

Safer Surf Clubs E-Learning Program

Attention: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Safety Officers, Club Captains

Actioned By: All members 14+

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Summary	Details the procedure for members to complete the Safer Surf Clubs E-Learning Program
Objective	Provide accessible training to members so as to increase health and safety awareness in our surf clubs
Action	Ensure club committee members complete this training. Encourage all members over the age of 14 to complete the Safer Surf Clubs E-Learning Program

Overview

In response to a review on the health and safety in our surf clubs throughout NSW, key areas have been identified and highlighted for improvement. With funding from WorkCover NSW and their WorkCover Assist Program, SLSNSW have developed an overall plan to increase health and safety awareness in our clubs to address these key areas. We have already implemented various elements in this plan:

- Designating Branch Safety Officers who have been trained in our Safer Surf Clubs program;
- Developing and ensuring health and safety resources are available in every club within NSW; and
- Ensuring awareness material such as posters, brochures and stickers supporting the resources are displayed throughout clubs.

Ensuring health and safety training relevant to our surf clubs is made available to all our members across the state is also an element of the overall plan. Due to Surf Lifesaving's extensive coverage throughout NSW we realise that it is not always possible for our members to travel to a specific location in order to attend a training session. To address this SLSNSW has developed a new E-Learning Program to compliment the Guidelines for Safer Surf Clubs resources which were distributed to all clubs at the end of last season.

The E-Learning program provides a good introduction to health and safety in our surf clubs and allows the participants of the program to get a virtual hands-on feel for what a safe surf club should look like. This is a program that any member over 14 can complete and is an essential tool for our Club Safety Officers, Club Captains and Chief Training Officers. This program assists our clubs in ensuring their environment is safe for our members. The training is non-accredited and a SLSA certificate can be requested upon completion.



How to access the Safer Surf Clubs E-Learning Program

This program is now able to be completed online and all members are advised to complete it as soon as possible for this season.

1. Ensure you have access to Lifesaving Online which is a SLSA website allowing members to maintain their personal information. If you don't have access please visit the website www.lifesavingonline.com.au and follow the instructions to register.
2. If you already have a password and username please access lifesaving online remembering that the login is case sensitive.
3. Access "My Courses" in the menu which will take you direct to the Safer Surf Clubs E-Learning program.
4. Once the course and short survey is completed online, the award will be automatically added to your details in SurfGuard.
5. If you would like a SLSA certificate to confirm the completion of the program please contact:
Lisa Jones
Awards and WorkCover Officer
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Remember, not just the Club Safety Officer, Club Captain and Chief Training Officers can complete the course. It is important to encourage anyone in the surf club to complete it such as Committee members and President.

If you require further information regarding the program please contact:

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Additional Resources

[WorkCover NSW](#)
Health and Safety resources
www.workcover.nsw.gov.au

[Surf Life Saving Australia](#)
Policies and many other useful resources
Guidelines for Safer Surf Clubs
www.slsa.com.au