



## Meritorious Awards and Commendations

### NOMINATION FORM - Individual Award

#### Overview

Meritorious Awards are awarded to affiliated clubs and/or their members and/or the public for outstanding deeds of bravery performed during lifesaving operations of SLSA (during and outside of designated patrol hours).

#### Nomination Guidelines

The following documents are required with each nomination:

- The application for Commendation or Meritorious Award form
- The SLSA Incident Report Form
- Other supporting statements – Police, Ambulance and/or witness statements
- Information or reports of rescues are also welcome from media agencies

Applications are to be faxed to Surf Life Saving Australia on (02) 9215 8180 or via email to Kevin Newport – [knewport@slsa.asn.au](mailto:knewport@slsa.asn.au) as soon as possible after the rescue.

- ✓ Award Criteria: Each submission must address/meet the award criteria. Information on meritorious awards and commendations can be found at <http://sls.com.au/members/development/member-recognition>
- ✓ Please complete the following nomination form for each group award nomination
- ✓ The following supporting documents must be included with this completed nomination form:
  - A copy of the incident report log
  - A copy of the patrol log (where applicable)
  - Other supporting information or statements e.g. Police, Ambulance, Public Witness Statements
- ✓ Please complete ALL fields on the nomination form using clear print in blue or black pen
- ✓ Please note that all forms must be filled in correctly. SLSA will not accept forms that are incomplete or incorrect. Any forms lacking the mandatory detail will be returned to be completed and will require re-submission

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## Categories

Meritorious Awards are established in two sections, each divided into three grades, as follows:

### Individual Award

Silver Medallion  
Bronze Medallion  
Certificate of Merit

### Group or Club Award

Certificate of Merit with Silver Medallion inset  
Certificate of Merit with Bronze Medallion inset  
Certificate of Merit

Note: The State Centre Meritorious Awards Committee may be required to assist in the investigation

### Commendation

Commendations recognise outstanding team work, rescue skills, rescue management, individual displays of initiative and resourcefulness, and well conducted rescue activity (e.g. first aid, resuscitation, IRB rescues, board and tube rescues etc.) by members of Surf Life Saving Australia. This recognition award includes rescues or application of lifesaving skills by club members in exceptional circumstances on or off the beach, e.g. resuscitation of a person struck by lightning.

This award is presented to lifesavers involved in exceptional rescues. After consideration, a Commendation may be awarded to an individual or group, club or service.

Recipients of a Commendation are not excluded from nominating for a Meritorious Award.

Note: Rescues can occur at any time - on and off duty and at any location.

The National Director of Lifesaving issues each Commendation on certificate parchment.

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**AWARD TYPE:**

*Please tick the level of meritorious award requested:*

- Individual Certificate of Merit with Silver Insert
- Individual Certificate of Merit with Bronze Insert
- Individual Certificate of Merit

**SUMMARY OF NOMINATION:**

<b>Award Type:</b>	
<b>Nominee Name:</b>	
<b>Nominee Club:</b>	
<b>Location of Incident:</b>	
<b>Date/Time:</b>	
<b>Brief Summary of Incident:</b>	

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**NOMINEE DETAILS**

Please include as many details as possible of the potential award recipient.

**Name of nominee: Mr. / Mrs. / Miss.  
/ Other**

**Nominee's postal address:**  
(please include postcode and state)

**Nominee's contact phone no:**

**Nominee's contact email:**

**NOMINEE'S CLUB DETAILS**

(where applicable)

**Club name (in  
full):**

**Club postal  
address:**  
(please  
include  
postcode  
and state)

**Club phone number:**

**Club email address:**

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DETAILS OF INCIDENT				
Location:		Date: / /		Time: : <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
Weather Conditions:				
Wind:	<input type="checkbox"/> Nil	<input type="checkbox"/> Slight	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Strong
Seas:	<input type="checkbox"/> Calm	<input type="checkbox"/> Chop	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Rough
Wave Height:	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 – 0.5m	<input type="checkbox"/> 0.5 – 1.5m	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 – 2.5m	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5m +
Visibility:	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor (dark or thick fog)		<input type="checkbox"/> OK (some fog or dawn/dusk light)	<input type="checkbox"/> Good (clear and well lit)
Summary of incident:				
Involvement of nominee:				
Equipment used:				
Outcome:				

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## NOMINATION FORM: ENDORSEMENTS

<b>CLUB ENDORSEMENT</b>			
<b>Name of Club/Service:</b>		<b>Name of Club/Service representative:</b>	
<b>Club rep. contact phone</b>		<b>Club rep. contact email:</b>	
<b>Club rep. comments or rationale:</b>			
<b>Club rep. signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	

<b>BRANCH ENDORSEMENT (NSW AND QLD ONLY)</b>			
<b>Name of Branch:</b>		<b>Name of Branch Rep.:</b>	
<b>Branch rep. contact</b>		<b>Branch rep. contact email:</b>	
<b>Branch rep. comments or rationale:</b>			
<b>Branch rep.</b>		<b>Date:</b>	

<b>STATE/TERRITORY ENDORSEMENT</b>			
<b>State/Territory:</b>		<b>Name of State/Territory rep:</b>	
<b>State/Territory rep. contact phone no:</b>		<b>State/Territory rep. contact email:</b>	
<b>State/Territory rep. comments or rationale:</b>			
<b>State/Territory rep. signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	

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