



**CITY OF BUNBURY
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.
POLICY STATEMENT
PATROL POLICY**

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1. INTRODUCTION

Life Saving Patrols and Water Safety services form a large section of the club's objectives. It's our core function. This policy will assist in ensuring members are aware of their patrol requirements.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objective of this policy is to ensure all patrolling members are aware of their roles and responsibilities.

3. POLICY

- 3.1** Life Saving Patrols and Water Safety services shall be conducted in accordance with SLSWA and SLSA policies, regulations and manuals.
- 3.2** Patrol and hours of duty will be as agreed between the City of Bunbury Surf Life Saving Club and SLSWA and the City of Bunbury Council.
- 3.3** If warranted by surf conditions a senior officer of the club may convene a patrol at any time other than as specified in the Patrol Contract. Such a patrol shall meet the operational requirements of the club's Life Saving Agreement.
- 3.4** All qualified Active, Active Reserve and Cadet members shall be rostered for patrol duty.
- 3.5** All rostered members need to complete their rostered patrol requirements during a season.
- 3.6** Any member not completing their patrol requirements may have their membership reviewed by the Board of Management.
- 3.7** Patrol members shall report to the Patrol Captain fifteen (15) minutes prior to the commencement of patrol duty.
- 3.8** A member of the patrol may not leave the patrol area without the permission of the Patrol Captain.



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- 3.9** Active Reserve members are required to perform four (4) complete patrols during the current season. Two of these patrols shall be prior to the New Year and two patrols shall be completed after the start of the New Year in the current season.
- 3.10** Any member with justifiable reason who is unable to attend a rostered patrol must notify the Patrol Captain no later than 48 hours prior to the start of the patrol and advise their proxy for that rostered patrol. It is the responsibility of each patrol member to arrange a proxy of equal status when unable to attend a rostered patrol.
- 3.11** Patrol members who fail to attend, or arrive late, for a rostered patrol without giving prior notice or arranging a proxy will be “Hours Down”.
- 3.12** Members who become twelve (12) “Hours Down” or more may be suspended from the club. Members so suspended may appeal against such suspension to the Board of Management.
- 3.13** Members making up hours must do so at either the start or end of a rostered patrol so as to assist in the setting up and / or packing up of patrol gear.
- 3.14** Any member “Hours Down” at the end of the season may lose all club trophies won during the season.