



Anglesea SLSC Policy Document

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TITLE: IRB Driver Training Standard

PURPOSE

- To ensure that the ASLSC delivers IRBD training to the highest standard,
- To ensure that drivers trained by ASLSC can drive in a variety of surf conditions,
- To ensure that ASLSC IRB drivers understand and adhere to LSV, SLSA & ASLSC policies, procedures and training standards.
- To ensure that all IRBD training delivered adheres to ASLSC risk management and safety requirements.
- To provide an opportunity for existing IRB drivers to refresh and complete further training to improve skills/knowledge.

INTRODUCTION

IRB's are a critical resource benefiting ASLSC patrolling, training/development, surf sports, club fundraisers and Nipper efforts.

The following rules have been set by Anglesea Surf Life Saving Club (ASLSC), and have been designed to ensure that the training delivered is compliant with SLSA and LSV standards, ASLSC policies, risk management principles whilst ensuring that trainees are trained to the highest possible standard prior to assessment.

POLICY – This policy outlines:

1. Trainee pre-requisite requirements
2. Trainer requirements
3. Minimum driver trainee training hours & conditions
4. Additional ASLSC IRBD knowledge
5. Post Competency Training

1. Trainee pre-requisite requirements:

All trainees prior to commencing water-based IRB Driver training must:

- Be current financial members of a club;
- Hold a current Bronze Medallion;
- Hold a current IRB crew certificate;
- Hold a current Marine Licence.
- At least 17 years old on the date for final assessment.



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2. Trainer requirements:

All trainers prior to delivering IRB Driver and/or crew person training must:

- Be current financial members of a club;
- Hold a current Bronze Medallion;
- Hold a current IRB Crew & IRB Drivers certificate;
- Hold a current Marine Licence;
- If part of a training program/course hold a Training Officers Certificate (TOC IRB) or be under the direct supervision of a Trainer with Training Officers Certificate (TOC IRB);
- If training is occurring on patrol it is recommended where possible that a Training Officers Certificate (TOC IRB) be present;
- Ensure when delivering water-based training that at least one trainer is on the beach supervising and in communication (signals or radio);
- Ensure that a ratio of 1 Trainer (TOC IRB qualified) is supervising no more than 2 hulls at a time;
- Be approved to deliver training program/session by the Director Member Development, Vice President Lifesaving or delegate;
- Ensure that all trainees & trainers are wearing the required PPE including lifejacket and helmet;
- Ensure that all training adheres to SLSA & LSV training standards;
- Ensure that all ASLSC, LSV & SLSA policies are adhered to.

3. Minimum training hours & conditions:

IRB's are a critical and high profile resource that require significant skill and knowledge to operate. To ensure that trainees have the required skill and knowledge to operate an IRBD ASLSC has set a minimum in-water training hours' requirements for all ASLSC trainees prior to attempting the IRBD assessment, which is at a higher standard than LSV requirements.

The minimum in-water training requirement is 16 hours of driving practice.

The 16 hours must include the following conditions as a minimum:

- 2 hours of in-surf zone (above 1 metre waves) training;
- 1 hours of in-surf zone (above 1 metre waves) patient pick-ups training;
- 30 minutes of in-surf zone (above 1 metre waves) solo driver training;
- Ability to perform a rollover procedure on a motor.

The above requirements must be met prior to an assessment being carried out. This is to be signed off by the trainer responsible and will be recorded on the ASLSC Trainee Log book.



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4. Additional ASLSC IRBD knowledge:

Whilst not assessable, all ASLSC IRBD trainees are also to be trained on the following:

- ASLSC policies & procedures related to IRB allocation, operation maintenance, reporting and call out procedures;
- The local coastal geography/features, including the location of reefs, rocks, aquatic hazards and access points between Point Addis and Point Roadknight.

5. Post Competency Training:

To ensure that existing IRB drivers continue to refresh and improve their skills and knowledge a variety of dry and water-based training will be delivered. Attendance at sessions will be optional.