



## Circular 060:05:07

**To:** Director – Lifesaving Services  
Director – Training and Assessment  
Lifesaving Services State Officers  
Regional Officers                      District Officers  
LSV Assessors                          Club Captains  
Club Secretaries

**From:** Matthew Ponsford, South West Regional Officer

**Date:** 17 May 2007

**Subject:** Gear Inspections Season 2007 / 2008

**Action:** Submissions to be forwarded by 14 June 2007

---

Forward planning for Gear Inspections for Season 2007 / 2008 has commenced and at a recent meeting of Lifesaving Services State Officers I was given the task of coordinating submissions and suggestions for next Season's Gear Inspection. The first stage in this planning is to call for feedback on the Season 2006 / 2007 Gear Inspection Manual and for other comments / suggestions regarding the Gear Inspection processes.

Thus far, recommendations have included –

1. Inclusion of the 'yellow flag' and appropriate signage in the Gear Inspection Manual that 'covers' expectations in Patrol Inspections / Audits.
2. Removing the need for Inspectors to have to name and sign each individual page in the Gear Inspection Manual.
3. Increase the numbers of some items of heavily used 'consumable' first aid equipment eg. Saline packs, bandaids, dressings etc.

Developments and improvements in the 'Manage Gear & Equipment' section in Surfguard will also be examined to see how this can be used to make the Gear Inspection process more efficient for Clubs, Inspectors, ROs and LSV.

To assist you in reviewing, copies of the 2006/2007 Gear Inspection Manuals can be viewed on the LSV website by selecting *Members > Club Information > Club Forms* and locating them under the heading *Lifesaving Forms*.

**For additional detail on this Circular contact:** Matthew Ponsford, Regional Officer – South West Region by Email: [mattpon@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mattpon@bigpond.net.au) or by phone **0419 52 52 58**.

**Circulars are also available at** [www.lifesavingvictoria.com.au](http://www.lifesavingvictoria.com.au)  
Address: PO Box 353 South Melbourne DC 3205