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Appendix 1

Local/Regional and Nationally Aligned Awards 2024

Local/Regional and Nationally Aligned Awards

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Surf Lifeguard of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards. DHL is the Local Area, Regional and National Sponsor of this award.
Description	<p>This is awarded to an outstanding volunteer for their work as an all-round volunteer surf lifeguard over the past year, with a focus on all aspects of surf lifeguarding. This is to recognise outstanding volunteer work for a key portion of our volunteer workforce who patrol and contribute to lifeguarding beaches across Aotearoa.</p> <p>Nominees for Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year should be seen as role models for other surf lifeguards in terms of the execution of their skills, capabilities, credibility, leadership, and behavior.</p> <p>A member who is a paid lifeguard can be nominated for this award. Still, only their contributions as volunteer surf lifeguards over the past year will be considered.</p> <p>Contributions to search and rescue, instructing, and examining are not part of this award; other awards will cover these areas.</p> <p>Nominees must be a member of Surf Life Saving New Zealand.</p>
Nominators	Clubs to nominate one member.
Nominations deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence. Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Lifesaving Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence. National Lifesaving Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner. National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Surf Lifeguard of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name Member number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize their own health and safety and that of others in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they always treat other Surf Lifesaving members and staff respectfully? (Explain 100 words max)
Communication (10 points)	Does the nominee maintain effective communications with beachgoers, lifeguards, other volunteers, other agencies, SurfCom, and SLSNZ staff in the execution of their duties? (Explain 100 words max)
Preventative Actions (10 points)	Does the nominee identify and execute preventative actions? (Explain 100 words max)
Incidents (10 points)	How does the nominee positively contribute to incident responses, what incident responses were they involved in, and what was their role in these incidents? (Explain 100 words max)
Self Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee's lifeguarding skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others? (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (20 points)	What patrol roles and responsibilities did the nominee complete, and what did they achieve in executing these? What makes them stand out from other surf lifeguards at your club? (Explain 200 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information? (Explain 100 words max)



U19 Surf Lifeguard of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and • National Awards of Excellence. • Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	<p>This is awarded to an outstanding volunteer under 19 years old for their work as an all-round volunteer surf lifeguard over the past year, with a focus on all aspects of surf lifeguarding. This is to recognise outstanding volunteer work for a key portion of our volunteer workforce who patrol and contribute to lifeguarding beaches across Aotearoa.</p> <p>Nominees for U19 Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year should be seen as role models for other surf lifeguards in terms of the execution of their skills, capabilities, credibility, leadership, and behavior.</p> <p>A member who is a paid lifeguard can be nominated for this award. Still, only their contributions as a volunteer surf lifeguard over the past year should be included in the nomination and only their volunteer contributions will be considered in judging.</p> <p>Contributions to search and rescue, instructing, and examining are not part of this award; other awards will cover these areas.</p> <p>A U19 Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year nominee can also be nominated for Surf Lifeguard of the Year, but separate nominations must be submitted for each award.</p>
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	<p>All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.</p>
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence. • Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Lifesaving Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence. • National Lifesaving Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner. • National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



U19 Surf Lifeguard of the Year – Judging Criteria

Age Limit	Nominees for U19 Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year must be under 19 years of age as of 1 October (aligned with the Surf Sport age grouping).
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name Member number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for U19 Volunteer Surf Lifeguard of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize their own health and safety and that of others in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they always treat other Surf Lifesaving members and staff respectfully? (Explain 100 words max)
Communication (10 points)	Does the nominee maintain effective communications with beachgoers, lifeguards, other volunteers, other agencies, SurfCom, and SLSNZ staff in the execution of their duties? (Explain 100 words max)
Preventative Actions (10 points)	Does the nominee identify and execute preventative actions? (Explain 100 words max)
Incidents (10 points)	How does the nominee positively contribute to incident responses, what incident responses were they involved in, and what was their role in these incidents? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee's lifeguarding skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others? (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (20 points)	What patrol roles and responsibilities did the nominee complete, and what did they achieve in executing these? What makes them stand out from other U19 surf lifeguards at your club? (Explain 200 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Patrol Support of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence.• Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to an outstanding volunteer for their work as Patrol Support at their club over the past year. This is to recognise a section of our membership who may not meet all the physical requirements to qualify as a surf lifeguard but can still contribute to lifesaving operations at their club.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Lifesaving Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Lifesaving Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Patrol Support of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name Member number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Patrol Support of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize their own health and safety and that of others in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they always treat other members and SLSNZ staff with respect? (Explain 100 words max)
Communication (10 points)	Does the nominee maintain effective communications with beachgoers, lifeguards, other volunteers, other agencies, and SLSNZ staff in the execution of their duties? (Explain 100 words max)
Preventative Actions (10 points)	Does the nominee identify and execute preventative actions? (Explain 100 words max)
Incidents (10 points)	How does the nominee positively contribute to incident responses, what incident responses were they involved in, and what was their role in these incidents? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee's patrol support skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others? (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (20 points)	What patrol roles and responsibilities did the nominee complete, and what did they achieve in executing these? What makes them stand out from others in the execution of their duties? (200 words)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Search and Rescue Contribution of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence.• Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.• bp is the Local Area, Regional and National Sponsor of this award.
Description	This is awarded to an outstanding volunteer for contributing to search and rescue (SAR) over the past year. This is to recognise those in Surf Life Saving who volunteer to be on-call in SAR squads across the country or those who perform a crucial role in the organisation and management of these squads.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Lifesaving Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Lifesaving Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Search and Rescue Contribution of the Year – Judging Criteria

Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Member number • Current club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Search and Rescue Contribution of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize their own health and safety and that of others in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they always treat other members and SLSNZ staff with respect? (Explain 100 words max)
SAR Roles (10 points)	What SAR roles did the nominee hold in the past year? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee's SAR skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Incidents (10 points)	What SAR incidents was the nominee involved in, and what was their role in these incidents? (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (30 points)	What has the nominee done to upskill, train, support or educate other SAR volunteers, and what impact has this had at your club, SAR squad, regionally or nationally? What makes them stand out from others? (Explain 300 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Powercraft Contribution of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence.• Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.• bp is the Local Area, Regional and National Sponsor of this award.
Description	This is awarded to an outstanding volunteer for contributing to powercraft (IRBs and RWCs) over the past year. This is to recognise those in Surf Life Saving who volunteer to upskill, train and educate other members so that surf lifeguards can effectively maintain and use these surf rescue assets in their daily operations and SAR activities.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Powercraft Advisory Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Powercraft Advisory Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Powercraft Contribution of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Member number • Current club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Powercraft Contribution of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves and others in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they always treat other members and SLSNZ staff with respect? (Explain 100 words max)
Powercraft Roles (10 points)	What Powercraft roles did the nominee hold in the past year? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others? (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (50 points)	What has the nominee done to upskill, train, or educate other members so that IRB and RWC surf rescue assets can be effectively maintained and used by surf lifeguards in their daily lifesaving operations and SAR activities, and what impact has this had at your club, regionally or nationally? What makes them stand out from others? (Explain 300 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Rescue of the Month/Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards. bp is the Local Area, Regional and National Sponsor of this award.
Description	This is awarded to members who have performed an outstanding rescue over the past year, displaying operational excellence in executing their skills and training during a rescue. This can include surf lifeguards and others who have participated in a rescue incident.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate members for Rescue of the Month. There will be five monthly awards each season – winter/November, December, January, February, March, and April. Clubs can submit one nomination per incident response but can nominate members multiple times per season if they have been involved in multiple incidents that are nominated.
Nominations deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter/November 2023 – 9 am, Friday 15 December 2023 December 2023 – 9 am Monday 8 January 2024 January 2024 – 9 am Wednesday 7 February 2024 February 2024 – 9 am Thursday 7 March 2024 March 2024 – 9 am Monday 8 April 2024 April 2024 – 9 am Monday 6 May 2024
How to Nominate	<p>The online form will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.</p> <p>Judges will also consider the information in the related Patrol and Incident Report forms for each nomination and may also consider other relevant information such as Critical Incident Debrief Notes. All judges will use the same information to judge these awards.</p>
Judged by	<p>The Rescue of the Month judging panel will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Lifesaving Committee; <p>This judging panel will score the nominations each month. Those scores will be used to determine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monthly Regional winners – one per region; Annual Local Area/Regional winners – one per local area; Regional winners or Regional finalists for the National Awards of Excellence – one per region; and Rescue of the Year winner at the National Awards of Excellence.



Rescue of the Month/Year – Judging Criteria

Nominee Details	<p>Please provide the names and member numbers of all surf lifeguards involved in this incident response.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name(s) • Member number(s) • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Incident Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date • Time • Location • CRM incident number
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
<p>For all sections below, only include relevant information.</p>	
<p>Overview - Tell us why you believe these surf lifeguards deserve recognition for this rescue. (Explain 100 words max).</p>	
<p>The judges will assess winners from the information supplied via the online nomination form and any other relevant information, such as Incident Reports and Operational Risk Assessments (ORA). Other supplementary information may also be provided.</p>	
<p>What conditions were the surf lifeguards operating in - e.g., time of day, sea conditions, weather conditions, location, hazards, crowds? (200 words max). Please attach the ORA if possible.</p>	
<p>Application of skills and training by surf lifeguards (50 points, 300 words max)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did the rescue involve advanced/technical skills (e.g., operating in a difficult surf environment)? • How did the surf lifeguards execute their training and skills, and how was this best practice? • What equipment was used, and was it utilised appropriately? • Were communications between surf lifeguards and other agencies clear? • How many patients were involved, and what was their condition? • What First Aid skills were utilised? • Was there a liaison with other agencies? • Scene management and leadership. • Evidence of health and safety present in the incident response. 	
<p>Execution of surf lifesaving procedures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incident Report completed (10 points) • ORA completed (if practical), otherwise evidence of health and safety as above (10 points) • Operational and wellbeing debrief completed and Benestar notified if required (10 points) 	
<p>Outcome</p> <p>What was the outcome and what would the likely outcome have been without this response from surf lifeguards? (20 points, 100 words max)</p>	



Coach of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a coach for an outstanding contribution to surf sports coaching over the past year. This will be open to both paid and volunteer coaches and is to recognise the commitment and dedication to coaching athletes.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Surf Sports Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Surf Sports Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Surf Sports Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Coach of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Member number • Current club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Coach of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves and their athletes in everything they do? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat athletes, officials, other coaches, event volunteers, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor other coaches to raise the standard of coaching at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Other Coaching Roles (10 points)	Has the nominee held any other coaching roles over the past year in addition to their role as a club coach (e.g., SLSNZ representative team coach)? (Explain 100 words max)
Recruitment, Retention, and Development (10 points)	How does the nominee recruit, retain, and develop athletes at your club? Explain how they have made a difference in these areas (i.e., retention rates, development of athletes). (Explain 100 words max)
SLSNZ Representatives (10 points)	How many athletes were selected for SLSNZ representative teams in the past year compared with the previous year? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee's coaching skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Results (20 points)	How has the nominee improved the results of athletes at your club over the past year at regional and national levels? Specify the total gold, silver, and bronze medals won by your club athletes this year compared with the previous year's events? (List, describe explain 200 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Surf Sports Official of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence.• Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer surf sports official for an outstanding contribution to officiating over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication to volunteering at surf sports events in New Zealand as an official so that members can participate in these competitions.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Surf Sports Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Surf Sports Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Surf Sports Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Surf Sports Official of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • SLSNZ Membership Number • Current Club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Surf Sports Official of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize their health and safety, other officials, and competitors? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat other surf sports officials, coaches, competitors, event volunteers, and SLSNZ staff respectfully at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? ((Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor other officials to raise the standard of officiating at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance the nominee’s officiating skills.
Local Area Events (10 points)	Specify events and Surf Sport Official roles at each event.
Regional Events (20 points)	Specify events and Surf Sport Official roles at each event.
National Events (20 points)	Specify events and Surf Sport Official roles at each event.
Other	Any other relevant information?



Surf Sportsperson of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Age Grade Awards	According to the Surf Sports Competition Manual, the eligibility for any age grade awards will be determined according to the age division that the athlete was eligible to compete in.
Description	This is awarded to a surf sports athlete for outstanding and consistent performance over the past year. This is to recognise excellence in surf sports. The person must be from the u15 age category and above.
Prerequisite	It is a prerequisite for this award that the sportsperson must have competed at one or more Regional or National Championship Event for their New Zealand club during the past season.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Surf Sports Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Surf Sports Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Surf Sports Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Surf Sportsperson of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • SLSNZ Membership Number • Current Club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
<p>For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.</p> <p>It is a prerequisite for this award that the sportsperson must have competed at one or more SLSNZ (or SLSNR) Regional or SLSNZ National Events for their New Zealand club during the past season. (Yes/No)</p>	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Sportsperson of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves and other competitors? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Role Modeling (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat other competitors, officials, coaches, event volunteers, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Lifesaving (10 points)	What has been the nominee's lifesaving contribution to your club over the past year? (Explain 100 words max)
National Selection (10 points)	Specify any SLSNZ representative teams the nominee was selected for.
Regional Championship Results (10 points)	Specify individual/team gold medals won at any SLSNZ Regional Championships over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each gold medal won.
National Championship Results (20 points)	Specify individual/team gold medals won at any SLSNZ or Australian National Championships over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each medal won.
International Championship Results (20 points)	Specify individual/team gold medals won at ILS World Championships and other international events over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each gold medal won.
Other	Any other relevant information (eg team results, world records, other events such as World Club Championships, other lifesaving sports events)?



Surf Sports Team of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence (can award this for various age groups, different disciplines, and different genders); and National Awards of Excellence. <p>Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.</p>
Age Grade Awards	According to the Surf Sports Competition Manual, the eligibility for any age grade awards will be determined according to the age division that the team was eligible to compete in.
Description	This is awarded to a surf sports team for outstanding and consistent performance over the past year. This is to recognise excellence in surf sports. A team can have two or more members, i.e., IRB, Double Ski to Open Taplin, Surf Boats; it must be from the u15 age category and above; it cannot be a whole club.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one team for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Area/Regional Surf Sports Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence. Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Surf Sports Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence. National Surf Sports Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner. National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Surf Sports Team of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details (add details for all team members)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Names SLSNZ Membership Numbers Current Club(s) Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
<p>For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.</p> <p>It is a prerequisite for this award that the sports team must have competed at one or more SLSNZ (or SLSNR) Regional or SLSNZ National Events during the past season. (Yes/No)</p>	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Sports Team of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Do the nominees prioritize the health and safety of themselves and other competitors? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Role Modeling (10 points)	Are the nominees positive role models, and do they treat other competitors, officials, coaches, event volunteers, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Do the nominees take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Lifesaving (10 points)	What has been the team's lifesaving contribution to their club(s) over the past year? (Explain 100 words max)
National Selection (10 points)	Specify any SLSNZ representative teams the team was selected for.
Regional Championship Results (10 points)	Specify gold medals won by this team at any SLSNZ Regional Championships over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each gold medal won.
National Championship Results (20 points)	Specify medals won by this team at any SLSNZ or Australian National Championships over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each medal won.
International Championship Results (20 points)	Specify medals won by this team at ILS World Championships and other international events over the past year. Specify the event and discipline for each gold medal won.
Other	Any other relevant information (eg team results, world records, other events such as World Club Championships, other lifesaving sports events)?



Event Safety Contribution of the Year - Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer surf lifeguard for an outstanding contribution to event lifeguarding at events over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication to provide event water safety at events so people can participate in these events.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Surf Sports Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Surf Sports Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Surf Sports Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Event Safety Contribution of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name SLSNZ Membership Number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Event Safety Contribution of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Events Attended (10 points)	SLSNZ events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local: Regional: National: Other events:
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves, other lifeguards, and competitors? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	At events, is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat other lifeguards, competitors, officials, external event staff, event volunteers, and SLSNZ staff respectfully at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Equipment (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of the event-related equipment, use it responsibly, and return it in good condition? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed during event safety contributions, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor others to raise the standard of event safety at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance their event lifeguarding skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Operational Excellence (30 points)	How does the nominee display operational excellence by executing their skills and training to an exceptional standard, identifying and executing preventative actions, and executing lifesaving and first aid skills to a high standard? (Explain 300 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Junior Surf Contribution of the Year – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer for an outstanding contribution to Junior Surf over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication of these volunteers, who play a key role in bringing through the next generation of club members and surf lifeguards.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Honours and Awards Committees (or equivalent): Select Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence winners.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Honours and Awards Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To select the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Junior Surf Contribution of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • SLSNZ Membership Number • Current club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Junior Surf Contribution of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee keep the health and safety of themselves and Junior Surf participants and others a top priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat Junior Surf participants, their whānau, other members, officials, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Communication (10 points)	Does the nominee maintain effective and positive communications with Junior Surf participants, their whānau and other members? (Explain 100 words max)
Quality Experiences (10 points)	Does the nominee create quality experiences for Junior Surf participants to keep them engaged and active in surf lifesaving? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance their Junior Surf contribution. (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (40 points)	What has the nominee done to contribute to educating, engaging, and enriching the lives of Junior Surf participants, their whānau, and the community? What impact has this had at your club, regionally or nationally? What makes them stand out from others? (Explain 400 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Instructor of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer for an outstanding contribution to lifesaving instructing over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication of these volunteers who educate and upskill prospective and current surf lifeguards.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Powercraft Advisory Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Powercraft Advisory Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Instructor of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name SLSNZ Membership Number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
Refreshed Instructor	Is the nominee a refreshed instructor? (Yes/No) Please specify.
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Instructor of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves, other Instructors, candidates, beachgoers, and others? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat candidates, other Instructors, other members, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor other instructors to raise the standard of instructing at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance their instructing skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (50 points)	What has the nominee done to train, educate, teach or instruct members in lifesaving at a club, regional or national level and what impact has this had? What makes them stand out from others? (500 words)
Other	Any other relevant information (eg various Instructor roles performed, qualification/pass rates etc)?



Examiner of the Year – Nomination Information	
Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence. Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer for an outstanding contribution to lifesaving examinations over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication of these volunteers who examine and assess prospective and current surf lifeguard qualifications.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Lifesaving Committees (or equivalent): Select winners for Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Powercraft Advisory Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Powercraft Advisory Committee: To recommend a National Awards of Excellence winner.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To endorse/finalise the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Examiner of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name SLSNZ Membership Number Current club Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Name Club Role Phone Email
Refreshed Examiner	Is the nominee a refreshed examiner? (Yes/No) Please specify.
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is this member being nominated by your club for Examiner of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee prioritize the health and safety of themselves, other Examiners, candidates, beachgoers, and others? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat candidates, other Examiners, other members, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor other examiners to raise the standard of examining at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning, and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance their examining skills. (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (50 points)	What has the nominee done to ensure that members are examined to a high level to ensure the standards and integrity of the Surf Life Saving movement is maintained and what impact has this had regionally or nationally? What makes them stand out from others? (Explain 500 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Volunteer of the Year - Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence; and• National Awards of Excellence.• Valid nominations will be eligible for Local Area/Regional and National Awards.• NZLGB is the Local Area, Regional, and National Sponsor of this award.
Description	This is awarded to a volunteer for an outstanding contribution to the Surf Life Saving movement over the past year. This is to recognise the commitment and dedication of volunteers across the Surf Life Saving movement.
Nominators	Clubs can nominate one member for this award. If more than one nomination is received from a club, all nominations from that club will be deemed invalid, and none will be considered for this award.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Area/Regional Honours and Awards Committees (or equivalent): Select winners of Local Area/Regional Awards of Excellence.• Local Area/Regional winners put forward to the National Honours and Awards Committee to endorse or select the 4 x Regional Finalists to represent the Regions at the National Awards of Excellence.• National Awards and Honours Committee: To select the National Awards of Excellence winner.



Volunteer of the Year – Judging Criteria	
Nominee Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • SLSNZ Member Number • Current Club • Please include a photo for reference and media use
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club • Name • Club Role • Phone • Email
For all sections below, only include information relating to the past year.	
Overview	Why is your club nominating this member for Volunteer of the Year? (Explain 100 words max)
Health and Safety (10 points)	Does the nominee keep the health and safety of themselves and others a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Positive Behaviour (10 points)	Is the nominee a positive role model, and do they treat other members, officials, coaches, competitors, other volunteers, and SLSNZ staff with respect at all times? (Explain 100 words max)
Wellbeing (10 points)	Does the nominee take care of themselves and others to ensure wellbeing is a priority? (Explain 100 words max)
Leadership (10 points)	What leadership has the nominee displayed, how do they carry themselves as a leader or mentor to raise the standard of volunteering at their club, in other clubs, regionally or nationally? (Explain 100 words max)
Development (10 points)	List relevant qualifications gained, training, workshops, online learning and other upskilling completed over the past year to enhance their volunteer contribution. (Explain 100 words max)
Contribution (50 points)	What contribution has the nominee given to the Surf Life Saving movement over the past year and what impact has this had at your club, regionally or nationally? What makes their contribution stand out from other members? (Explain 500 words max)
Other	Any other relevant information?



Innovation Award – Nomination Information

Presented at	<ul style="list-style-type: none">National Awards of Excellence.
Description	<p>This can be awarded to a Surf Lifesaving Club, member, or an organization that has worked with clubs, members, or SLSNZ to develop something unique and innovative that will enhance the capability of the Surf Life Saving movement. This is to recognise the importance of innovation and continuous improvement across the Surf Life Saving movement to help us achieve our high-level vision that “No one drowns at the beach in Aotearoa.”</p> <p>This is not an annual award. This award will only be awarded when there are genuine innovations that the SLSNZ Honours and Awards Committee deems to meet the innovation criteria. More than one innovation award may be presented at the National Awards of Excellence. Conversely, there may be years when no innovation awards are presented because no genuine innovations meet the criteria.</p> <p>Projects, processes, programs, or products are eligible to be nominated. To be a genuine innovation, the projects, processes, programs, or products must not have previously been used in a New Zealand Surf Life Saving environment.</p>
Nominators	Clubs and SLSNZ staff can submit nominations for innovations that meet the criteria. There is no limit on the number of nominations that clubs or staff can submit.
Nominations Deadline	10 pm, Wednesday, 1 May 2024.
How to Nominate	All nominations must be submitted using an Editable PDF from the SLSNZ website and received via the awards@surflifesaving.org.nz email address by the deadline. The Editable PDF will require all of the information below. The table below is for reference only.
Judged by	SLSNZ Honours and Awards Committee



Innovation Award - Judging Criteria		
Nominee Details	Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none">NameSLSNZ Membership Number	Club or Entity <ul style="list-style-type: none">Club NameEntity Name
Nominator Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Club NameClub RolePhoneEmail	
Description	Describe the innovation. (Explain 100 words max)	
Current Issues	What current issues will this innovation resolve? (Explain 100 words max)	
Impact	Describe the impact this innovation will have on surf lifesaving activities and how it will help clubs and surf lifeguards prevent drowning at the beaches in Aotearoa. (Explain 300 words max)	