

## Circular

<b>Title:</b>	<b><u>2018 SUNSMART SHORT BOARD RIDING CHAMPIONSHIPS</u></b>
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<b>Summary:</b>	This document outlines entry details for the 2018 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships which will be held at Secret Harbour on Saturday 6 October 2018.
<b>Action:</b>	Clubs are to note event date and competitive conditions for the 2018 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships events.

### EVENT DATE AND LOCATION

The 2018 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships will be held at Secret Harbour on Saturday 6 October 2018 for Nipper (U13 only), Senior and Masters competitors. Marshalling will take place from 7.00am to 7.30am on the morning of the championships.

### LIST OF EVENTS

Note: A minimum of three competitors from two clubs is required to constitute an event.

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| 1. Open Male Short Board Riding   | 10. U14 Female Short Board Riding       |
| 2. Open Female Short Board Riding | 11. U13 Male Short Board Riding         |
| 3. U19 Male Short Board Riding    | 12. U13 Female Short Board Riding       |
| 4. U19 Female Short Board Riding  | 13. Open Mixed Short Board Teams Riding |
| 5. U17 Male Short Board Riding    | 14. 30-39 yrs Female Short Board Riding |
| 6. U17 Female Short Board Riding  | 15. 30-39 yrs Male Short Board Riding   |
| 7. U15 Male Short Board Riding    | 16. 40-49 yrs Male Short Board Riding   |
| 8. U15 Female Short Board Riding  | 17. 40-49 yrs Female Short Board Riding |
| 9. U14 Male Short Board Riding    | 18. 50 yrs & over Short Board Riding    |

### ENTRY FEES

- \$40 per competitor. This entry fee covers the 2018 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships only.
- Clubs will be invoiced accordingly for entry fees at the conclusion of this event.
- Entry fees are non-refundable if members do not take part in these Championships or if events are subsequently cancelled after commencement of the Championships.

### SAFETY BRIEFING

A safety briefing will take place at 7.45am on the morning of the event central to the competition arenas on the beach.

### ENTRY CONDITIONS

- Entries will be on-line via [www.mybeach.com.au](http://www.mybeach.com.au) → Members → Surf Sports → Entries
- Entries will close 5pm Monday 1 October 2018.
- **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Heat draws will be created from the entries system after close of entries.
- Entry conditions, proficiency and patrol hour requirements will be as per SLSA Policy 5.04 Competition Eligibility and the SLSA Surf Sports Manual (35<sup>th</sup> Edition) plus its amendments. The patrol hour

requirement will use the 2017/2018 calendar hours performed, or on a pro-rata basis as defined in the policy (U13 and U14 age competitors do not have a patrol hour requirement).

- Age categories for these championships are taken as of 30 September 2018.
- U13 competitors must possess the U13 preliminary and competition skills evaluations. U14 and U15 competitors must possess the SRC as a minimum. U17, U19, Open and Masters competitors must possess the Bronze Medallion as a minimum.
- Competitors who fail to marshal at 7.00 to 7.30am at Secret Harbour SLSC on the day of competition shall not be eligible to compete.
- Event rounds, excluding team events, may not be held up for competitors who compete in more than one event category.

## JUDGES

The Championship Referee **Neil Bowie**, in conjunction with SLSWA Surf Sports staff, will appoint judges to the heats and finals. In addition to judges, assistance is required with competitor marshalling and timekeeping. If you can assist, please contact Jason Wright at [jwright@sllswa.com.au](mailto:jwright@sllswa.com.au).

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Board riding judging criteria will be as per A.S.A short board judging criteria i.e. A surfer must execute the most radical controlled maneuver in the critical section of the wave with speed and power throughout. The surfer who executes such maneuvers on the biggest and/or best waves for the longest functional distance shall be deemed the winner.
2. All heats will be controlled through signal flags:
  - Green Flag - Heat is in progress,
  - Orange Flag - Heat has 5 minutes to go,
  - Red Flag - Heat is finished
3. All heats will be water/wet starts.
4. Competitors will report to the Arena Marshall 10 minutes prior to the start of their heat to collect a competition vest.
5. Competitors can paddle out (off beach) when orange flag is raised (5 minutes to go flags) and remain clear of the competitors in the water.
6. Competitors can paddle into competition area when red flag is raised and be prepared to commence competition when the green flag is subsequently raised.
7. Competitors, upon completion of their heat, must return to the beach in a kneeling/prone position so as not to be confused with the competitors in the next heat.
8. Competitors are requested to return their competition vests to the Arena Marshall immediately upon return to the beach.
9. Three (3) competitors will progress from 6 or 5 person heats  
Two (2) competitors will progress from 4 person heats  
Please Note – ratios for progression may be altered by the Championship Referee prior to or on the day of competition.

Interference/ fouling will be called in ALL circumstances and the interference rules and requirements will be explained and emphasised at the competitors briefing.

## BOARD TEAMS RIDING

1. Teams shall consist of four members who shall be marshaled as a team and only 1 team per competing club can be entered. Additional club teams may be added at the discretion of the Referee.

2. Each team competitor must commence their section of the event from the allocated beach or water start line as determined by the Referee.
3. The team member's order of competing in the event cannot be changed following team marshaling. Additionally no substitutions can be made once the event has commenced.
4. Each team member can catch a maximum of three waves, a change to this may occur depending on unfavorable surf conditions.
5. The Referee will determine the length of the heats and finals and advise competitors at the briefing.
6. Each wave ridden (or claimed) shall be scored out of 10 as per the normal conditions of board riding competition.
7. Each team will nominate one 'power' surfer who will have all 3 waves counted into the team score. The order of this competitor is at the discretion of the team and nominated at time of marshaling.
8. Each of the other three team members must nominate two of the three waves ridden as counting for the team score. **This is indicated by the competitor raising both their hands above their head prior to paddling out again for the next wave**, or if the competitor has completed their 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> wave and is returning to the beach. When the competitor has nominated two waves they must return to the beach and make contact (visibly tag) the next team member.
9. Stand up surfing for a team member returning to the beach to tag the next member is not permitted. They must return to the beach in a kneeling/prone position.
10. On receiving the release 'tag' on the designated start line or in the designated zone, the next competitor, who is waiting with their board, will proceed to sea and carry out the next leg of the event.
11. The final result is the team with the highest points achieved in the nominated time or 60 minutes.
12. Penalties will apply as follows:
  - a. Team members compete out of turn – loss of 5 points
  - b. Competitor catches more than the allocated wave limit – loss of 5 points
  - c. Riding interference to another competitor – zero score for that wave
  - d. Paddling interference/other interference – loss of lowest nominated scoring ride
  - e. Team fails to catch eleven wave limit within allocated time – loss of 5 points

## MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of championship medallions will be held on the beach as each event has concluded.

## POINT SCORE

As outlined in circular 2, 2018/2019, SLSWA has revised the point scores for Championship events. From 2018 Clubs will compete for the SunSmart WA Board Riding Championship. This incorporates all results from short board and long board categories from all applicable age groups (nippers to masters).

With the SunSmart Long Board Championships events being cancelled this year the Champion Club - SunSmart WA Board Riding Championship will be based on the results from the 2018 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships.

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