

To: Club captains Lifesavers and lifeguards
Club trainers and assessors Patrol captains

From: Lifesaving services

Date: 7 February 2024

Action: Submit application by 12 March 2024

Rescue water craft operator – EOI

As part of LSV's ongoing commitment to the development of the Rescue Water Craft (RWC) Service, we are now welcoming applications from suitably qualified and proficient lifesavers.

The RWC service operates across Victoria at nine different sites to provide adequate patrolling and response to Victoria's coastline. As an RWC operator, you will be expected to complete rostered shifts, attend training sessions, state/area briefings, skills maintenance sessions and maintain minimum pre – requisite awards.

LSV will be conducting one course, as listed below, with only 12 positions available.

Date	Location	Type
20, 21, 27, 28 April 2024	Ocean Grove	Weekend delivery

Course expectations

Applicants must be available across all four training days to be eligible for the course and complete an online theory component prior to the session.

LSV will cover lunch and snacks for the day however, further meals, accommodation, and travel will be at the candidate's expense.

RWC applicant criteria

To be suitable to apply, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a minimum 18 years of age at the time you submit an EOI
- Be a current financial and proficient member of a Life Saving Victoria affiliated life saving club or service
- Have completed a minimum of three (3) years active beach patrol in Victoria
- A proven excellence in patrol attendance
- Have an understanding of LSV's SOPs
- Proven teamwork and communication skills

- Clear situational and incident awareness
- Current Driver's License and Marine Licence **with PWC endorsement**
- Current Working with Children Check
- Be proficient in the minimum awards as outlined below
- Gain written endorsement from club president, secretary or club captain

Pre-requisites

All applicants must meet the below criteria by the start date of the course to be eligible to be put on an upcoming course for the award.

RWC pre-requisites
Bronze Medallion (BM)/Certificate II in Public Safety
Provide Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation – (HLTAID009)
Provide First Aid – (HLTAID0011)
Provide Advanced Resuscitation Technique – (HLTAID015)
Silver Medallion Patrol Captain
SSV Operator
IRB Crew (IRBC)
IRB Driver (IRBD)

Other awards, additional to those specified above, will be considered when selecting candidates. Demonstrated beach management, IRB experience, and previous participation at an advanced lifesaving camp/course will be particularly well regarded.

For further courses please refer to mt.lsv.com.au for upcoming opportunities or alternatively, please reach out to your club's training and assessment officer.

Due to the high level of interest, any application which does not meet the minimum requirements will be discarded.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure via [Members Portal - SLSA](#) that their awards are current prior to applying and on an ongoing basis to continue to remain eligible.

Other expectations and requirements

All applicants must be conscious of operational factors, including that;

- Rostered shifts can vary, starting from 10am to 12pm, and some sites ending as late as 8pm.
- Some RWC operations relating to emergency response or events, can be at any time of the day within daylight hours.

- Rostered duty may result in operators travelling to sites (within reason).
- RWC operators must provide availability for a minimum of four shifts spread between Boxing Day and Australia Day.
- They must also provide availability for a minimum of two shifts per month for the patrol season outside of the peak period and can expect to be rostered to an average of at least one shift per month.

Application process

Members are invited to apply by clicking on the below link. Positions are limited, and the decision on successful applicants will move through an application process.

Application Form: [RWC Operator Course EOI](#)

Applications must be received by **11:59pm on Sunday 12 of March 2024**. Any applications received after this date will not be accepted.

RWC Operator Recruitment Timeline

7 February	Circular released
21 February	Applications close
21 Feb - 24 March	Applications reviewed & invites to interview offered
25 March	Successful applicants notified
17 April	Online learning – theory
20, 21, 27, 28 April	Course conducted

**** Please note these dates are subject to change based on availability and should only be taken as a rough guide**

For additional details on this circular, please contact:
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