



SURF LIFE SAVING SYDNEY STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE SUPPORT OPERATIONS RWC GROUP

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TITLE: RWC OPERATIONS WITHIN SYDNEY BRANCH
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Purpose To provide policy, procedure and best practice for Rescue Water Craft (RWC) Operations.

Policy Surf Life Saving NSW (SLSNSW) requires all RWC Operators to adhere to the established policies, procedures and guidelines to ensure safe and effective practices relating to RWC operations.

RWC Service Objective To provide operational support to existing patrols and patrolling/emergency response capacity to non-patrolled areas.

Scope of Operation
Patrol Season / Patrol Days / Patrol Times The minimum patrol season/hours for an RWC service shall be as agreed in the Lifesaving Service Agreement between SLSS and SLSNSW.

RWC's shall undertake rostered patrols on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays within the patrol season.

Scope of Operation
After Hours / Emergency Callouts RWC's shall have the capacity to respond to after-hours/out-of-season emergencies within the scope of the SLSNSW SOP's on Emergency Response Systems.

Communications RWC's will use their allocated call signs given to them by SLSS and communicate with SurfCom as per current SLSNSW SOPs.
Support Ski 1 – Located at Cronulla (Spare)
Support Ski 2 – Located at Cronulla (Sutherland LGA)
Support Ski 3 – Located at Maroubra (Randwick LGA)
Support Ski 4 – Located at North Bondi (Waverley LGA)

Review The SOM and Support Operations Committee will review this SOP annually.

History 6/04/18 Revised by SOM – Matthew Evans
