



Australian Life Saving Team - Circular

Title:	Australian Life Saving Team – Athlete Nominations
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Summary:	SLSA athletes wishing to be considered for Open, Development, Youth or U14/U15 Talent ID squads for the Lifesaving World Championships 2022 Campaign are invited to complete the below nomination form. All athlete nominations must be completed by 5:00 pm on Friday 28 th May 2021 via the below link for consideration. Information in this circular does not relate to any Surf Boat or IRB representative teams.

Attachments

1) 5.05 LWC2020 Australian Life Saving Team Selection Guideline

Background

The Lifesaving World Championships (LWC) is an event that is contested biennially, consisting of events spread across the pool, beach and ocean in both Open & Youth age categories. For the LWC2022 Campaign all athletes wishing to be selected to the following squads must complete the below nomination form;

- Australian Life Saving Team Squad
- Australian Life Saving Team Pathway Squad
- Australian Youth Life Saving Team Squad
- U14/U15 Talent ID Squad

Given the continued restrictions relating to International travel the 2022 campaign will be significantly impacted. For 2021 we have already seen Sanyo Cup (Fukuoka, Japan) and International Surf Rescue Challenge (Daytona Beach, USA) cancelled with potential likelihood that the ALT will also be unable to travel to German Cup (Warendorf, GER) and Orange Cup (Eindhoven, NED). Updates regarding ILS events will be continue to provided as more information is available.

Squads

For the LWC2022 Campaign, the Australian Life Saving Team High Performance Program will be made up of 4 squads.

Australian Life Saving High Performance Squad

Athletes with the capacity and point scoring capability to represent the Australian Life Saving Team at pinnacle international events, which may include but are not limited to;

- New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships 2021
- German Cup & Orange Cup 2021
- World Games 2022
- Life Saving World Championships 2022



Australian Pathway Life Saving Squad

Once again, the Lifesaving World Championships 2022 Campaign will feature a “Pathway Life Saving Program” for those athletes outside the Australian Life Saving High Performance Squad but with potential to represent Australia at World Championships in 2024 and beyond. This Pathway squad will be invited to and attend specific team / squad camps and training sessions of which pathway coaches will be responsible for the planning and delivery of these camps, along with on-going performance and progression monitoring. Athletes within the Pathway Life Saving Squad may be selected to represent the Australian Life Saving Team at international events, which may include but are not limited to;

- New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships (Oct 2021)
- German Cup & Orange Cup (Nov 2021)
- Sanyo Cup 2022 (June)
- World Games (July 2022)
- Life Saving World Championships 2022 (September)

Australian Youth Life Saving Squad

As per International Life Saving (ILS) to be eligible for the AYLTL athletes must be born between **01/01/2004 – 31/12/2007**. Athletes selected will have the capacity and capability across LWC suite of events (<https://www.lifesaving2020.it/event/37/competitions-and-results/disciplines>) with the primary goal of winning World Championships. The Australian Youth Life Saving Squad will be made up of the top 30-42 athletes with the capacity and point scoring capability to represent the Australian Youth Life Saving Team at pinnacle international events, which may include but are not limited to;

- New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships (Oct 2021)
- Life Saving World Championships 2022 (September)

U14/U15 Talent ID Squad

For the Lifesaving World Championships 2022 Campaign a talent ID squad for identified U14/U15 athletes who will be eligible for youth world championships in 2024 and beyond will be introduced to assist with the development and understanding of International Life Saving events while also rewarding the exceptional results produced by these athletes at state and national carnivals. A range of online sessions catering toward these athletes will be delivered to assist with continued growth and development of these athletes.

Athlete Tours Levies

With lifesaving sport still falling outside of Sport Australia’s funding categorisation model as we are not an Olympic, Paralympic or Commonwealth Games sport there is no available high performance funding. As a result, some touring teams will have to assist with travel and touring costs in the form of athlete levies. These are;

New Zealand Pool Rescue Champs (Development Team) 2021: \$1,500

Sanyo Cup 2022; Japan - \$1,750

Life Saving World Championships (Youth) 2022; Riccione, Italy - \$4,000



However, there will be no levies for open teams including New Zealand Pool Rescue, World Games and Life Saving World Championships (Open) 2022. Levy structure in 2024 campaign and beyond may differ from the above where open, capped teams may be charged athlete levies.

Nomination process

Open, Pathway, Youth, U14/U15 Talent ID Athletes Nomination Link

To be considered for any High Performance Squad as part of the Australian Life Saving Team all athletes must nominate through the below link by no later than 5pm, Friday 28th May, 2021.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ALT_2022_Athlete_Nominations

Email sport@slsa.asn.au if you have any further questions.