



# CIRCULAR

SUBJECT	ISSUE DATE	NUMBER
Skills Maintenance Date Planning Season 2023-24	Wednesday, 26 July 2023	06/23-24

To	Clubs, Presidents, Secretaries, Captains, Chief Training Officers, Surf Rescue 30
From	Director Education
CC	BOM, LSOC, EC, SSC, Y&JDC, MSC

Surf Lifesaving Sydney (SLS Sydney) is committed to communicating with Clubs and ensuring that there is flexibility in relation to the setting of dates for Skills Maintenance.

Skills Maintenance checks are necessary to:

- ensure ongoing competency of members in their area of training and activities
- maintain the standards of knowledge and expertise of surf lifesavers
- satisfy legal and statutory requirements
- reinforce and maintain our service commitment to the bathing and beach going community

The following **skills maintenance** dates need to be arranged :

Award	Action	With
Bronze Medallion / SRC / Resuscitation	Set dates in Club.	Club Assessors/Club CTO
Radio (if standalone award)	Set dates in Club. <b>Note : for those who hold a stand alone Radio Operators Certificate (ie don't hold a BM) – an annual proficiency is required if the member wishes to keep this award current</b>	Club Assessors/Club CTO
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques	Set dates in Club.	Club Assessors/Club CTO
SMIRBD & IRBC	Set dates in Club or by area if preferred	Club Assessors/Club CTO/Area Education Coordinator
ORBC/D/S & RWC	Surf Rescue 30 to set dates.  RWC dates have already been set and advised to operators for season 23-24.	Branch ORB Coordinator  Branch RWC Coordinator
Gold Medallion	Branch will set Gold Medallion sills maintenance dates for those wishing to remain proficient in this award	Branch
SMAR	Compete a 400m swim in 8 minutes or less in a swimming pool of no less than 25m length. Hold and be proficient in the SLSA BM/Cert II	Club Assessor/CTO

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**Club CTO's are to complete the jotform link provided and upload a copy of your skills maintenance schedule <https://form.jotform.com/232048901650855>**

**By Friday 25 August 2023.**

Once skills maintenance dates have been confirmed, the Branch office will upload this information to the Branch website under Education/Calendar at the following link [SLSS Education Calendar Branch Website](#)

### **Endorsed Delegates**

Clubs using endorsed delegates to conduct skills maintenance need to have updated their members' details in Surfguard. Refer to page 6 & 7 [Skills Maintenance Information Booklet V2023](#)

**All Skills Maintenance information** is available on SLSNSW website at the following link <https://www.surflifesaving.com.au/skills-maintenance-proficiency/>

Regards and thank you

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