



Surf Life Saving Australia – Entry Circular

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	Entry Circular for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 to be held at Coolangatta Beach, QLD on 14-15 October 2023

Key Information for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023

- The Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Short Course will take place on Saturday 14th October with first wave departing at 7:30am.
- The Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Youth Challenge will take place on Saturday 14th October with first wave departing at 12:00pm.
- The Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Downwind Paddle will take place on Saturday 15th October with first wave departing at 2:00pm. All information relating to the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold Downwind Paddle can be found online here.
- The Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Long Course will take place on Sunday 15th October with first wave departing at 7:30am.
- For all information relating to the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Downwind Paddle please refer to Circular 72/2022-23 found online at https://sls.com.au/coolangattagold/
- All entries for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 & Youth Challenge must be completed via online webforms https://sls.com.au/coolangattagold/
- All athletes must complete the online briefing prior to competition. All athletes and at least one handler must be present for online athlete briefing.
- The starts for both the short course and long course, dependent on conditions, will be a dry or traditional ski start (from the beach).

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the events team at: events@slsa.asn.au





1 IMPORTANT DATES

Important Dates			
Wednesday 16 August 2023	11:59pm AEST	Earlybird Entries Close	
Sunday 8 October 2023	11:59pm AEST Online Entries Close All Medical Forms and Handler Forms complet and submitted		
Monday 9 October 2023	6:00pm AEST 7:00pm AEDT	Powercraft Briefing Online	
	9:00am AEST	Gear and Trailer drop off begins – Queen Elizabeth Park, Coolangatta	
Friday 13 October 2023	9:00am- 4:00pm AEST	Short Course & Long Course Competitor Pack Collection. Youth Challenge and Downwind Paddle competitor packs can be collected on race day.	
,	4:00pm AEST	Short Course Competitor & Officials Briefing – Online	
	5:00pm AEST	Long Course Competitor & Officials Briefing – Online	
	6:00pm AEST	Downwind Paddle Competitor Briefing - Online	
	6:30am AEST	Marshalling begins – Short Course – Competitors should be race ready	
	7:30am AEST	Short Course starts – First Wave departs	
Saturday 14 October 2023	11:30am AEST	Youth Challenge Marshalling	
	12:00pm AEST	Youth Challenge Begins	
	2:00pm AEST	Downwind Paddle Begins	
	6:30am AEST	Marshalling Begins – Long Course – Competitors should be race ready	
Sunday 15 October 2023	7:30am AEST	Long Course starts – First Wave departs	
	3:00pm AEST	Long Course Competition concludes	
Monday 16 October 2023	4:00pm AEST	All gear and trailers picked up and removed from site – Queen Elizabeth Park, Coolangatta	

NB: All above dates and times are subject to change





2 ATHLETE ENTRY CONDITIONS

2.1 Entry Criteria

All competitors who are active members of a Surf Life Saving Club must meet SLSA requirements for competition eligibility. Further details may be obtained from Surf Life Saving Australia's Policy 5.04 — SLSA Guidelines for Competition Eligibility. Competitors must also be eligible for competition under SLSA conditions as outlined in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

Members of the public who enter this competition do so of their own accord and must follow SLSA competition conditions/regulations.

2.2 Event Categories

All individual short and long course events are aged-based categories, with the exception of Elite Male and Elite Female, which are Open categories. Competitors may not compete in both Elite and their age category (i.e., Elite Male and U19 Male).

All team short and long course events are age-based categories, with the exception of Open Teams – Male/Female/Mixed, in which each team member can be of any eligible age.

Competitors who wish to enter both Short Course and Long Course events will be charged separate entry fees. Eligibility to participate in more than one event is subject to SLSA approval. If competitors wish to enter more than one event, they can do so in the following combinations:

- Individual Short Course and Team Long Course, or
- Team Short Course and Team Long Course, or
- Team Short Course and Individual Long Course





INDIVIDUAL EVENTS		
Age Categories	Individual Short Course	Individual Long Course
Elite Male*		•
Elite Female*		•
U17 Male	•	
U17 Female	•	
U19 Male	•	•
U19 Female	•	•
Open Male	•	•
Open Female	•	•
30-39 Male	•	•
30-39 Female	•	•
40-49 Male	•	•
40-49 Female	•	•
50-59 Male	•	•
50-59 Female	•	•
60+ Male	•	•
60+ Female	•	-1 (

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Elite Category is attached to prize		
	money	
and has restrictions on insurance		
	coverage	

TEAM E	VENTS	
Age Categories	Teams Short Course	Teams Long Course
U17 Male	•	
U17 Female	•	
U17 Mixed	•	
U19 Male	•	•
U19 Female	•	•
U19 Mixed	•	•
Open Male	•	•
Open Female	•	•
Open Mixed	•	•
140+ Masters Male	•	•
140+ Masters Female	•	•
140+ Masters Mixed	•	•
190+ Masters Male	•	•
190+ Masters Female	•	•
190+ Masters Mixed	•	•

YOUTH CHALLENGE – INDIVIDUAL ONLY		
Age Categories	Male	Female
U11	•	•
U12	•	•
U13	•	•
U14	•	•
U15	•	•
U17	•	•

Youth Challenge Age Groups as per 37th Edition Surf Sports Manual for 2023-24 season





2.3 Team Events

- For team events, a team will consist of any competitor combination with a minimum of two people and maximum of four people.
- Each leg must be completed by one individual only.
- If a team has less than 4 people, each individual can complete more than one leg of the course.
- Teams must have a minimum of two handlers.
- Teams can be:
 - Female Teams 2-4 females
 - Male Teams 2- 4 males
 - Mixed Teams any combination of 2-4 competitors with a minimum of 1 female and 1 male
- For teams with less than 4 competitors the eligible age category will be determined by the average age of those competitors.
- Teams can be made up of members from a Surf Life Saving Club and the general public. If team members are from a Surf Life Saving Club, they are not required to be from the same Club to be in the one team. <u>NOTE</u>: This will make Open Short Course Teams ineligible for prizes.
- Individual competitors in the individual race categories, who, due to unforeseen circumstances are unable to complete the entire course on their own, are eligible to transfer their entry to a team category <u>prior to close of entries</u>. Additional entry fees may apply.

3 ENTRY FEES

Entry Fee Period	Period Closing Date	Event Category	Cost
		Short Course - Individual	\$269
	44.50 AEOT - W- 140 A	Short Course - Teams	\$549
Early Bird	11:59pm AEST – Wed 16 August 1 2023	Long Course - Individual	\$299
		Long Course - Teams	\$599
		Youth Challenge	\$60
	11:59pm AEST – Sun 8 October 2023	Short Course - Individual	\$339
Normal		Short Course - Teams	\$619
		Long Course - Individual	\$369
		Long Course - Teams	\$679
		Youth Challenge	\$70

3.1 Refund Policy

• Entry Fees are non-refundable. Refunds will be considered subject to injury or other unforeseen circumstances.





- All entry cancellations are to be sent in writing to <u>events@slsa.asn.au</u>
- Entry fees are non-transferrable to another athlete regardless of reason for withdrawal.
- There are no refunds for competitors that do not start or do not complete the course.

4 PRIZES

4.1 Prize Money

Prize money is awarded to the following places in the Elite Male and Elite Female Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 Long Course category:

Elite Male and Elite Female Long Course- Individual		
Place	Prize Money	
1	\$25,000	
2	\$12,000	
3	\$6,000	
4	\$4,000	
5	\$2,000	
6	\$1,000	

Prize money is also awarded to the following places in the Open Male, Female & Mixed Short Course Categories to the teams that meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Each Team must consist of 4 members with each member completing only one discipline.
- All 4 members of the Team must be members from the same Surf Life Saving Club.
- Each member of the Team must have had their competition rights assigned to the competing club by 1 June 2023.
- Mixed Team only: Each Team must consist of 2 Females and 2 Males.

Open Male, Female and Mixed Short Course- Teams		
Place Prize Money		
1	\$10,000	
2	\$6,000	
3	\$4,000	

4.2 Prize Packs

Prize packs will be awarded to the top 3 places for each of the U17's Individual Short Course Categories:

Male and Female U17 Short Course- Individual		
Place Prize Money		
1	Race One Surf Craft Surf Ski	
2	Race One Surf Craft Racing Mal	
3	Race One Surf Craft Braca Paddle	





5 RACE INFORMATION

5.1 Race Start

- The race start time for both the Short Course and Long Course first wave will be 7:30am, unless advised by SLSA Staff or the Referee. Each wave will begin between 5-10 minutes after the preceding wave. Wave allocations will be advertised before the day of competition.
- The start for the short course and long course will be a dry or traditional ski start (from the beach), dependent on conditions. The Referee will advise competitors of the start method.

Please Note: The Competition Committee reserve the right to amend the course and/or postpone and/or cancel a category or the event if deemed necessary in the interest of safety for competitors.

5.2 Course

- Every competitor must compete in the manner determined and presented by the Competition Committee and in accordance with the event rules.
- Competitors must follow the direction and instructions of the Referee and associated Officials. Failure to do so may result in a penalty or disqualification.
- Drink stations will be provided along the run leg of the course.
- It is the competitor's responsibility to wear their timing chip appropriately so that a time will be recorded when going through the transition points. Instructions will be provided at the Competitor Briefing prior to competition.

Course:	Date:	Race Start Times:
Short Course	14 October 2023	From 7:30am
Youth Challenge	14 October 2023	From 12pm
Long Course	15 October 2023	From 7:30am

SHORT COURSE DETAILS - Saturday 15 October 2023 - 21km

Leg:	Distance:	Location:
Ski	10.5 km	Coolangatta to Tugun, return to Coolangatta
Swim	2 km	Coolangatta to Haig St Kirra, return to Coolangatta
Board	3 km	Coolangatta to North Kirra, return to Coolangatta
Run	5.5 km	Coolangatta to Mills St Tugun, return to Coolangatta

YOUTH CHALLENGE DETAILS Saturday 15 October 2023 – 1.75km

Leg:	Distance:	Location:
Run	250m	Coolangatta Beach
Swim	350m	Coolangatta Beach
Run	550m	Coolangatta Beach
Board	450m	Coolangatta Beach





Run	150m	Coolangatta Beach
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LONG COURSE DETAILS - Sunday 16 October 2023 - 41.8km

Leg:	Distance:	Location:
Ski	23 km	Coolangatta to Tallebudgera Creek & return
Run	1 km	Coolangatta to TH&C SLSC & return
Swim	3.5 km	Coolangatta to 75m South of North Kirra SLSC & return
Board	6.1 km	Coolangatta to Pacific Pde, Cnr Gibson St (Bilinga) & return
Run	8.2 km	Coolangatta to Golden Four Drive, Cnr Sea St (Tugun) & return

6 EVENT ELIGIBILITY

- For short course and long course competitors the age that competitors are on race day determines the category they will compete in for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023. Competitor age is as follows:
 - Short Course as at 12:01am, Saturday 14 October 2023
 - Long Course as at 12:01am, Sunday 15 October 2023.
- Entrants to the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 can be SLSA members or the general public.
- Competitors must be a minimum of 16 years of age on the event day to be eligible to compete in individual events.
- On event day, competitors must be a minimum of 14 years of age to be eligible to compete
 in the beach run legs of a team event, 15 years of age to be eligible to compete in swim or
 board legs in a team event and 16 years of age to be eligible to compete in the ski leg of
 a team event.
- If team competitors are members of SLSA, they are not required to be from the same Surf Life Saving Club.
- All competitors who are entering in any category do so of their own accord and must follow SLSA competition conditions outlined in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual (with exception of age determination that is detailed in this section).
- All competitors who are SLSA members must be entered into the event under their Club, must be financial members of a club and be eligible for competition as per the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual.





7 RACE REQUIREMENTS

- Competitors entering the Long Course event must be able to provide SLSA evidence, as requested, of one of the below criteria in order to be eligible for the Long Course event:
 - Successful completion of a previous Long Course event within the past 5 occurrences
 - Successful completion of a previous Short Course event within the past 3 occurrences
- If competitors have not met the above criteria and wish to complete in the Long Course
 event, sufficient evidence of training plans and current references must be signed and
 provided by a current accredited SLSA Coach to events@slsa.asn.au for SLSA approval.
 Competitors submitting Long Course requests are not permitted to enter until appropriate
 sign off from SLSA has occurred.
- It is compulsory for each competitor to have a board paddler (handler) with them for the swim leg component of the course. This board paddler must, as a minimum, hold a Surf Rescue Certificate and be proficient. The board paddler must wear a fluro shirt/rash vest and also wear their competitor's allocated number on their arm. They must always remain 5 metres in front of or to the side of their competitor.
- It is compulsory that each competitor wears the SLSA provided swimming cap for the swim leg of the course.
- All skis and boards must have the competitor's number sticker attached. Stickers will be
 provided in the competitor packs and should be applied to clean, dry craft in the locations
 identified in the Sponsorship section of this Circular. Competitors will receive the following
 stickers:
 - o 2 x ski
 - o 1 x board
 - 1 x board paddler
- It is compulsory for all competitors to pass through each gate when completing the ski leg. The buoy gates will be, at a maximum, 4km apart and a maximum of 300m offshore.
- It is planned buoy gates will be placed 2km apart (pending obtaining appropriate equipment). Failure to pass through the gates may result in a penalty or disqualification.
- Competitors in the ski leg, whether in the Short Course or Long Course events, are required to have a water storage device attached to their craft or their person. Long Course competitors must have a minimum of two litres of water or other suitable drinking liquid.
- All competitors must adhere to decisions and direction provided by the Event Referee and all other Officials.

8 HANDLERS

- Competitors must have a minimum of one handler who will assist in the management of the competitor and their equipment.
- Handlers do not need to be a member of a Club or hold a Surf Rescue Certificate or Bronze Medallion proficiency (excluding the Board Paddler Handler)
- Handlers must wear the yellow bibs provided. Each competitor will be provided with Handler bibs.
- At no time during the event, may a Handler, Coach or other person in a competitor's team
 or club, cause an advantage, or appear to cause an advantage to or for a competitor. Such
 advantage may not be limited to, but includes, pacing, travelling alongside of and push
 starting. In addition to this, Handlers are:
 - Not permitted to enter the water except to retrieve craft or take part in a rescue.
 - Not permitted to leave the competition area in the immediate preceding 'change over'





- area, or the next 'change over' area except to travel directly between such areas.
- Not permitted to approach their competitor unless within the designated area at the aid stations located at Bilinga and North Kirra on the run leg of the course.

Please note: Penalties incurred by Handlers will be applied to the competitor/s as if the competitor/s had committed the infringement.

9 LIFE JACKETS

- All competitors must wear a minimum certified AS4758 Level 50 or Type 2 life jacket whilst competing in the ski leg of the course.
- AS4758 Level 100, Level 150, Level 275, Level 50S or Type 3 are permitted to be worn if they meet the conspicuous colour requirements.

10 GEAR & EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS & SCRUTINEERING

- Surfboards, surf skis and wetsuits must meet the current specifications of SLSA.
- Lifejackets must meet the specifications detailed in this entry circular.
- All competitor craft, life jackets and wetsuits (if required) are subject to scrutineering at Coolangatta and at any time, during or after the event. Competitors and/or handlers must comply with the directions of the Scrutineer Officials and present their craft and lifejackets for scrutineering.
- Scrutineering at the start of the event at Coolangatta will include checks on:
 - Craft
 - o PFD
 - Water or other drink
 - Numbering on craft
 - Numbering on athlete (both arms, both legs)
 - Lycra singlet
 - Timing Chip

11 CLOTHING AND NUMBERING

- Each competitor and handler/s must wear their assigned number/s on the sides of their
 upper arms and on the sides or back of both calves. The numbers will be applied using
 numbered tattoos provided by SLSA in the competitor kits. Numbers must remain visible
 at all times and cannot be covered at any stage. If numbers are not visible competitors
 cannot start. Marshalls will have markers to assist with athlete numbering.
- During the swim leg, competitors must wear the nominated coloured swimming cap. A cap will be provided in the competitor kits.
- SLSA members are permitted to wear their club caps during the Ski, Board and Run legs
 of the course.
- Costumes must be SLSA approved as per the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual (Section 2.5). Any variance to costumes must be approved by the Referee prior to competition.
- Swimming costumes are to be worn at all times. They must be SLSA approved, as
 designated in the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual. Any variance to SLSA
 approved costumes may be approved by the Referee prior to the commencement of the





event.

- SLSA will supply lycra race singlets which must be worn by competitors as outer garments on all legs of the event, except the ski leg when a minimum Level 50 lifejacket must be the outermost garment.
- Costumes must not carry any commercial identification except the garment manufacturer and/or their Surf Life Saving Club. Please refer to the Personal Sponsorship section of this Circular.
- The Event Referee has the authority to require the removal of costumes or other garments which the Referee considers to be offensive.
- Footwear is permitted for the running leg of the course.
- Swim goggles and/or face masks are permitted for the swim leg of the course.
- Swim flippers or any other swimming aids are not permitted as part of the swim leg of the course.
- Wetsuits are permitted to be worn, if, at 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the event, the Referee deems the water to be below 18 degrees Celsius. Please refer to Section 2.5 of the current Surf Sports Manual for approved wetsuits. Wetsuits may not carry any commercial or sponsorship identification other than that of the wetsuit manufacturer. This wetsuit manufacturer identification can only be the size which is standard to off-the-rack wetsuits of that company.
- Handlers must wear mandatory event Handler bibs as outer garments for the duration of the event.

12 RETIREMENTS FROM THE EVENT

- Competitors may retire from the event at any point during the course. In some instances, the Referee, Officials or Medical officers will determine whether a competitor can or cannot continue and they will be instructed to retire. This will be communicated to the competitor and/or the competitor's handler/s who shall immediately remove the competitors' equipment from the competition area.
- Medical Officers have full authority to prevent or restrain a competitor from continuing in the event if they deem it unsafe for the competitor to continue.
- Competitors who fail to complete a leg of the course within a period of time stipulated by
 the Competition Committee must retire from the event. SLSA accepts no responsibility for
 those competitors who fail to complete a leg in the required time. Those competitors will
 be automatically disqualified from the event and their timing chip will be removed. If the
 competitor continues to participate in the event, they do so at their own risk and SLSA
 take no responsibility for their safety or welfare.

13 YOUTH CHALLENGE

- Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold Youth Challenge competitor eligibility and age categories will be conducted as per current Surf Sports Manual 37th Edition.
- Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold Youth Challenge age categories will include age groups U11, U12, U13, U14, U15 & U17 for the 2022-23 competition season.
- Youth Challenge entries will be capped at 50 entrants per age group, per gender for all categories.





- Youth Challenge competitors must wear SLS (surf lifesaving) club caps for the duration
 of the event.
- All competitors will be provided with event branded lycra for the duration of the event.
- Youth Challenge competitors must have a minimum of one handler who will assist in the management of the competitor and their equipment.
- Youth Challenge handlers will not be required to wear handler bibs.

COMPETITION DETAILS

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The Competition Committee may, subject to the rules in the 37th Revised Edition Surf Sports Manual (SSM) and event rules, any subsequent amending bulletins, and this circular, postpone, cancel and/or alter any or all events, and alter the venue of the competition.

A review of the following matters will be included for discussion at each Competition Committee meeting:

- Risk assessment of the current conditions of the beach and back of beach area
- Injury management statistics
- Current weather predictions
- Competition statistics.

The Competition Committee may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on local weather, surf conditions and safety issues, when required. The Competition Committee shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the competition (e.g., Disciplinary Committee).

The Competition Committee is responsible for enacting the contingency plan for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023. The Referee and the Safety and Emergency Management Coordinator (SEMC) are responsible to the Competition Committee for recommendations concerning competition safety. The Safety Operations Manual developed for this event is to be applied by the Referee and the SEMC in considering and making recommendations, in consultation with relevant emergency services and lifesaving authorities.

POSITION	NAME
Chair	John Brennan OAM
Deputy Chair, SLSA Chair of Sport	Andrew Buhk
SLSA Sport Manager	Wayne Druery
SLSA Events Manager	Jess Mensforth
Competition Referee	TBA
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Nathan Fife
Powercraft Coordinator	Richard Ellery
Host Club Representative - Coolangatta SLSC	TBA

SAFETY & EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The Safety and Emergency Committee as part of its role must consider and advise on all





matters relating to the competition and non-competition safety and emergency services. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	Nathan Fife
Deputy Competition Referee (and Area Referee Coolangatta)	TBA
Deputy Competition Referee (and Area Referee Youth	TBA
Challenge)	
Medical Coordinator	TBA
Powercraft Coordinator	Richard Ellery
SLSQ Duty Officer	Brendan Scoffell
Host Club Representative – Coolangatta SLSC	TBA
Independent Risk Advisor	Paul Chivers

EVENT ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The Event Organising Committee is responsible for the logistical pre-planning and operational delivery of the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold. The Event Organising Committee is responsible for the planning of the event but not the conduct of actual competition.

POSITION	NAME
SLSA Sports Manager / Chair	Wayne Druery
SLSA National Event Manager	Jess Mensforth
SLSA Chair of Sport	Andrew Buhk
Competition Referee	TBA
Deputy Competition Referee	TBA
Deputy Competition Referee	TBA
Safety & Emergency Management	Nathan Fife
Coordinator	
Powercraft Coordinator	Richard Ellery
SLSA National Venue Manager	Aaron Bissett
SLSA National Events Officer	Marlin Hoppen
SLSA National Events Officer	Ben Walker
SLSA Officials Advisor	Jenny Kenny
SLSA Technical Advisor	Graham Rice
Host Club Representative – Coolangatta	TBA
SLSC	

SLSA ANTI DOPING POLICY

Surf Life Saving Australia supports the Australian Government, the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Committee, and Sports Integrity Australia (SIA) in their efforts to eradicate the use of drugs in sport. SLSA has published an anti-doping policy, which will be adhered to for this event.

 Please be aware that random drug testing could take place during the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold Events





- It is highly recommended all competitors and club member (including coaches, handlers, and support personnel) complete the SIA online e-learning program (Level 1) to ensure all personnel are aware of contemporary issues pertaining to anti-doping. The link to access this e-learning program is: https://elearning.sportintegrity.gov.au/. Further to this, it is highly recommended that each team, under the direction of the management, undergo at least one anti-doping education and awareness activity as a group.
- It is recommended all competitors and club member (including coaches, handlers, and support personnel) utilise the SIA <u>Check Your Substances</u> reference site, or phone 1300 027 232.

MEDIA

- States/Territories & Clubs shall be permitted to promote the event and or their Club team
 within their own State (subject to SLSA approval). However, no Competitor, Team
 Manager, Official or spokesperson for a State shall make media statements that could
 bring the event, its sponsor, or Officials into controversy. Such statements shall be
 deemed to be a breach of SLSA discipline and may be dealt with accordingly.
- Complaints regarding the organisation of the event, or any other matters, should be directed through the appropriate SLSA channels, and will be dealt with by the responsible section, or officers. Such official complaints will be acknowledged.

PERSONAL SPONSORSHIP

The following outlines the Sponsorship Policy for the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023 which must be complied with whilst participating in the Competition.

EVENT SPONSORS & CATEGORIES

The companies and matching categories listed in the table below have exclusive rights at the Shaw and Partners Financial Services Coolangatta Gold 2023.

No personal sponsorship can be worn by a competitor that is of the same category as the companies listed below.

COMPANY	EXCLUSIVITY CATEGORY
Shaw and Partners Financial Services	Wealth Management
DHL	Logistics
Isuzu	Automotive
Ampol	Fuel
Westpac	Financial Services
FINZ	Swimwear
BRP	Sea Doo watercraft & Can-Am /Powercraft

Current as of the 16/06/2023. SLSA has the right to update and change this at any time prior to the Event commencing.





PERSONAL

Competitors may be required to wear Event sponsor's branding whilst participating in the Event and during any pre or post event media attendances.

Upper arms of competitors must be uncovered for identification numbering.

Competitors are able to place 1 personal sponsor logo on each shoulder. They must be from the same sponsor and cannot be larger than 7.5cm x 7.5cm as per figure 1. Legs are to be free of any personal sponsor logos. Any personal sponsor logos must be pre-approved by SLSA prior to 7th October 2023 by emailing events@slsa.asn.au. SLSA retains sole discretion to withhold approval of any sponsor logos and is not required to provide any reasons for not giving approval.



During any presentations or media appearances, competitors must wear the event lycra race singlet, branded cap, and/or a supplied Event shirt. Any personal sponsor branded gear must not conflict with Event sponsors (as listed above).

CLOTHING

SLSA Event Manager, Chair of Competition Committee SLSA Chair of Sport, and/or the Referee may require the removal of, or the non-wearing of, costumes, lifejackets and/or other garments which contain commercial identification deemed not to be in the interests of the official event sponsors. Please also refer to clothing information on page 8 of the circular.

EYEWEAR

Competitors may wear sunglasses whilst competing in the competition providing that the brand of sunglasses does not conflict with any Event sponsors.

Competitors are not to place sunglasses over any Event sponsor, i.e., on peak of cap.

Competitors may wear their own swim goggles in the appropriate legs.

PENALTIES

The following penalties apply:

- Failure to carry required Sponsor identification, as stipulated: disqualification or time penalty at the discretion of the Competition Committee.
- Failure to wear mandatory Lycra race singlets (competitor)/race T-Shirt (handlers) during event: disqualification or time penalty at the discretion of the Competition Committee.
- Failure to wear mandatory cap and Lycra race singlets at the presentation (competitor): penalty or forfeiture of competitor's total share of prize money.





SURF CRAFT

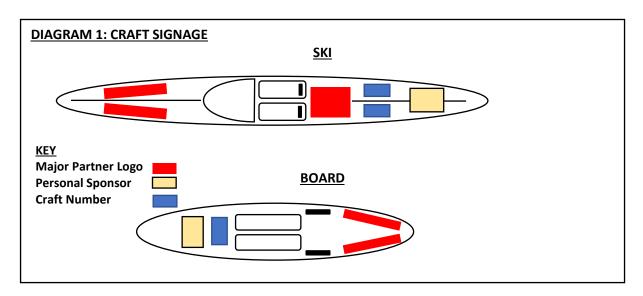
Competitors may be required to compete with a Go Pro or similar device, within reason, attached to equipment for the purpose of obtaining the best possible footage to promote the sport, unless the competitor can prove to SLSA that such an attachment would hinder their performance.

SPONSOR STICKERS

If supplied, compulsory sponsor stickers must be affixed to craft prior to, or during scrutineering and other stickers may be required to be removed or otherwise covered.

Competitors may be called upon to remove from craft all other identification, save for personal and/or official Club sponsor identification, which is considered to be of a conflicting nature to an Event sponsor.

The Competition Committee will nominate the approximate area on the craft for such numbers or identification.



Surf craft may be required to carry branding of the Event sponsors in accordance with the attached diagram above. In addition to the branding set out in the attached document, competitors may also carry personal sponsors only if:

- The signage/branding is positioned in the locations reserved for branding of sponsors or personal sponsors as shown in the Diagram 1 above, and specifications below.
- The branding does not conflict with the interest of a sponsor of the Event.

If your surf craft carries branding of sponsors which conflict with the Event sponsors, these will need to be covered up or removed before attending the Event.

If your surf craft is carrying any branding which is inconsistent with this policy or if you wish to discuss any aspect of this policy, please contact the Events Team at Surf Life Saving Australia.

Personal Sponsor Dimensions:





- Ski 20cm x 20cm area located 70cm from the front of the seat
- Board 20cm x 10cm area located on the back of the board.

NOTE: Signage cannot cover mandatory compliance stickers

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact Surf Life Saving Australia at events@slsa.asn.au