

Categories & Conditions of Membership

Eligibility and membership responsibilities (conditions of membership) are detailed below for each category.

2021/22 Season

- Membership renewals open on 16th of July and must be completed online via the [SLSA Members Portal](#)
- Memberships renewals must be completed by **Tuesday 24th August 2021**. Tags automatically deactivate on **Tuesday 31st August 2021** for any memberships not renewed. This includes gym access.
- Memberships are not finalised until **BOTH** the online membership renewal form has been completed and payment has been made.
- It can take up to 5 working days to finalise membership renewals and update tags and we encourage all members to renew as soon as possible to ensure continuity of access.
- The Club has made some provision to support the membership renewal of existing members that are experiencing financial hardship due to Covid-19. Please email Club General Manager, Peter Butcher, at management@brontesurfclub.com.au if you wish to be considered for this support.

Members are advised to familiarise themselves with the terms of their membership category below, and be willing to comply before finalising membership.

It is important to note that payment of membership fees indicates that you agree to the published terms of membership and the penalties for non-compliance of your applicable category.

Probationary (aged 15+)

During the time between applying for membership and the granting of a formal category of membership by the Club, and gaining an award (e.g. Bronze Medallion) if applicable.

Cadet (13-15 years)

Under 15 years - For members between the ages of 13 and 15 who have obtained the Surf Rescue Certificate and who fulfil club obligations, including maintaining their award by attending an annual skills maintenance session.

[Conditions of Cadet Membership](#)

Active (15 – 17 Years)

Under 17 years - For members between the ages of 15 and 17 who have obtained or are training towards the Bronze Medallion in that season. Members that already hold their Bronze medallion must fulfil club obligations, including maintaining their award by attending an annual skills maintenance session.

[Conditions of Active \(15 - 18 Years\) Membership](#)

Active (18 years & over)

A Bronze medallion holder aged 18 years or more who fulfils full patrol and club obligations, and maintains their award by attending an annual skills maintenance session, unless the member has obtained the Bronze in that season.

[Conditions of Active \(18 years & over\) Membership](#)

Leave / Restricted

An Active member (SRC or Bronze medallion holder) who because of extenuating circumstances has requested in writing to the Club Captain and been approved by the Board of Management a restricted duties membership for that season only.

Reserve Active

Members who have satisfactorily completed 8 years of patrols and service, recording a minimum of 30 hours per season with Bronte SLSC or any other club affiliated with Surf Life Saving Australia. Members may elect not to be rostered to a regular patrol team and are required to perform a minimum of 12 patrol hours per season. This is required both for SLSA eligibility to compete, as well as for transition to Long Service after 10 Years. If the member remains on a patrol team they must meet full patrol requirements.

To view the criteria and application process for transitioning from Active to Reserve Active membership, please [click here](#).

[Conditions of Reserve Active Membership](#)

Long Service

Members who have satisfactorily completed 8 continuous years Active Service and at least 2 continuous years Reserve Active Service. Exempt from patrol obligations.

To view the criteria and application process for transitioning from Reserve Active to Long Service membership, please [click here](#).

[Conditions of Long Service Membership](#)

General Member (Nipper Parent)

Allows nipper parents to assist on the beach during nipper activities, and includes insurance cover provided by SLSA. Membership must be renewed annually.

[Conditions of General Membership](#)

Associate

Members must be at least 35 years of age and have full access to club facilities including the option to join the gym at the current published rate. All club members are subject to the club's constitution and regulations

Life Membership

Life Membership is only granted following nomination and approval by the Board of Management, for distinguished service to Bronte Surf Life Saving Club.

Honorary

Elected for a period of one year at the discretion of the Board of Management, primarily in recognition of exceptional service to Bronte. Gym access is not included, but may be purchased at the current published rate. Honorary members do not hold voting rights.

Cadet (13-15 years)

Conditions of Cadet Membership

As a Cadet member of Bronte SLSC, you agree to meet the following 3 responsibilities:

1. Attend an annual skills maintenance session to keep your awards current

Keep your Surf Rescue Certificate qualification (and IRB Crew if applicable) current by attending an annual skills maintenance session. SRC & IRBC Awards expire on 31st December each year.

2. Attend Patrols to a minimum number of hours per season

We recognise that our Cadets have busy weekends with conflicting sporting commitments and aim to make the transition from Nipper to Cadet as easy as possible. We offer Cadets the following 2 options:

a. Sunday morning Cadet Patrols Program

This program requires a minimum of 20 patrol hours per season, including:

i. Attendance at **rostered patrols**

Cadet Patrols run 8:00am – 11.30am every Sunday during patrol season. Cadets and Junior Active members are allocated to a specific patrol. Attendance is compulsory. If you are unable to attend a rostered patrol, you must advise the Director of Cadets of your absence and nominate a date for a make-up patrol.

ii. Contribute a minimum of **3 volunteer hours for the B2B swim**

iii. Patrol either the **Garie outpost patrol** in February or a **public holiday**

-or-

b. Be allocated to a regular Patrol Team - equivalent to approx. 30 hours per season

You are required attend all rostered patrols or find a substitute if you are unable to attend. The club provides an interactive swap forum SWAPSEA for members to find patrol substitutes.

You are also required to volunteer for a minimum of **3 hours for the B2B swim** (either pre, during or post the event). With prior written approval from club administration you may substitute these voluntary hours for another club activity. For a full list of volunteer roles and to sign up, [click here](#).

Full responsibilities of all patrolling members including cadets are detailed in the club [Regulations](#)

COMPETITORS: All competitors from U15 up to Masters must accrue a minimum of 25 hours per calendar year to comply with Surf Lifesaving Australia Competition requirements. [View the full policy here](#)

Each year that you meet the minimum requirements for your membership category counts towards Long Service membership.

What if I don't meet my commitments?

Failure to attend an annual skills maintenance session

It is a Surf Life Saving Australia requirement that all member Awards are current for the volunteer role they perform. I.E. Surf Rescue Certificate, IRB Crew. If you have not renewed your Award by 31st December in the year you are patrolling, you will no longer be able to patrol or provide water safety. Your membership will be suspended and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season. You will not have access to club equipment or facilities.

Failure to accrue a minimum of 10 patrol and/or water safety hours per season

If you fail to log at least 5 voluntary hours either patrolling or water safety by 1st February of the current season your membership will be suspended, and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season.

Rostered Patrols

We rely on our members attending the patrol dates they are rostered to and we monitor member attendance throughout the season. If you are a “no-show” for two or more rostered patrols your membership & club access tag will be suspended and you will be required to attend a judiciary panel of the Life Saving Committee to give reason why your membership should not be suspended for the remainder of the season.

Active (15 - 17 Years)

Conditions of Active (15 - 17 Years) Membership

As a Junior Active member (15-18 years) member of Bronte SLSC you agree to meet the following 3 responsibilities:

1) Attend an annual skills maintenance session to keep your awards current

Keep your Bronze Medallion and any other relevant qualification current by attending an annual skills maintenance session. Bronze, ARTC, Spinal Management, IRB Crew and IRB Driver expire on 31st December each year. If you obtained your Bronze Medallion between January & April you are required to attend a skills maintenance session prior to December in that same year.

2) Volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

The B2B is the clubs most important fundraising event for the season. We raise vital funds to support all club activities and provide equipment for Nippers, Education, Lifesaving and Competition. ALL club members (excluding nippers) are required to volunteer for a minimum of 3 hours relating to the event (either pre, during or post the event). With prior written approval from club administration you may substitute these voluntary hours for another club activity. For a full list of volunteer roles and to sign up, [click here](#).

3) Attend Patrols or provide water safety for a minimum number of hours per season

We recognise that our Junior members are busy with school study and conflicting sporting commitments, we therefore make maintaining membership as easy as possible. We therefore offer Junior Active's the following 2 options:

a. Sunday morning Cadet Patrols Program

This program requires a minimum of 20 patrol hours per season, including:

- i. Attendance at **rostered patrols**
Cadet Patrols run 8:00am – 11.30am every Sunday during patrol season. Cadets and Junior Active members are allocated to a specific patrol. Attendance is compulsory. If you are unable to attend a rostered patrol, you must advise the Director of Cadets of your absence and nominate a date for a make-up patrol.
- ii. Contribute a minimum of **3 volunteer hours for the B2B swim**
- iii. Patrol either the **Garie outpost patrol** in February or a **public holiday**

-or-

b. Be allocated to a regular Patrol Team - equivalent to approx. 30 hours per season

You are required attend all rostered patrols or find a substitute if you are unable to attend. The club provides an interactive swap forum SWAPSEA for members to find patrol substitutes.

You are also required to volunteer for a minimum of **3 hours for the B2B swim** (either pre, during or post the event). With prior written approval from club administration you may substitute these voluntary hours for another club activity. For a full list of volunteer roles and to sign up, [click here](#).

Full responsibilities of all patrolling members including cadets are detailed in the club [Regulations](#)

***COMPETITORS:** All competitors from U15 up to Masters must accrue a minimum of 25 hours per calendar year to comply with Surf Lifesaving Australia Competition requirements. [View the full policy here](#)

Each year that you meet the minimum requirements for your membership category counts towards Long Service membership.

What if I don't meet my commitments?

Failure to attend an annual skills maintenance session

It is a Surf Life Saving Australia requirement that all member Awards are current for the volunteer role they perform. I.E. Surf Rescue Certificate, IRB Crew. If you have not renewed your Award by 31st December in the year you are patrolling, you will no longer be able to patrol or provide water safety. Your membership will be suspended and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season. You will not have access to club equipment or facilities.

Failure to accrue a minimum of 20 patrol and or water safety hours per season

If you fail to log at least 5 voluntary hours either patrolling or water safety by 1st February of the current season your membership will be suspended and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season.

Rostered Patrols We rely on our members attending the patrol dates they are rostered to and we monitor member attendance throughout the season. If you are a "no-show" for two or more rostered patrols your membership & club access tag will be suspended and you will be required to attend a judiciary panel of the Life Saving Committee to give reason why your membership should not be suspended for the remainder of the season.

Active (18 years & over)

Conditions of Active (18 years & over) Membership

As an Active member (18 years & over) member of Bronte SLSC you agree to meet the following 3 responsibilities:

1) Attend an annual skills maintenance session to keep your awards current

Keep your Bronze Medallion and any other relevant qualification current by attending an annual skills maintenance session. Bronze, ARTC, Spinal Management, IRB Crew and IRB Driver expire on 31st December each year. If you obtained your Bronze Medallion between January & April you are required to attend a skills maintenance session prior to December in that same year.

2) Volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

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3) Accrue patrol or water safety hours to a minimum of 30 hours per season via one of the following two options:

a) Be part of a regular Patrol Team

As a Bronze medallion holder you will be allocated to a set patrol team and will be required to attend all rostered patrols or find a substitute if you are unable to attend. The club provides an interactive swap forum SWAPSEA for members to find patrol substitutes. Full responsibilities of all members are detailed in the club Regulations.

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b) As a nipper parent Water Safety Team member

You are required to meet the following commitments:

- A minimum of 3 hours water safety or other voluntary contribution to the Bondi to Bronte Swim
- A minimum of 17 hrs logged water safety for Nippers activities per season
- Attend one 5-hour rostered Sunday afternoon per season.

Please note the above equals to 25 hours, if you would like to be eligible for Reserve Active membership you must accrue at least 30 hours per season.

***COMPETITORS:** All competitors from U15 up to Masters must accrue a minimum of 25 hours per calendar year to comply with Surf Lifesaving Australia Competition requirements. [View the full policy here](#)

Each year that you meet the minimum requirements for your membership category (30 logged hours) counts towards Long Service membership.

What if I don't meet my commitments?

Failure to attend an annual skills maintenance session

It is a Surf Life Saving Australia requirement that all member Awards are current for the volunteer role they perform. I.E. Bronze Medallion, IRB Crew or IRB Driver. If you have not renewed your Award by 31st December in the year you are patrolling, you will no longer be able to patrol or provide water safety. Your membership will be suspended and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season. You will not have access to club equipment or facilities.

Failure to accrue a minimum of 30 patrol and or water safety hours per season

If you are not allocated to a patrol and fail to log at least 14 voluntary hours either patrolling or water safety by 1st February of the current season your membership will be suspended and your club access tag cancelled for the remainder of the season.

Rostered Patrols We rely on our members attending the patrol dates they are rostered to and we monitor member attendance throughout the season. If you are a "no-show" for two or more rostered patrols your membership & club access tag will be suspended and you will be required to attend a judiciary panel of the Life Saving Committee to give reason why your membership should not be suspended for the remainder of the season.

Failure to volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

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Reserve Active

Members who have satisfactorily completed 8 years of patrols and service, recording a minimum of 30 hours per season with Bronte SLSC or any other club affiliated with Surf Life Saving Australia. Members may elect not to be rostered to a regular patrol team and are required to perform a minimum of 12 patrol hours per season. This is required both for SLSA eligibility to compete, as well as for transition to Long Service after 10 Years. If the member remains on a patrol team they must meet full patrol requirements.

Conditions of Reserve Active Membership

As a Reserve Active club member, you agree to meet the 3 following requirements:

1) Attend an annual skills maintenance to keep your awards current

Keep your Bronze Medallion & any other relevant qualification current by attending an annual skills maintenance session. Bronze, ARTC, Spinal Management, IRB Crew & IRB Driver expire on 31st December each year {link here to skills maintenance dates and full details}

2) Volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

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3) Accrue a minimum of 12 patrol hours per season

As a Reserve Active club member you are not required to be part of a regular patrol team. In that case, it is your responsibility attend patrols on a voluntary basis to a minimum of 12 hours within the season. The minimum 12 hours required per season corresponds with Surf Lifesaving Australia requirements for all competitors in the U15 and above age groups.

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If you choose to remain allocated to a set patrol team you will be required to attend all rostered patrols or find a substitute if you are unable to attend. The club provides an interactive swap forum SWAPSEA for members to find patrol substitutes.

Full responsibilities of all patrolling members are detailed in the club Regulations

What if I don't meet my commitments?

Failure to attend an annual Skills Maintenance session

It is a Surf Life Saving Australia insurance requirement that all member Awards are current for the volunteer role they perform. I.E. Bronze, ARTC, Spinal Management, IRB Crew, IRB Driver. If you have not renewed your Award by 31st December in the year you are patrolling, you will no longer be able to patrol or provide water safety. Your membership and your club access tag will be suspended for the remainder of the season and you will not have access to club equipment or facilities.

Failure to accrue a minimum of 12 patrol hours per season

All reserve active members not allocated to a patrol team are required to log a minimum of 12 patrol hours per season. If by 1st February you have not accrued at least 4 patrol hours your membership

and club access tag will be suspended and you will be required to attend a judiciary panel of the Life Saving Committee to give reason why your membership should not be suspended for the remainder of the season.

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Reserve Active allocated to a patrol team

We rely on our members attending the patrol dates they are rostered to and we monitor member attendance throughout the season. If you are a “no-show” for two or more patrols your membership & club access tag will be suspended and you will be required to attend a judiciary panel of the Life Saving Committee to give reason why your membership should not be suspended for the remainder of the season.

Failure to volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

The B2B is the clubs most important fundraising event for the season. We raise vital funds to support all activities and provide equipment for Nippers, Education, Lifesaving and Competition. If you have committed to volunteer and do not attend on the day your membership will be suspended for the remainder of the season.

Long Service

Members who have satisfactorily completed 8 continuous years Active Service and at least 2 continuous years Reserve Active Service and been approved as Long Service by the Board of Management. Exempt from patrol obligations.

Conditions of Long Service Membership

Long Service Members who wish to remain involved in Active duties must fulfil the following requirements:

Any Long Service Member that wishes to continue to be active within the club as a lifesaver, water safety or competitor must maintain their relevant awards. E.G. if you wish to provide water safety for nippers or the Bondi to Bronte Ocean Swim.

Attend an annual skills maintenance to keep your awards current

Keep your Bronze Medallion & any other relevant qualification current by attending an annual skills maintenance session. Bronze, ARTC, Spinal Management, IRB Crew & IRB Driver expire on 31st December each year {[link here to skills maintenance dates and full details](#)}

Volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

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What if I don't meet my commitments?

Failure to attend an annual skills maintenance

Long Service members that wish to remain active within the club or for competition must keep their Bronze Medallion Award current by attending a skills maintenance session before 31st December in the season you are registered. Lapsed members are not able to patrol or provide water safety for the remainder of that season. If your Bronze medallion award is lapsed for more than two seasons you may be required to attend an in-depth proficiency or for more than four seasons you may be required to re-do your bronze medallion should you wish to become active or compete.

Failure to volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

The B2B is the clubs most important fundraising event for the season. We raise vital funds to support all activities and provide equipment for Nippers, Education, Lifesaving and Competition.

In recognition of service to the club, we do not require long service members to volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte swim. We do of course appreciate, and encourage long service members to remain involved in this significant club event.

General Member (Nipper Parent)

Allows nipper parents to assist on the beach during nipper activities, and includes insurance cover provided by SLISA. Membership must be renewed annually.

Conditions of General Membership

1) Attend two BBQ shifts at nippers on Sunday morning.

The Sunday morning BBQ is a major source of income to fund equipment for nipper activities. All nipper parents not providing Water Safety are required to help on the BBQ for two rostered shifts per season. Shifts are rostered by age group and the roster is published at the start of the season.

2) Volunteer at the Bondi to Bronte (B2B) Ocean Swim

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