



## Patrol Policy

### **INTRODUCTION**

Patrolling is one of the main functions of the Kiama Downs Surf Life Saving Club Inc. There are several ways that a club member can patrol, both on the beach or from the clubhouse.

#### **Purpose**

To ensure that all members follow the correct procedures whilst patrolling at the club or beach.

#### **Responsibility**

The Club Captain is the primary person controlling patrols. The Vice Club Captain and Patrol Captains will assist where required.

#### **Procedure**

All people that wish to patrol must be a financial member of either Kiama Downs Surf Life Saving Club Inc or another Club affiliated to Surf Life Saving Australia. The reason for this is to ensure that they are covered by insurance.

Before any member patrols for the club, they must be proficient in the award that they are patrolling under as set down by SLSNSW. Proficiency must be re-assessed annually and before 31<sup>st</sup> December each year. Under exceptional circumstances an extension can be granted by the Branch Director of Lifesaving.

Each member will be assigned a patrol each season and a roster produced with allotted dates and times for patrol. If a member is unable to fulfil one or more patrols, then a substitute must be found and the patrol captain notified prior to the day of patrol.

To qualify for a 100% patrol attendance the full allotment of rostered patrols must be fulfilled or in the event of a substitute used, then that substitute must be repaid.

Members should arrive 15mins prior to patrol time, and following patrol captains instructions, set the beach up. All equipment used should be inspected prior to use to ensure that it is not damaged and is fit for patrol use.

At the conclusion of patrol the equipment used must be washed and packed away. All equipment must be checked for damage occurred during patrol. Any damages or issues must be reported to patrol captain.

It is the members responsibility to sign the patrol log, failure to do so may lead the member to not be eligible for 100% patrol.

### **CONCLUSION**

The above policy will assist in ensuring that all members are aware of their patrolling duties and responsibilities.