



## Circular 097:08:07

**To:** Club Presidents  
Y&LD Council Delegates  
Club Captains  
Club Junior Coordinators

**Club Secretaries**  
**Junior Team Managers**

**Cc:** Y&LD Executive  
LSV Directors

Aquatics Sports Executive  
LSV Staff

**From:** Andrew Skillern - **Manager, Youth & Leadership Development**

**Date:** 17 August 2007

**Subject:** **2007/2008 Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria**

**Action:** **Applications close 5.00 pm Wednesday 17 October 2007**

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Applications are now invited for the following representative teams:

- Junior State Team – to compete at the SLSA Interstate Championships
- Junior Development Team – to compete at the Southern States Development Challenge

**Please note** – Successful athletes will be required to contribute to the cost of the team.

Attached is a copy of the Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria.

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## **Junior State Team:**

The SLSA Interstate Championships for season 2007/08 will be held Thursday 29 November to Sunday 2 December 2007, at Bondi as part of the Year of the Lifesaver celebrations.

## **Junior State Team Composition:**

The Junior State Team will each comprise the following positions:

- 4 x U/13 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/13 Female Competitors
- 4 x U/14 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/14 Female Competitors
- 4 x U/15 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/15 Female Competitors

## **Junior State Team Selection Criteria**

Because the titles will be held 8 weeks earlier than usual the processes to select our State team will change (*The development team will compete at the same time as usual, probably the second weekend in January, in Victoria*).

To be considered for the State team athletes must be able to comply with the following mandatory criteria:

1. Be a financial member of a LSV club
2. Hold the relevant qualification for that age group
3. Attend the State Team Trials on Saturday 3 November (Beach Events) and/or Sunday 4 November (Water Events).
4. Be able to attend State team training sessions once the team has been selected (11, 18 and 25 November)
5. Be able to travel to Sydney on either Wednesday 28 or Thursday 29 November returning Sunday evening 2 December (*being able to miss Wednesday/Thursday and Friday*)
6. Be able to contribute financially to the cost of the tour (*Around \$300-\$600 depending on fundraising*)
7. Be able to attend fundraising functions.

The selectors will base the selection of the team on following three criteria:

1. Results from the State Team Trials (50% weighting)
2. Results from Previous Seasons Results (25% weighting)
3. Selectors Discretion\* (25% weighting)

Plus the athletes ability to comply with the mandatory criteria

\*Selectors Discretion – The Interstate Championships is a team event thus the selectors will be selecting the team based on the sole premise of maximizing the overall point score. This may, under some circumstances mean that athletes may be selected for their ability to ensure that in events such as beach relay and board rescue we attain the best score possible as opposed to selecting an athletes who may excel in one discipline only.

### **Junior Development Team:**

The Southern States Development Challenge for season 2007/8 will be held on Wednesday 9 January 2008 at Ocean Grove, Victoria.

### **Junior State Development Team Composition:**

The Junior State Development Team will each comprise the following positions:

- 4 x U/13 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/13 Female Competitors
- 4 x U/14 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/14 Female Competitors
- 4 x U/15 Male Competitors
- 4 x U/15 Female Competitors

### **Junior State Development Team Selection Criteria:**

To be considered for the Development team athletes must be able to comply with the following mandatory criteria:

1. Be a financial member of a LSV club
2. Hold the relevant qualification for that age group
3. Attend the State Team Trials on Saturday 3 November (Beach Events) and/or Sunday 4 November (Water Events).
4. Be able to attend Development team training sessions once the team has been selected (dates TBA)
5. Be able to attend the Southern States Development Challenge from Monday 7 to Thursday 10 January 2008
6. Be able to contribute financially to the cost of the team (*Around \$300-\$500 depending on fundraising*)
7. Be able to attend fundraising functions.

The selectors will base the selection of the team on following three criteria:

1. Results from the State Team Trials (25% weighting)
2. Results from the Previous Season (25% weighting)
3. Life Saving Involvement at Club Level<sup>1</sup> (25% weighting)
4. Selectors Discretion\* (25% weighting)

Plus the athletes ability to comply with the mandatory criteria

Note:           <sup>1</sup> We will select athletes who have demonstrated that they have contributed to their club not only through competition. This includes patrols, club fundraisers and/or assisting with club activities (e.g. nippers). Applicants are required to complete the attached survey.

\*Selectors Discretion – The Southern States Development Challenge is a team event thus the selectors will be selecting the team based on the sole premise of maximizing the overall point score. This may, under some circumstances mean that athletes may be selected for their ability to ensure that in events such as beach relay and board rescue we attain the best score possible as opposed to selecting an athletes who may excel in one discipline only.

### **Qualification Requirements**

At this stage we cannot advise what the exact qualification requirements needed for selection. We will advise all clubs once we have clarified the requirements.

### **Inability to compete in the trials**

If you are injured and unable to compete in the trials, you are required to produce a doctor's certificate indicating the type of injury and comments by the doctor, prior to the trials. You will also be required to attend trial dates and as well as completing the nomination form/survey.

If you are unable to attend the trials, i.e. interstate or overseas on trial dates, you must notify the Manager, Youth & Leadership Development in writing at least one (1) month prior to the trial dates to be considered for selection. Notification is to be via Manager, Youth & Leadership Development at LSV (email or post):

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Manager, Youth & Leadership Development  
Life Saving Victoria  
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Mail: PO Box 353  
South Melbourne, VIC 3205

### **Selection Information**

All athletes wishing to be considered for selection in either team are required to complete the attached nomination form and survey and forward to the Manager, Youth & Leadership Development (details above) by 5.00 pm Wednesday 17 October 2007.

#### Selection Process:

We will most likely be selecting three water competitors and one beach competitor in each age group (U/13, U/14 & U/15) and each gender. To cover the following events:

1. Iron Person Teams (2)
2. Swim Teams (2)
3. Board Teams (2)
4. Board Rescue (1 swimmer, 1 board paddler)
5. Cameron Relay (1 female swimmer, 1 male board paddler, 1 male runner, 1 female runner) (exact format TBC)
6. Beach Sprint (1)
7. Beach Flags (1)
8. Beach Relay (1 male and 1 female from each age group)

#### Beach Competitors:

The Beach Trials will take place on Saturday 3 November 2007 at Brighton LSC starting at 1.00 pm sharp. The events will include:

- Beach Flags
- Beach Sprint
- Wade Race

Each race will be conducted as a round robin point's score, with each athlete racing two-three times. It is recommended that to give beach athletes the best chance of being selected they should compete in all of the above beach events.

#### Water Competitors:

The Water Trials will be conducted as part of the first Junior Carnival (U15 to U/12) to be held at Bancoora SLSC on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2007, beginning at 9am. The events which will be used for selection will be:

- Wade Race
- Swim Race

- Board Race
- Iron

Each race will be conducted as a round robin point's score, with each athlete racing two times per event. It is recommended that to give water athletes the best chance of being selected they should compete in all of the above water events.

As the water trials form part of the Junior Carnival then each member is required to be entered into the carnival by their respective club. It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that this occurs.

#### Wetsuits:

Due to the time of year the trials are scheduled for, safety of the athletes will be our priority. For this reason we may not be able to prevent athletes wishing to be considered for selection from wearing wetsuits. Whilst all wetsuits do in varying levels provide performance enhancement at this stage we feel that due to the safety considerations we may not be able to prevent this.

#### **Selection Panel**

The panel consists of the Junior State Team Head Coach, Junior Development Team Head Coach, the Junior State Team Beach Coach and the Y&LD Competition Coordinator.

#### **Notification of Selected Teams**

All athletes will be notified by LSV within a week of the trials of whether or not they have been successful. The selected teams will be posted on the LSV Website by 5.00 pm Friday 9 November 2007.

Selecting the teams is a very hard task and one that the selection panel takes very seriously. We understand that athletes and parents may be disappointed if they are not selected. But please understand that the Selection Panels Decision is final.

#### **Further Information**

At this stage the following information has been supplied to Life Saving Victoria. As further details are announced you will be notified.

- **State/Development Team Costs** Successful athletes will be required to contribute to the cost of attending. The cost may be subsidised by Life Saving Victoria. The funding/cost will cover the following:
  - o Accommodation
  - o Transport
  - o All meals
  - o Team Uniform
- **Additional Training Sessions** Competitors who are selected must make themselves available for additional Team training sessions.

#### **Major Contact Points**

If you have any further queries relating to the Junior Victorian Selection Trials it is best that you contact:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>
Manager, Youth & Leadership Development	Andrew Skillern	9676 6945	<a href="mailto:andrew.skillern@lifesavingvictoria.com.au">andrew.skillern@lifesavingvictoria.com.au</a>
Competition	Tom Cullen	0438 054 455	<a href="mailto:cullentw@bigpond.net.au">cullentw@bigpond.net.au</a>

Coordinator			
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## 2007 Junior State & 2008 Junior Development Teams – Nomination Form

If you wish to be considered for the 2007 Junior State Team and/or 2008 Junior Development Team, you must complete the below form. This form is to be completed in conjunction to reading the 2007/08 Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria. Please PRINT clearly.

### PERSONAL DETAILS:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER M F

07/08 Competition Age Group (as of 30 Sept 2007) U/13 U/14 U/15

POSTAL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SUBURB \_\_\_\_\_ POSTCODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

### SELECTION DETAILS:

Which Team/s do you wish to be considered for: State Team Development Team  
 Team (You may circle more than one) (please circle)

If you wish to be considered for the Development Team you must complete the survey on the following page.

### DECLARATION:

#### ATHLETE DECLARATION

I, (insert name)....., have carefully read and understand the contents of the 2007/08 Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria. I agree that I have fulfilled and can abide by the criteria contained.

Signed:.....Date.....

#### PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DECLARATION

I, (insert name)....., have carefully read and understand the contents of the 2007/08 Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria. I agree that my child has fulfilled and can abide by the criteria contained. I also understand that I will have to contribute financially to the cost of the team if my child is selected.

Signed:.....Date.....

## 2008 Junior Development Team – Lifesaving Involvement Survey

If you wish to be considered for the 2008 Junior Development Team, you must complete the below survey. This form is to be completed in conjunction to reading the 2007/08 Junior State & Development Team Selection Criteria and completing the Nomination Form.

As part of the selection criteria for the 2008 Junior Development Team, we will select athletes who have demonstrated that they have contributed to their club not only through competition. This includes patrols, club fundraisers and/or assisting with club activities (e.g. nippers). Please complete the below questions honestly. Note that during the selection process we may contact your club to discuss your involvement within your club. Please PRINT clearly.

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1. **As part of your club please list three (3) non-competition activities that you attended, and what role you had in these activities?**

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2. **Please list any awards or qualification that you have achieved whilst being involved in lifesaving?**

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3. **Are you involved in any leadership groups/youth committees as part of your club?**

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**Send all nominations/surveys attention to:**

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Life Saving Victoria  
Fax: (03) 9681 8211  
Mail: PO Box 353  
South Melbourne, VIC 3205

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