



SURF LIFE SAVING®
NEW ZEALAND

Competition Entry Circular

Southern Region Junior Championships
Warrington Beach, February 13-14 2021



ENTRY INFORMATION

Competition Purpose:

Southern Region Junior Championships is the largest junior competition in the region. Spanning over two days this event will see our future lifeguards of the region participate in an action packed weekend where they can test their skills in both water and land activities against other like-minded youth from the region. Make sure to bring the family down for an enjoyable weekend out!

Events like these are for U8-U14 athletes;

- To learn the skills required to gain the Surf Lifeguard Award.
- To provide the best possible life saving experience for all juniors with the view to encouraging long-term active participation.
- To provide opportunities for juniors to actively participate in and enjoy life saving and competition in an aquatic environment.
- To ensure our junior member are safe on New Zealand's beaches through building knowledge and experiences in the Junior Surf Programme.
- To develop a team based philosophy encompassing leadership, camaraderie, teamwork, and fun.
- To promote social, emotional and physical growth and development in a healthy and safe environment.

This document provides you with all the information you need to know in order to enter this event. While it contains the typical logistical information surrounding the event, it also incorporates very important details that a parent and/or guardian must be aware of before entering their child into this event.

Entering Our Competition:

Entries may be made using the SLSNZ Online Event Entry System. Your club has access to this system and will process your entries. Following the close of entry as detailed below entry fees will be invoiced directly to your club for payment prior to the competition.

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| Entries Open: | Monday 25 th January 2021 |
| Entries Close: | Friday 5 th February 2021 11:00am |
| Entry Fee: | \$35.00 inclusive of GST |
| Eligibility of Competitors: | Please see Section 2.2 of the SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual for a comprehensive breakdown of eligibility criteria. |

Know Your Rules:

This event will be conducted under the rules contained in the following documents.

[SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual](#), including any additional amendments as detailed on the website and any additional requirements as communicated by the Event Management Committee. Please note that the Manual has recently been updated to the 9th Edition (V3).

Additionally members entering this event are bound by the following rules:

- [SLSNZ Constitution](#)
- [SLSNZ Regulations](#)
- [SLSNZ Code of Conduct](#) (Note: The Event Management Committee reserve the right to exclude competitors from further competition for poor or 'un-sportsman like' behaviour. This also applies to parents, managers and supporters)
- [Drug Free Sport New Zealand](#)
- [SLSNZ Sport Policies](#)

Copies of these documents are available from the SLSNZ website.

Paddle Board Sizes 6.7:

| Division | Description | Length | Weight |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------|
| All Age Groups | Body boards | 70cm Min (27") | NA |
| All Age Groups | Nipper Board (soft) | 2.1m Max (6'6") | NA |
| Under 10 Under 11 Under 12 | Cadet Board | 2.7m Max (8'10") | 4.5kg |
| Under 13 to Open | Composite Board | 3.2m Max (10'6") | 7.6kg |

Age Groups:

Age group is determined by the competitor's age at midnight on 30th September 2021. For example, if you were 9 on the 30th September 2020, you are not eligible to compete in the Under 9 divisions.

Mixed Age Group Races

The following events are made up of combined age groups.

- Board Relay (U11/U12 combined & U13/U14 combined)
- Mixed Beach Relay (U11/U12 combined & U13/U14 Combined)
- Cameron Relay (U11/U12 combined & U13/U14 Combined)

Mixed Gender Races

The following event is made up of an event split of male and female athletes at all times.

- Mixed Beach Relay (2 males, 2 females)

Team Substitutes:

All team substitutes must be registered in some capacity in the competition. This is to ensure compliance with event entry eligibility requirements.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Events

The following events and divisions will be held at the competition (listed in no particular order).

| Individual Events: | Age Group: | Gender: |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Beach Sprint (50m) | U8, U9 and U10 | Male and Female |
| Beach Sprint (70m) | U11, U12, U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Beach Flags (10m) | U8, U9 and U10 | Male and Female |
| Beach Flags (15m) | U11, U12, U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Run Wade Run | U8 and U9 | Male and Female |
| Run Swim Run | U10, U11, U12, U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Surf Race | U10, U11, U12, U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Body Board Race | U8 | Male and Female |
| Board Race (6'6" Foam) | U9 | Male and Female |
| Board Race (8'10" Size) | U10, U11 and U12 | Male and Female |
| Board Race (10'6" Size) | U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Diamond Race | U8, U9, U10, U11, U12, U13 and U14 | Male and Female |
| Team Events: | Age Group: | Gender: |
| Beach Relay | U8, U9, U10, U11/U12 and U13/U14 | Mixed (2M, 2F) |
| 2km Beach Relay | One U11, One U12, One U13, One U14 | Mixed (2M, 2F) |
| Body Board Relay | U8 | Male and Female |
| Board Relay | U9, U10, U11/U12 and U13/U14 | Male and Female |
| Cameron Relay | U8, U9, U10, U11/U12 and U13/U14 | Male and Female |
| Board Rescue | U13/U14 | Male and Female |
| Tube Rescue | U13/U14 | Male and Female |

The Draft Programme can be found below. Please note that the Draft Programme is subject to change due to a dependence upon the number of entries and surf/weather conditions.

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| Warm Up Start Time: | 8:00am |
| Marshalling Start Time: | 8:45am |
| Start Time: | 9:00am |
| High Tide: | 4:57am |
| Low Tide: | 11:10am |

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Warm Up Start Time: 8:00am
 Marshalling Start Time: 8:30am
 Start Time: 8:40am
 High Tide: 5:41am
 Low Tide: 11:54am

| 2km Beach Relay | |
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| 8:40am start | |
| U11-U14 Mixed 2km Beach Relay (800m, 600m, 400m, 200m) | |
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| U13/U14 Arena | U12 Arena |
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| U14 Mens Diamond | U12 Mens Surf Race |
| U14 Womens Diamond | U12 Womens Surf Race |
| U13 Mens Diamond | U11 Mens Surf Race |
| U13 Womens Diamond | U11 Womens Surf Race |
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| U14 Mens Board Relay | U12 Mens Board Relay |
| U14 Womens Board Relay | U12 Womens Board Relay |
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| U14 Mens Cameron Relay | U12 Mens Cameron Relay |
| U14 Womens Cameron Relay | U12 Womens Cameron Relay |
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| 70m Beach Sprint Arena | |
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| U12 Mens Beach Sprint | |
| U12 Womens Beach Sprint | |
| U11 Mens Beach Sprint | |
| U11 Womens Beach Sprint | |
| U11/12 Mixed Beach Relay | |
| U14 Mens Beach Sprint | |
| U14 Womens Beach Sprint | |
| U13 Mens Beach Sprint | |
| U13 Womens Beach Sprint | |
| U13/14 Mixed Beach Relay | |



COMPETITION COMMUNICATION

Communications:

Event Management utilise a variety of tools to keep you updated with the latest event information and news. These include:

- [The SLSNZ Website](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [Live Results](#)

Please note that the [SLSNZ | Southern Region](#) Facebook will provide the latest event information at all times.

Important Times:

Saturday 13 February 2021

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| Warm Up Start Time: | 8:00am |
| Team Managers Meeting: | 8:20am |
| Officials Briefing: | 8:30am |
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Event Photography:

If you are wishing to take photos at our competition then please read the [Media Accreditation Application Information here](#) and apply for access into competition arenas. Please note Use of Cameras and Video devices rules are covered under [2.25 in the Surf Sports Competition Manual](#).

Key Contact:

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact Luke.

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COMPETITION SAFETY INFORMATION

Competition Safety Plan:

The Competition Safety Plan will be made available through the website [here](#) prior to the event commencing. The document is also available for viewing in the Event Management Area during the event.

Parent, Guardian, Coach, Team Manager and Club Obligations

It is the responsibility of clubs, through their coaches and manager, to ensure that each individual competitor is competent to safely compete in the conditions that prevail on any given day.

It is therefore the clubs responsibility to ensure that competitors who are not yet competent to compete in the prevailing conditions are withdrawn from an event rather than expose them to unnecessary risk or potential harm by encouraging or coercing competitors to compete, particularly against their will. Please refer to statement (e) of the Agreement to be bound by the Manual section of the Surf Sports Competition Manual. The Manual can be found [here](#).

It is the expectation of the organisers that all clubs will only permit competent competitors to compete in an event.

Dune and Environment Protection

As per all our events dune and environment protection is the responsibility of everyone and as Surf Life Saving members please make sure you look after our beaches and sand dunes. If you see anyone walking through the dunes or placing equipment in areas they shouldn't be please advise them to remove it or inform event management. Please make sure all rubbish is placed in the bins supplied or taking with you.

Missing Person at Sea Responsibilities

Whether you are an Athlete, Official, In an IRB, Team Manager/Coach or a spectator, we all have a role to perform if someone goes missing in the water during an event or activity. Check out your role and how you may help in this situation by [clicking here](#).

Equipment:

Equipment Labelling

All equipment needs to be clearly labelled with the club for which the athlete/s is racing for. It is recommended that this be placed on an easily identifiable area i.e. the front/centre of the board, between the two straps.

Wetsuits

Wetsuits, or other foam type outer garments, shall be permitted in the case of events only in water of 16 degree Celsius or less. The Referee may authorise the wearing of wetsuits dependent upon weather, water or marine conditions. Wetsuits are subject to random scrutineering. Wetsuits can be used up to a maximum of 5mm with a tolerance of +/-0.5mm.

Scrutineering

Random scrutineering may take place at the discretion of officials, with particular regard to craft and/or equipment that may pose a health and safety concerns. With consideration to the above,

we encourage all participants to carry out an inspection of their equipment for sharp edges that could cut in advance of the competition.

Competition Safety Vests

The wearing of high visibility vests will be mandatory at this event. Supplying safety vests is a club responsibility and must be in line with the SLSNZ guidelines for safety vests. This information can be found in the Equipment Specification Manual [here](#).

Medical Information:

Pre-Existing Medical Conditions

All participants and officials with a pre-existing medical condition must complete and submit a 'Pre-Existing Medical Conditions Declaration' form prior to the close of entries. These forms are to be submitted to the Event Assistant (Scott Bicknell) by email to scott@bicknellconsultants.com. However, participants are encouraged to submit these as early as possible. Once submitted, the forms will be reviewed by SLSNZ and a decision will be made on whether a 'Competitor Waiver' form is required to be completed.

It is important to note that that a pre-existing medical condition includes a **concussion event** that has occurred prior to this event.

These forms are available through the website [here](#).

Concussion Protocol

1. Any person diagnosed with concussion within the 23 days (21 days for over 19 yrs) preceding a SLSNZ event or activity, who is not able to provide evidence of a Graduated Return to Play (GRTP), and provide a medical diagnosis and SLSNZ Medical Clearance, will not be permitted to compete in a SLSNZ event.
2. Any person observed or reported to have been unconscious during a SLS event is not permitted to participate in any further SLS event or activity, pending participation in a 23 day GRTP (21 days for over 19 yrs), and provide a SLSNZ Medical Clearance before further competition is permitted.
3. Any person suspected of a concussion during a SLSNZ competition may not participate in any further races for at least 24 hours, and must provide SLSNZ with the required SLSNZ Medical Clearance before further participation is permitted.
4. Any person suspected or diagnosed with concussion who wishes to return to a SLSNZ competition must provide SLSNZ with a copy of a SLSNZ Medical Clearance, which is to be completed by a medical practitioner, prior to returning to competition.

COMPETITION SITE MAPS

Competition Arenas:

Please note that the Site Plan is subject to change due to a dependence upon the number of entries and surf/weather conditions.

