



# Circular 3859

16 October 2024

## 2024-25 NSW Surf Interstate (Open & Youth) Team – Athlete Nomination

- Attention:** Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Competition Officers, Branch Officers, Coaches & Athletes.
- Actioned by:** Athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2024-25 NSW Surf Interstate (Open & Youth) Team.
- Date:** 16 October 2024
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<b>Summary</b>	SLSNSW is calling for athletes wishing to gain selection in the 2024-25 NSW Surf Interstate Open & Youth Team.
<b>Action</b>	Please complete the <a href="#">Online Nomination Form</a> by <b>Sunday 10 November 2024</b> .
<b>NOTE</b>	Only athletes in the Open and Youth divisions (U17, U19 & Open age groups) are eligible to nominate.

SLSNSW is calling for expressions of interest (EOIs) from athletes seeking selection in the 2024-25 NSW Surf Interstate Open & Youth Team to compete at the SLSA Open and Youth Interstate Championships on Friday 13 December 2024 at Wanda SLSC.

Please see [SLSA Entry Circular](#) for more information.

**NOTE: Only Open and Youth divisions will compete on Friday 13 December 2024.**

**Pathway (U14 & U15) competition will be held on Tuesday 1 April 2025. Please see Pathways nomination Circular 3860.**

### Event Timetable – Please note important changes below:

Friday 13 December 2024 – Open & Youth divisions.

Due to the change in competition structure, NSW will enter two additional state representative teams for the Super Surf Teams League (SSTL) competition on 14 – 15 December 2024. The two teams (NSW Open and NSW U17) will be selected from the Interstate nominations. Please indicate your availability to compete for the NSW SSTL teams in the nomination form.

### State Selection Carnivals

The Selection Panel will look favourably on results from the below carnivals, as well as other relevant results.

- Beach Stormers Series standings, October – November 2024
- Wanda One Carnival, 26 October 2024
- Relevant Summer of Surf results

### Team Composition

The 2024-25 SLSA Open & Youth Surf Interstate Championships will hold Open and Youth divisions of competition with a total team size of 20 athletes:

- Each **Open** Team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitors. To be eligible for an Open State team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before midnight 30 September 2024 (i.e. Under 17 age group). Each Open State team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitive members from either the U17, U19 or Open age categories.
- Each **Youth** Team will consist of 5 male and 5 female competitors. To be eligible for a Youth State team a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before the 30 September 2024 (i.e. Under 17 age group). Each Youth State team will consist of a maximum of 5 male and 5 female competitive members from the U17 age category **only**.
- Competitors must compete for the whole of the Championships in either the Open or Youth Competition. They are **not permitted to compete outside of their chosen division**.

**NOTE: Pathway (U14 & U15) competition will be held on Tuesday 1 April 2025. Please see Pathways nomination Circular 3860.**

### Levy

Please be advised that a levy may be payable for all successful team members to assist with the team cost (i.e. uniform, accommodation, transport, etc.). Clubs will be invoiced for this levy and it will then be up to the club to pass on this expense to the individual athlete.

### How to Nominate

- All nominating members are asked to familiarise themselves with the [SLSNSW Selection Policy](#) and the [SLSNSW Athlete Agreement](#). All athletes will be required to comply with the guidelines and expectations set out in these documents.
- Complete the [Online Nomination Form](#) by **Sunday 10 November 2024**
- All nominees must be current financial members and proficient with their relevant awards. All nominations must be endorsed by Club representatives.
- After the close of nominations, Branch will be sent all nominations from within their Branch. Branch will then be required to provide endorsement for nominations to SLSNSW within 48 hours. Individuals are not required to seek a letter from Branch prior to nomination. If Branch does not endorse the nomination, it will be the responsibility of the Branch to communicate this to the member.
- Bronze of Origin: athletes who have transferred to an Interstate SLSC are eligible to nominate for NSW team selection if they originally completed their Bronze Medallion in

NSW, under the 'Bronze of Origin' guidelines. Endorsements from both your current club and original NSW club are required prior to selection.

### **Match Fixing and Anti-Doping**

- The SLSA National Policy on Match Fixing and framework covers all SLS Events that are conducted by SLSA, State Centres, Branches and Clubs including special events, conducted by third parties sanctioned by an SLS entity and any event, competition or series connected with Surf Lifesaving. Please refer to Policy Document 5.11 for further details.
- Members have responsibilities under Policy 5.2 Anti-Doping Policy and Policy 6.23 Illicit Drugs in Sport (both available online in the SLSA Members Portal). It is strongly recommended that all athletes complete the online Sports Integrity Australia training module AND conduct at least one (1) anti-doping education activity with all competitors from the Team - <https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/resources/education>