



AUSTRALIAN LIFESAVING
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Silver Medallion Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver

Course Description

The aim of this course is to provide participants with the skills and knowledge to effectively drive and manage an Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) in surf rescue operations.

Visit the [Participant Resources](#) page of the SLSNSW website for IRB Driver Resources.

Award

Upon successful completion of this course participants will receive the SLSA Silver Medallion Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver award and a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment for the following units of competency:

- PUAEQU001B - Prepare, maintain and test response equipment
- PUASAR001B - Undertake a rescue operation in a small powercraft

Course content

- Prepare for rescue boat operation
- Operate rescue boat
- Conduct emergency drills
- Conduct rescue boat search and recovery
- Recover and restore vessel
- Determine current location, destination and resources
- Determine and plan a safe course
- Navigate to destination
- Return to home port
- Complete post navigational activities
- Maintain effective communications

Entry Requirements

- Participants must be a minimum of 17 years of age on the date of final assessment.
- Participants must hold the following units of competency:
 - PUASAR009B Participate in an aquatic rescue operations
 - PUAOPE002B Operate communication systems and equipment
 - PUACOM001C Communicate in the workplace
 - PUAEME001B Provide emergency care OR
 - HLTF201B Provide basic emergency life support
- Participants must meet the following SLSA requirements:
 - Hold a current SLSA Bronze Medallion
 - Hold a current SLSA IRB Crewperson certificate
 - Have +10 hours of IRB crewing experience evidenced by a log



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General Information

The duration of the course is approximately 8-10 sessions.

Assessment

Assessment is through demonstration, presentation and application of all elements of competency in the workplace. Participants will be required to complete activities that may include role-plays, oral and written questioning, practical demonstrations and performing scenarios.

RPL

If you believe you already possess some or all of the skills and knowledge of this course, you may wish to apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). Consult the SLSNSW RPL Guide for Applicants available on the Participant Resources page of the SLSNSW website.

Course Enquiries

Direct your course enquiries to your **Chief Training Officer** at your club.



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