

## Circular

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<b>Summary:</b>	SLSWA to provide financial support for members to gain a Recreational Skippers Ticket (RST) for IRB and Rescue Water Craft (Jetski) operations.

The Recreational Skippers Ticket (RST) is a nationally-recognised certificate of competency which shows that the holder has the minimum knowledge and practical skills needed to operate a powerboat safely.

It is the minimum qualification needed to operate a powerboat in Western Australia. It is also a pre-requisite for entry into a SLSWA member's power craft training course (e.g. Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver and Jetski Operator).

As this is a compulsory requirement, SLSWA recognises that there is a cost implication to each member that requires this qualification to participate in a power craft training course.

Therefore SLSWA has undertaken to provide financial support to cover the cost of an RST for members where they have been authorised by their Club to participate in a surf life saving power craft course.

SLSWA have agreements in place with authorised RST providers that members can enroll with at no cost to the member. When a member is unable to access the training through an SLSWA nominated supplier then SLSWA will cooperate with the member to identify an alternative, suitable RST provider and SLSWA will meet the cost of the course.

Members are requested to contact SLSWA Training Development Officer Dominic Cowdell (9207 6666 or [dcowdell@skswa.com.au](mailto:dcowdell@skswa.com.au)) in order to assess the availability of trainers/courses and to receive information and instructions on the most appropriate method of gaining an RST qualification.



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