



Surf Life Saving SYDNEY Selection Information Sheet 2017 Interbranch Team

Surf Life Saving Sydney invites ANY competitors aged U12 to Opens to nominate for selection in the Sydney Branch Team to compete at the 2017 NSW Interbranch Championships to be held at Stockton Beach on **Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th December 2017.**

General Information:

The Sydney Branch Team will be travelling by coach on Friday 8 December leaving Elouera SLSC at approx. 11am and staying at the Apollo Hotel Newcastle throughout the Championships. All food (except for personal snacks), accommodation & transport will be provided along with a team uniform. The Team will be returning by coach, after the championships, to the Elouera Surf Club.

The Event Format:

The 2017 Interbranch Team format for all age groups in the water events is conducted as **short course** events around the courses set for the individual legs for the ironperson with the majority of water events having run starts and finishes.

Ages: Under 12 to U15 – separate age groups

Gender: Male & female.

Water events: 2 competitors to be selected per age group per gender.

Beach events: 1 competitor to be selected per age group per gender.

Ages: Under 17 (Team structure)

Gender: Male Team & Female Team.

Water events: 3 competitors to be selected per gender.

Beach events: 1 competitor to be selected per gender.

Ages: Under 19 & Open (Combined Aged Team structure with a minimum of one U19 athlete to be selected in each gender)

Gender: Male Team & Female Team.

Water events: 3 competitors to be selected across the U19/ Open age groups for each gender.

Beach events: 1 competitor to be selected across the U19/ Open age groups for each gender.

Selected athletes will be required to compete in the following events:

Beach events: All beach competitors (under 12 to Open) will be required to compete in a beach sprint, beach flags and a range of team events.

Water events: U12, U13, U14 & U15 competitors will be required to compete in a surf race, board race, ironperson and a range of team events.

U17, U19 & Open competitors may be required to compete in a surf race, board race, ski race, ironperson and a range of team events. Due to the nature of the team format specialist selections maybe made for some disciplines.

Further information can be obtained on the Surf Life Saving NSW website:

www.surflifesaving.com.au/event/2017-nsw-interbranch-championships

Selection Guidelines:

To be considered for selection all competitors are to:

1. Read the Surf Life Saving Sydney Selection Policy (on website)
2. Read the 2017 Surf Life Saving Sydney Surf Sports Athlete Agreement (on website)

The selectors will *primarily* (but not limited to) use the following carnivals results to gauge the current level of skill and physical fitness of the competitors:

- 1. Branch Selection Carnival – Wanda 22 October - water (U12 to U17) and beach (U12 – opens) at 2pm**
- 2. Summer of Surf at Queenscliff – 27/28 Oct – water and beach (U17 – Opens)**
- 3. Newport Carnival – 4 Nov – water only (U12- opens)**

At the discretion of the selectors - results of past events (as listed below) may also be taken into account:

1. 2017 NSW State Championships (Age and Open)
2. 2017 Australian Championships (Youth and Open)
3. Sydney Water Series – Round 1 on 28th Oct (u12-15 only)

It is not a requirement for selection that a competitor competes in all these events.

To be considered for selection all competitors must **NOMINATE via this link and fill in the online nomination by 5pm 13th Oct:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Interbranch17>

Team Announcement:

The Sydney Branch Team will be announced on the Surf Life Saving Sydney website and Facebook page on Sunday 12 November 2017 or prior.

Note – in some age groups ‘Reserve Selections’ maybe announced. ‘Reserve Selections’ will not form part of the team training or attend the Championships unless called upon by Team Management.

Team Training:

Upon selection all successful athletes will be advised of team training dates and times by Head Coach – Tracey Schriek. All competitors are reminded of the extremely high level of competition that is experienced at the Interbranch Championships and the focus the championships places on team events. On this basis it is expected that all selected athletes make all efforts to attend the nominated training sessions. Team management reserves the right to remove a competitor from the team in the event Team Management is of the opinion that an athlete has not made a genuine attempt to attend a sufficient number of team training sessions.

Team Management Structure:

The 2017 Surf Life Saving Sydney Interbranch Team Management is as follows:

ROLE	NAME
Interbranch Team Co-ordinator	Amy Somes
Team Manager	John DeCean
Assistant Team Manager	Max Walker
Head Coach	Tracey Schriek
Water Coach	Tracey Schriek
Water Coach	Scott Thomson
Beach Coach	Tom Rampoldi
Beach Coach (assistant)	Dean Scarff
Female Chaperone	Amy Somes
Male Chaperone	TBC

Cost:

Upon selection each athlete will be required to pay a levy of \$250. This levy will be invoiced to your club and must be paid to the Surf Life Saving Sydney Office no later than 5pm Friday 1 December 2017. Team Management reserves the right to remove a competitor from the team in the event the levy is not paid by the due time & date.

Further Information:

Upon selection all successful athletes will receive a more detailed information package however if you require further information please do not hesitate to contact Amy Somes (Interbranch Team Co-ordinator) on 0414869194 or Toni Murphy at the Surf Life Saving Sydney Office on 9019 0722.

Finally I wish all competitors all the best in their endeavours for selection.

Wayne Druery
Director of Surf Sports
Surf Life Saving Sydney
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