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Circular No: C09003
TO: Chief Instructors, Club Secretaries, BOLS, BOSS
FROM: Joy Fisher, Academy Manager
DATE: 11th February 2009
SUBJECT: **Training Officer and Assessor Accreditation Courses**

Training Officer Course

The first Training Officer Accreditation Course for 2009 will be held in March – Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 24, 26, 31 March and 2 April, 6.30 pm to 10 pm, venue to be advised.

Numbers are strictly limited for this course, so if you have any likely trainers in your club, please encourage them to enrol by 16 March 2009.

As per SLSA standards (page 144 of the Surf Lifesaving Training Manual, 32nd edition, Version 2 & 3) all persons seeking to obtain their Training Officer Certificate are required to have successfully completed the unit of competency: TAADEL301C 'Provide training through instruction and demonstration of work skills' **before** they can commence training by themselves for any SLSA award. All assessment requests now require training officers to be recorded in Surfguard along with their trainees.

Prerequisites:

Candidates for this course must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Be a registered member of an SLSSA club
2. Be at least 16 years old
3. Hold the award for the discipline they wish to train. e.g. Bronze Medallion

Course details:

The course will cover the requirements for DEL301C 'Provide training through instruction and demonstration of work skills', the unit of competency that SLSA and RTO guidelines now require that every SLSA Training Officer holds.

Upon completion of this course and the associated assessment activities, participants will be awarded a nationally recognised statement of attainment from the TAA40104 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment: TAADEL301C Provide training through instruction and demonstration of work skills. Training officers are only required to attend a DEL301C training course once.

Recognition of Prior Learning:

Individuals who have previous training experience, or hold their Training Officer Certificate but do not hold a formal training qualification ('Provide training through instruction and demonstration of work skills' or 'Train Small Groups') are encouraged to apply for recognition of prior learning. Training officers wishing to be exempted from the course due to prior learning must apply to SLSSA; the RPL document is available on the website under Courses, then Resources.



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Assessor

The first assessor course for 2009 will be held after the 2008-2009 season is over. It will be on a Saturday and Sunday, in May or June, specific dates yet to be decided, with some pre-reading required. Again, numbers are strictly limited, so please encourage your potential assessors to register when the course appears on the website.

As per SLSA standards (page 145 of the Surf Lifesaving Training Manual, 32nd edition, Version 2 & 3) all persons seeking to obtain their Assessor Certificate are required to have successfully completed the units of competency:

TAAASS401 Plan and organise assessment

TAAASS402 Assess competence

TAAASS404 Participate in assessment

(not TAAASS403 Develop assessment tools as shown on page 145 of the Surf Lifesaving Training Manual)

before they can assess any SLSA award.

Prerequisites:

Candidates for this course must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Be a registered member of an SLSSA club
2. Be at least 18 years old
3. Hold the award for the discipline they wish to assess. e.g. Bronze Medallion
4. Hold the Training Officer certificate for the discipline they wish to assess

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