

POLICY: 002

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# PATROL UNIFORMS, CLUB SWIMWEAR & MERCHANDISE

### PURPOSE

This policy addresses the provision of and mandatory wearing of patrol uniforms, club uniforms nippers, competition uniforms (swimwear and club caps) and merchandise.

### AUDIENCE

All Members of the Palm Beach Surf Life Saving Club (PBQSLSC).

### DETAIL

Surf Life Saving and PBQSLSC both have iconic brands, image and standing within the community. Brands must be protected, enhanced and harnessed to maintain the image and values of the Club and Surf Life Saving in general.

Patrol and Club uniforms, swimwear and merchandise form a critical connection to this brand and are regulated to ensure consistency and adherence to the Club and Surf Lifesaving's brand.

### 1) Patrol Uniforms

Lifesavers on patrol must wear the approved uniform of a Surf Life Saving Australia lifesaver.

For new patrollers to the Club, upon completion of their Bronze Medallion or Surf Rescue Certificate, patrol uniforms will be provided to patrollers by the Club, with members providing sizes requests upon commencement of their course. Sizing stock will be maintained for this purpose.

A quantity of patrol uniform items will be kept on site at the Club should patrollers require immediate replacement, or should current patrollers wish to replace or upgrade their uniform.

Patrol uniform items, wearing and ordinary cyclic replacement is in accordance with SLSQ guidelines.

A patrollers uniform consists of:

- SLSA approved Patrol shirt
- SLSA approved Patrol shorts
- SLSA approved Patrol red and yellow quartered patrol cap (noddy) (for Aquatic Rescue award holders)
- State approved Patrol hat (wide brimmed hat or peaked cap)



It is the responsibility of each Member to ensure their uniform is kept in clean, neat and tidy appearance.

Only qualified and proficient Surf Life Saving members are to wear the uniform.

Only members holding a current proficient Aquatic Rescue qualification are to wear the red and yellow quartered patrol cap.

Any items of the SLSA patrol uniform shall ONLY be worn while on direct travel to or from patrol, while on patrol or when attending official surf lifesaving functions and community education activities e.g. media promotions of surf lifesaving.

A member of the SLS who resigns or does not renew their membership must return all items of uniform that has been issued or assigned to them by the Club.

Further details about Patrol Uniforms can be found in SLSA Policy 1.05 Patrol Uniforms.

### 2) Swimwear, club rashies and noddies

### a) Junior Members – at Nippers

Junior members attending nippers are required to wear the following clothing items, as related to their Age Category:

U6	Pink long sleeve rashie with <i>red</i> noddy cap
U7	Pink long sleeve rashie with green noddy cap
U8	Pink long sleeve rashie with PBQSLSC Club noddy cap
U9	Pink long sleeve rashie with PBQSLSC Club noddy cap
U10	Pink long sleeve rashie with PBQSLSC Club noddy cap
U11-U15	Pink rashie with PBQSLSC Club noddy cap

Members are responsible for purchasing these items from the Club. Examples of these items can be found in Appendix 1.

### b) Junior, Senior and Masters members – Club Events and Training Sessions

Members participating in Club Sanctioned Events and Training Sessions are required to wear a high visibility rashie/rash vest, as per the SLSQ Policy MS13 High Visibility Clothing Requirements (March 29 2022) available in the SLSQ App.

An infographic can be found in Appendix 3.

Junior members must also wear their Club Cap during training sessions.

### c) Junior, Senior and Masters members – Competitions

PBQSLSC members are to wear the Club approved swimwear when competing on behalf of the Club.

The approved swimwear is produced by local manufacturer Kozii. Examples of approved swimwear can be found in Appendix 2.

Members are responsible for purchasing their own swimwear from the Club.

Members must also wear PBQSLSC Club Caps also available for purchase from the Club, and a high vis rashie.

At Australian and State Championships, race singlets are provided within the entry cost and should be worn at all times when competing at these Championship events.

### d) Water Safety

PBQSLSC members undertaking Water Safety duties during nippers and at carnivals are required to wear high visibility orange rashies and orange noddy caps, as per SLSQ policy MS13.

A stock of these items are available on loan, or members are able to purchase their own from the Club. Examples can be found in Appendix 1.

Members on IRB Water Safety Operations duties must also wear a personal flotation device (PFD), available on loan from the Club.

### e) Training/education

Members undertaking their Bronze Medallion, Surf Rescue Certificate or other courses with the Club are required to wear high visibility rashies and noddy caps when in the water, as per SLSQ policy MS13.

A stock of these items are available on loan from the Club.

In addition to the above, Members undertaking IRB training must also wear a personal flotation device (PFD), available to borrow from the Club.

### 3) Merchandise

A small range of merchandise items are available for sale from the Club. The Club aims to move this process online in the near future to reduce overheads of buying and storing stock within the Club.

All new uniform and merchandise designs must be approved by the Board of Management.

Merchandise items may include

- Club T-shirts
- Club Polos
- Club Caps
- Club branded Water Bottles
- Club branded Umbrellas

When attending carnivals or nippers, Competitors and Supporters are to encouraged to wear approved merchandise items to enhance team camaraderie, cohesion and project the image of PBQSLSC as a professional competitive Club to the public and Surf Life Saving community.

Competitors representing PBQSLSC at State and Australian Titles are provided with Team Uniforms to wear during these events in accordance with the Club's Competitor Policy.

Examples of Club Merchandise can be found in Appendix 3.

## Appendix 1: Club Noddies and Rashies





Water Safety rashie and cap

# Appendix 2: Club Swimwear



### Table 1 – High Vis Requirements

EVENT TYPE	HIGH VISIBILITY LYCRA CLOTHING	SWIMMING CAP	CAP & LIFEJACKET
Surf Sports (Competition)	Mandatory	N/A	Club Cap
Sanctioned Events	Mandatory	Recommended	N/A
Ocean Swims	Mandatory	Mandatory	N/A
Junior Activities Program and Junior Sport Training	Mandatory	N/A	Club Cap or Hi Vis Cap Mandatory
(Nippers)			
Member Training	Highly Recommended	N/A	N/A
(Sport)			
Member Training	Mandatory	N/A	Club Cap or Hi Vis Cap
(Lifesaving / Award)			<ul> <li>Mandatory</li> </ul>
IRB Patrol	Mandatory (Long sleeve yellow Patrolling rash shirt or Patrol shirt)	N/A	Quartered Red and Yellow Cap – Mandatory Red and Yellow Lifejacket Mandatory
IRB Training (Award)	Mandatory (Long sleeved)	N/A	Club Cap or Hi Vis Cap – Mandatory
	(		Lifejacket Mandatory
IRB Training (Sport)	Recommended (Long sleeved)	N/A	Club Cap or Hi Vis Cap – Mandatory
			Lifejacket Mandatory
Water Safety IRB operations	B Mandatory (Long sleeve orange rash shirt)	N/A	Orange Cap – Mandatory
			Red and Yellow Lifejacket Mandatory
Water Safety - general duties	Mandatory (Long sleeve orange rash shirt)	N/A	Orange Cap – Mandatory
Nipper Adult Assistant (NAA)	Mandatory green garment with NAA on front and back	N/A	N/A

# HIGH VISIBILITY CLOTHING REQUIREMENT



### PATROL OPERATIONS – GENERAL DUTIES



### PATROL OPERATIONS - IRB



### WATER SAFETY - GENERAL



### WATER SAFETY - IRB



### MEMBER TRAINING - LIFESAVING/AWARDS



MANDATORY: HIGH VISIBILITY RASH TOP AND ENDORSED TRAINING/ CLUB CAP. NOTE: CHOOSE ONE OF THE COLOURS ABOVE

### JUNIOR ACTIVITIES - COMPETITION



IDATORY: PINK RASH TOP AND ENDORSED COMPETITION CAP

#### MEMBER TRAINING - IRB AWARDS



MANDATORY: HIGH VISIBILITY RASH SHIRT, PFD, ENDORSED TRAINING/CLUB CAP. IRB PATIENTS MUST ALSO WEAR A HELMET. NOTE: CHOOSE ONE OF THE COLOURS ABOVE



SURF SPORTS - COMPETITION

MANDATORY: PINK RASH TOP AND CLUB CAP

### JUNIOR ACTIVITIES - TRAINING



MANDATORY: HIGH VISIBILITY RASH TOP SINGLET, ENDORSED TRAINING/CLUB CAP.

NOTE: CHOOSE ONE OF THE RASH SHIRT COLOURS ABOVE NOTE: THIS APPLIES TO ALL JUNIOR ACTIVITIES SURF SPORTS TRAINING - INCLUDING MID-WEEK

### SURF SPORTS – IRB TRAINING AND COMPETITION



MANDATORY: PFD AND ENDORSED TRAINING/CLUB CAP

### OCEAN SWIMS



SWIM CAP

# NAA Nipper Adult Assistant

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# Appendix 4: Club Merchandise examples

