



DATE 13th November 2013
SUBJECT High Visibility Clothing – All Aquatic events and/or activities

Approved by Board of Lifesaving and Branch Executive; endorsed by the Branch Council

The following policy statement was approved at the Sunshine Coast Executive Meeting on Tuesday 15th October 2013 and adopted as Branch Policy from the 8th November 2013 following approval of the Branch Council.

BACKGROUND

Surf Life Saving Sunshine Coast is committed to ensuring all aquatic events and/or activities are run at the highest standard while ensuring the safety of member's remains paramount at all times. With this in mind Surf Life Saving Sunshine Coast has implemented this policy requiring all members in aquatic events and/or activities to wear a high visibility lycra/rash top/singlet. In order to allow clubs and their member's sufficient time to acquire the clothing this policy will come into effect on 1st January 2014.

IMPLEMENTATION

This policy applies to any member who participates in an aquatic event and/or activity endorsed by SLSQ, Sunshine Coast Branch or a Sunshine Coast Branch affiliated club. This includes members from a club outside of Queensland or members of the public who participate in Surf Life Saving Sunshine Coast based aquatic activity and/or events.

The high visibility lycra/rash top/singlet must be worn in **all** aquatic activities and/or events, with the exception of activities or events held in a public pool.

In addition to the above, it is **highly recommended** that a high visibility cap or club cap is worn; however, this will be at the discretion of the club.

There are five high visibility fluorescent colours endorsed by SLSA that SLS affiliated organisations can choose to use:

- Fluorescent Pink (PMS #16-2130 TN 'Knockout Pink')
- Fluorescent Yellow (PMS #13-0630 TN 'Safety Yellow')
- Fluorescent Green (PMS#13-0340 TN 'Green Gecko')
- Fluorescent Orange (PMS# 15-1360-TN 'Shocking orange') (recommended for all water safety personnel)
- Fluorescent Red (PMS#485C)

CONSEQUENCES

Clubs not meeting the above policy standard may be found in breach of lifesaving standards as per the Sunshine Coast Branch Quality Assurance Policy.