



Surf Life Saving Australia - Circular

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Approved Lifesaving Gear & Equipment Update

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Summary

Following the recent Board of Lifesaving meetings held in February, several new lifesaving equipment items have been approved for surf lifesaving use.

Background

The National Lifesaving Gear & Equipment Panel oversees the trialing of new and modified lifesaving equipment, ensuring that each item meets SLSA specifications (where applicable) and ascertaining its suitability for use within surf life saving clubs and services. The G&E Panel then makes recommendations to the Board of Lifesaving accordingly.

Newly Approved Items

Members are advised that the following items have recently been approved for all surf lifesaving activities:

Category	Item Name
All Terrain Vehicles	Yamaha Rhino 700 ATV (Side X Side) Yamaha Grizzly 700 ATV (Utility)
IRB Hulls	Thundercat 377 (Class 1) Achilles CH-385 – Cat Hull (Class 3)
RWC Skis	Yamaha VX700 Waverunner Honda AquaTrax F12 Jet Ski
RWC Sleds	Swellrider Rescue Sled
RWC Accessories	Gecko Marine Safety Helmet (GMSH) MK10 Gath Gedi Helmet

Details of the manufacturers / distributors of these items have been added to the SLSA Approved Gear & Equipment List displayed on the SLSA website (see over page).

Please note: Equipment approved by the Board of Lifesaving may still be restricted / prohibited for use within surf sports. Please refer to the appropriate competition rules and surf sports bulletins for updates on approved racing equipment.



Approved Gear & Equipment List

SLSA maintains a comprehensive list of approved lifesaving related equipment that fall within certain key categories (e.g. Inflatable Rescue Boats, Defibrillators, Oxygen Resuscitators). Affiliated clubs and services are required to utilise ONLY the gear and equipment that has been approved by SLSA, as listed within each of the various categories.

The complete SLSA Approved Gear & Equipment List is available from the Gear & Equipment page on the SLSA website, via the following link:

<http://www.slsa.com.au/default.aspx?s=gearandequipment>

The following SLSA informational flyer may also be useful for clubs:

http://www.slsa.com.au/site/_content/resource/00001648-docsource.pdf

Further Information

For enquiries about gear & equipment, please contact SLSA's National Lifesaving Development Officer, Matthew Bruce on (02) 9300 4000 or by e-mail at mbruce@slsa.asn.au.