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## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

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### TO JOIN

#### **'LIFESAVER JET RESCUE BOAT CREW'**

The Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Service has provided key emergency service and patrol operations for many years in South Australia. The Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Service conducts regular surveillance patrols and rescue missions in the Metropolitan, Mid South and Far South Coast areas, in addition to other areas of the State.

The Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Service is the key group utilised in 24 hour emergency call outs and at times works in close liaison with the SA Police and other emergency service agencies.

The Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat service works closely with the volunteer beach patrols of clubs and actively supports the SLSSA strategy of making South Australian beaches safer. The service also works closely with other support service groups eg, Westpac Lifesaver Helicopter Rescue Service.

We are currently seeking applications from suitably qualified and proficient Surf Life Savers to undertake training and operational duties as part of this Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew. This is a demanding and challenging position.

As Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew you will be expected to complete rostered volunteer on weekends and public holidays, attend training sessions and crew meetings and participate in any other activities organised by the service. This will include operations for SLSSA Surf Sport events and other special events outside of SLSSA activities.

In addition to any Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew duties you will be required to maintain an active interest in your club and complete all patrol commitments as required by your club.

The Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat service provides opportunities for qualified crew to move on to become and obtain Driver and Skipper qualifications on meeting various pre-requisites.

#### **Minimum Crew Applicant Criteria**

To be suitable to submit an application you must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Be physically fit.
- Be of the age of at least 16 years.
- Be a financial member of an affiliated Surf Life Saving Club.
- Be proficient in the minimum awards as outlined below.
- Attend and pass the Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat fitness assessments as set.



## Minimum SLSA Awards

*If you do not hold these awards you cannot apply for this position. All awards must be current.*

- Bronze Medallion
- Advanced Resuscitation Certificate

Other awards additional to those specified above will be taken into account when selecting candidates. Demonstrated IRB experience will be particularly well regarded.

## Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew Fitness/Operational Test Requirements

Fitness assessment criteria are continually being updated to ensure that all applicants are prepared for the rigours associated with being a member of the service. They have and will continue to be designed to ensure that all crew can demonstrate the physical endurance and strength required to safely and efficiently carry out RWC Operator duties.

At a minimum crew applicants who meet the minimum award criteria will be required to complete the following to continue to the next stage:

- 400m swim within a time limit of no more than 8 minutes.

## Other Requirements

Crew applicants may be required to undertake one or a series of other assessments from time to time.

All applicants must be conscious of operational factors including that patrol days are generally from 1000 – 1800, however may vary due to special event and or Surf Sport requirements.

The service will also form part of the 24 hour call out group which may also mean Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew may be required to respond at other times outside of patrol periods.

## Interview Process

The Chairman, Board of Lifesaving will reserve the right to conduct interviews for the selection of candidates for this service if deemed appropriate and/or necessary, as advised by the State Jet Rescue Boat Officer.

## Applications

Applications must be submitted on a Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew Application Form which can be obtained by contacting SLSSA on 8354 6900 or from the Web Site [www.surfrescue.com.au](http://www.surfrescue.com.au)

## Overview of Process

- Applications received
- Applicants that meet award criteria invited to complete swim assessment.
- Successful applicants advised and invited to participate in formal Lifesaver Jet Rescue Boat Crew training activity.



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*As already noted the Chairman, Board of Lifesaving may choose to also conduct an interview process.*