



DATE: 21st January 2013
SUBJECT: Club Water Safety Hours credited for Patrol Hours
Approved by: Executive Management Committee

The following policy statement was adopted at the Mooloolaba Executive Management Committee meeting held 21 January 2013 and adopted as Policy from 21 January 2013:

POLICY

BACKGROUND:

There has been a number of requests for water safety hours to be credited towards patrol hours.

As there are a range of water activities occurring not only on weekends and weekdays the emphasis to ensure safety of members and compliance to the current water safety risk policy requires qualified members to provide water safety and is an additional commitment on member requirements.

Surf Rescue Certificate members (SRC) are required to acquire a number of patrol hours to attend carnivals at various levels. SRCs are not considered in the patrol strength of normal patrols, only bronze members are noted as part of the Patrol Operations Manual, however by attending patrols SRC members obtain their knowledge and experience to assist in the completion of their bronze medallion certificate II.

WATER SAFETY MODEL:

Water safety hours for bronze medallion certificate II members will be credited for hours completed at carnivals.

Surf Rescue Certificate members need to attend a range of patrol that would equate to 50% of their required patrol hours.

The remaining 50% of hours should be acquired by being credited with water safety hours on weekends at nippers, carnivals and assisting with water safety at weekday club training requirements.

DIRECTION:

All water safety personnel must complete the relevant log book and sign on for the duration of the water safety requirement.

The Water Safety Supervisor will ensure the completion of the log, signing off at the bottom and striking out the blank lines.

The Water Safety Supervisor will remove the original copy of the signed log and place in the drop box in the tea room for collection by the office staff so that entry of the water safety hours can be completed.

At external carnivals, these logs and water safety hours will be entered/advised by Branch.