming in Club Swim events must be current financial SLSA members and have signed any required waivers and the relevant event attendance sheet.
- 3.4 The Club Captain (or their delegate) is responsible for:
 - 3.5.1 Ensuring appropriate water safety is provided for the event.
 - 3.5.2 Before commencement of the activity, the Event Coordinator and/or Club Captain (or their delegate) will brief participants and water safety personnel on the conditions likely to be encountered during the activity.
- 3.5 Participants are to inform the Event Coordinator of any pre-existing ailments that may impact on their participation.
- 3.6 Participants are required to wear an SLSA approved high visibility rash vest/swim cap in accordance with approved specifications when involved in water based intra-Club competition events e.g. swims, marathons, Club championships. Event participants entering the water without the required high visibility attire will not be deemed as compliant with the event requirements/rules and therefore not allocated points or trophies in accordance with the competition.
- 3.7 Appropriate first aid equipment will be readily accessible and available for use.



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- 3.7 In the event of conditions/swim course being deemed unsafe by the Club Captain (or their delegate) in their absolute discretion, the event may be reduced to a shorter/safer course, relocated or cancelled. The Club Captain (or their delegate) will make the final determination considering risk, water safety provision and prevailing conditions on the day.



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- 3.8 In the event of cancellation of the event no points will be allocated to participants in attendance.
- 3.9 To assist with the identification of participants during the event the Club recommends that participants wear the relevant SLSC high visibility singlet and/or swim cap as required.

4. Club Trophies

- 4.1 Any member suspended during the season shall lose all rights to any trophies won during that season
- 4.2 Any member in arrears on patrol hours at the conclusion of the season shall lose all rights to any trophies won during that season.
- 4.3 Any member not financial after the AGM will not be eligible to take part in intra club events or for points that may be gained in the time between the most recent AGM and rejoining.