

Circular

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Audience:	Club Administrators, Nipper Directors/Coordinators
Summary:	Clubs are asked to click on the link and complete the 2026/27 Woodside Nipper Information and Order Form by 5pm, Monday 22 June 2026 .
Attachment:	2026/27 Woodside Nipper Information and Order Forms (click here)

BACKGROUND

Under the Woodside Nippers Partnership, every Nipper in U6 – U13's in Western Australia will once again receive the following items in their "Nipper Pack" for the upcoming surf season;

- Age group cap
- Hi-vis vest
- Wide brimmed sunhat

In recognition of being in the oldest Nipper Age Group U13s will receive a backpack.

Please note, SLSWA will no longer be supplying Sling Sacks.

COMPLETION OF INFORMATION AND ORDER FORMS

Officers completing the Nipper Information and Order Forms are asked to confirm with their Club President before submission.

CLUB ALLOCATIONS

Clubs will be allocated quantities of Nipper Pack items based on the following calculations;

1. 2025/26 Nipper membership totals, including totals in each age group in the case of Age Group Caps
2. Additional pack items allowing for growth in an age group as well as overall growth in membership
3. Consideration of the number of excess items returned or retained by clubs to SLSWA at the end of last season

SLSWA reserves the right to ask a club for the return of unallocated pack items for the purposes of supplying to another club who requires additional supplies. SLSWA will use the SurfGuard database and stock records to determine which clubs have items surplus to their needs and a request to return some/all of these excess items may be made.

AGE GROUP CAPS

All Nippers registered for the 2026/27 season are to receive an Age Group Cap which is appropriate to the age groups they fall into as per Table 1 below.

TABLE 1: Age Group Cap Age Range 2026/27

Age Group	Birth Date	Cap Colour
Under 6	1/10/2020 – 30/09/2021	Pink
Under 7	1/10/2019 – 30/09/2020	White
Under 8	1/10/2018 – 30/09/2019	Yellow
Under 9	1/10/2017 – 30/09/2018	Green
Under 10	1/10/2016 – 30/09/2017	Light Blue
Under 11	1/10/2015 – 30/09/2016	Purple
Under 12	1/10/2014 – 30/09/2015	Dark Blue
Under 13	1/10/2013 – 30/09/2014	Red
All Abilities	From 1/10/2020	Teal

The Age Group Caps are the same design as last season. Clubs will be allocated the total number of caps as per Table 2 below. If a club does not receive enough allocation for an age group, it may request additional caps from SLSWA. Clubs may also purchase additional stock from SLSWA for \$5 per item to cover damaged or lost items. Clubs that indicate on their Woodside Nipper Information Form that they are running an All Abilities Nipper Program will be supplied a quantity of teal-coloured caps, via negotiation with SLSWA, for the participants in this program.

TABLE 2: Age Group Cap Allocation 2026/27

Club	Pink	White	Yellow	Green	Light Blue	Purple	Dark Blue	Red	Total
Albany	25	25	24	26	18	24	32	22	196
Alkimos	38	38	28	24	38	30	22	16	234
Binningup	10	10	10	12	10	10	10	12	84
Broome	50	50	48	45	50	27	28	22	320
Busselton	32	32	40	36	18	27	28	22	320
Champion Bay	22	22	30	40	32	28	24	16	215
City of Bunbury	54	54	64	48	44	44	30	24	362
City of Perth	108	108	80	122	78	55	68	34	653
Coogee Beach	100	100	90	96	88	68	62	40	644
Cottesloe	38	38	70	62	74	69	50	45	446
Dalyellup Beach	10	10	16	24	12	18	10	10	110
Dampier	25	25	20	18	24	24	10	12	158
Denmark	18	18	20	25	36	20	28	24	189
Dongara-Denison	10	10	10	10	12	10	10	10	82
Esperance-Goldfields	28	28	40	32	32	25	20	15	220
Floreat	44	44	46	42	42	34	26	28	306
Fremantle	84	84	110	94	54	58	72	38	594
Geraldton	30	30	24	18	20	18	24	12	176
Mandurah	32	32	30	45	24	25	22	22	232
Margaret River	40	40	20	24	10	10	10	10	164
Mullaloo	130	130	152	160	140	116	95	75	998
North Cottesloe	62	62	108	105	84	76	58	28	583
Port Bouvard	20	20	22	24	30	21	10	16	163
Quinns Mindarie	62	62	108	105	84	76	58	28	583
Scarboro	98	98	110	82	65	67	68	60	648
Secret Harbour	34	34	48	32	30	42	30	32	282
Smith Beach	34	34	45	48	32	21	30	10	254
Sorrento	144	144	155	150	150	132	100	92	1067
Swanbourne Nedlands	46	46	60	48	62	43	45	34	384
Trigg Island	96	96	94	94	84	64	50	42	620
Yanchep	40	40	32	20	20	18	15	16	201

U13 BACKPACKS

All registered U13 Nippers will receive a special Backpack in recognition of being in the oldest Nipper Age Group. **Clubs are advised that Backpacks should only be given to registered U13s and no other member and are not to be used as awards.** Please note some clubs have not been allocated backpacks as we have reviewed our records and taken into consideration the stock they should have. If clubs do not have stock or do not receive enough allocation (as detailed in Table 3) for its actual 2026/27 U13 Nippers, it may request additional items from SLSWA.

Clubs may also purchase additional stock from SLSWA for \$20 per item to cover damaged or lost items.

WIDE BRIMMED SUNHAT

All Nippers registered for the 2026/27 season are to receive a Wide Brimmed Sunhat which will be like last season's design. The sunhats come in three different sizes, namely 53cm, 55cm and 57cm so clubs will be required to determine the sizes they require as detailed later in this Circular. If a club does not receive enough allocation (as detailed in Table 3) for its actual 2026/27 Nippers, it may request additional items from SLSWA. Clubs may also purchase additional stock from SLSWA for \$10 per item to cover damaged or lost items.

The swapping of sunhat sizes will be at negotiation with SLSWA and will only be possible if SLSWA believe they have enough spare stock to be able to complete the swap without disadvantaging other clubs. Where possible clubs are asked to outfit Nippers with the stock they have been allocated, as it is the club that has determined the sizing allocation.

HI-VIS VESTS

All Nippers registered for the 2026/27 season are to receive a Hi-vis Vest. The vests come in eight different sizes, Size 6, Size 8, Size 10, Size 12, Size 14, X-Small, Small or Medium so clubs will be required to determine the sizes they require as detailed later in this Circular. If a club does not receive enough allocation (as detailed in Table 3) for its actual 2026/27 Nippers, it may request additional items from SLSWA. Clubs may also purchase additional stock from SLSWA for \$15 per item to cover damaged or lost items.

SLSWA have a quantity of large size vests which can be provided on request.

The swapping of vest sizes will be at negotiation with SLSWA and will only be possible if SLSWA believe they have enough spare stock to be able to complete the swap without disadvantaging other clubs. Where possible clubs are asked to outfit Nippers with the stock they have been allocated, remembering it is the club that has determined sizing not SLSWA.

TABLE 3: U13 Backpacks, Wide Brimmed Sunhat and Hi-vis Vest Club Allocation 2026/27

CLUB	U13 BACKPACKS	WIDE BIMMED HAT	HI-VIS VEST
Albany	22	176	176
Alkimos	16	194	194
Binningup	12	72	72
Broome	12	262	262
Busselton	10	170	170
Champion Bay	16	190	190
City of Bunbury	20	312	312
City of Perth	30	530	530
Coogee Beach	40	540	540
Cottesloe	40	400	400
Dalyellup Beach	9	98	98
Dampier	8	114	114
Denmark	24	183	183
Dongara-Denison	8	56	56
Esperance-Goldfields	15	185	185
Floreat	26	233	233
Fremantle	20	489	489
Geraldton	10	139	139
Mandurah	22	200	200
Margaret River	5	87	87
Mullaloo	75	871	871
North Cottesloe	28	525	525
Port Bouvard	16	143	143
Quinns Mindarie	31	433	433
Scarboro	57	548	548
Secret Harbour	24	246	246
Smith Beach	5	204	204
Sorrento	92	938	938
Swanbourne Nedlands	33	332	332
Trigg Island	42	540	540
Yanchep	16	163	163

HOW TO ORDER SUNHATS AND HI-VIS VESTS

To assist SLSWA gathering information about your club, and to place orders for the wide brimmed sunhats and hi-vis vests, clubs are asked to complete the **2026/27 Woodside Nipper Information and Order Form** ([click here](#)) and submit to nippers@slnswa.com.au by **5pm Monday 22 June 2026**. The link has three distinct tab sections.

Tab 1 – Club Details

The first part of the form is simply gathering key information for our marketing purposes such as registration dates, Woodside Nipper Club Contact and program start date. **Please fill out all cells even if dates and times are tentative.** When dates and times are updated or confirmed please email nippers@slnswa.com.au Please note: The on-beach start date specified in this document is the date we provide to Burley Sekem. **This is the date we have asked them to deliver packs by.**

Tab 2 – Woodside Nippers wide brimmed sunhat

This will provide SLSWA with information to make mass orders on the sunhats. When completing this section clubs are to input numbers based on the figure in Table 3, for example if you are allocated 100 sunhats work out how many 53cm, 55cm and 57cm hats you require, the total cannot exceed 100. Additional sunhats will be available from SLSWA if required. Clubs may be invoiced for additional sunhats at the cost of \$10 each should SLSWA believe they have ample unreturned stock from last season to meet the requirements of their 2026/27 Nippers.

Tab 3 – Woodside Nipper hi-vis vests

This will provide us with information to make mass orders on the hi-vis vest. When completing this section clubs are to input numbers based on the figure in Table 3; for example, if you are allocated 100 hi-vis vests work out how many Size 6, Size 8, Size 10, Size 12, Size 14, XS, S and M, the total cannot exceed 100. Additional vests will be available from SLSWA if required. Clubs may be invoiced for additional sunhats at the cost of \$15 each should SLSWA believe they have ample unreturned stock from last season to meet the requirements of their 2025/26 Nippers.

CLUB SPONSOR & CLUB NAME ON VESTS

Some clubs may be interested in placing a sponsor and/or their Club name on the back of the vest. Clubs will be expected to cover the cost of printing club sponsors and/or club names and can either coordinate this themselves or coordinate through SLSWA. The information below outlines the process.

- a) **Sponsor logo:** This space may be sold by the club to an approved club sponsor on an annual/year-to-year basis. To avoid potential sponsorship conflicts, no club sponsor may be added to the vest unless approved by SLSWA. Please submit a written request identifying the requested sponsor to nippers@slnswa.com.au for sponsor approval no later than 5pm, Monday 22 June 2026.

Sponsors logo size – The maximum size of logo that may appear in the Sponsor Logo position will be 125cm², i.e., 12.5cm x 10cm logo as per the diagram below.

- b) **Club name** – Should a club wish, they may print their Club name along the rear bottom of the vest. This is optional and at the expense of the club. **Lettering may be no higher than 1.5cm**, and single line is preferable. Any costs incurred in the printing of the Club name are the responsibility of the club.

PRINTING OPTIONS

1. FOR PRINTING THROUGH SLSWA/BURLEY SEKEM

Burley Sekem, the supplier who will be arranging delivery of Nipper packs on behalf of SLSWA, is prepared to:

- print sponsor logo on Woodside Nipper Vest for \$8.00 (ex GST);
- print Club name on Woodside Nipper vest for \$6.00 (ex GST); or
- print sponsors logo and Club name on Woodside Nipper vest for \$14.00 (ex GST).

Clubs will be invoiced on completion of printing. Any vest that is printed with the club sponsors and/or club name cannot be returned to SLSWA and will be included in future allocation calculations.

Club name: If any club wishes to get just their Club name printed on the back of the vest, please email nippers@slnswa.com.au no later than 5pm, Friday 17 July 2026.

Sponsor Logo: Once sponsor approval has been provided as per the process outlined above, please email nippers@slnswa.com.au no later than 5pm, Friday 17 July 2026 to confirm printing requirements. Any approved sponsor logo must also be provided in eps or ai format.

Delivery: Clubs that take the option of having Burley Sekem print a club sponsor and/or club name on their Woodside Nipper Vests are advised that this will delay the delivery of all Nipper pack items until the Woodside Nipper Vests have been printed. Burley Sekem has advised this will add an additional 4 – 5 weeks. Given we are working towards a mid-September delivery of Nipper packs, this means that clubs having vests printed by Burley Sekem will not have packs delivered until mid to late October.

2. CLUB ORGANISED PRINTING

Should your club wish to arrange printing of the approved (see approval process above) club sponsor and/or club name with your own print services, this can be organised by your club for after receipt of the Woodside Nipper packs from Burley Sekem in September/October. The process for Sponsor Logo approval as outlined above, must still be followed.

Proof Approvals

Any additional printing being applied to the vests (sponsor logo and/or club name) must be approved by SLSWA prior to printing by way of providing a print proof (which must identify print size and specifications) to nippers@slnwa.com.au

Any external print work must adhere to the print specifications provided in this circular.



FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you or any of your members have queries regarding the information contained in this circular please contact the Member Development Team.



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