



Dixon Park SLSC Nippers Policy

2024/2025 Season

Nipper Parent Membership Requirements

To deliver a safe, worthwhile and enjoyable Junior Surf Lifesaving Program (JSLP) the Club is reliant on the active involvement of parents in addition to that of other Club members (volunteers). With the increase of Junior participants numbers, there have been increased requirements from a safety and risk management perspective (both on the beach and administration / documentation) The level of training and education required has become increasingly sophisticated leading to an increase in parents' lifesaving qualifications.

Nippers can only register together with a Nipper parent / caregiver / guardian to become members of the Club.

To ensure that we have adequate parental involvement and to encourage and facilitate parents gaining lifesaving qualifications it is the expectation of the Club that **one** parent / caregiver / guardian of a Nipper become a member.

If conducting Water Safety Activities, a **valid Bronze Medallion or Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC)** is required as well as **Working With Children Check (WWCC)**.

If conducting Age Manager Activities, **Age Manager training** is required as well as **Working With Children Check (WWCC)**.

Support to new and existing members will be provided by experienced Members.

There are two types of Member classification, active and non-active. Non-active members are members that do not patrol the Dixon Park beach. These members are encouraged to do the Bronze Medallion or Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC). The cost for the training is included in the non-active membership.

If a Nipper parent / caregiver / guardian is not involved as an Age Manager or Water Safety then it is expected that they assist with other activities such as the BBQ, beach setup and other programmed events.

Online Parent Assistance Form

It is required that at least one of the parent / caregiver / guardian members actively assists with the running of the program. To assist with the organisation of activities, parent / caregiver / guardian helpers must complete the online Nipper Parent Assistance Form with one of three preferred areas (Age Manager, Water Safety, Activities Support). This form will be available at the Dixon Park SLSC Club website before the start of the Nippers season.

This is a **compulsory requirement** if you want your child to participate in the Junior Surf Lifesaving Program and Junior Surf Sports Program of Dixon Park SLSC.

Director of Junior Activities