

Australian Life Saving Team - Circular

Title:	2025 New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships Selection Information & Youth Athlete Nomination – 2 nd call
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Summary:	This Circular contains relevant information to support selection of the Australian Life Saving Team (ALT) for the 2025 New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships Tour in September 2025. The Youth Nomination Form must be completed before 11:59pm on Sunday 7th September 2025 .

SUMMARY

The 2025 New Zealand National Pool Rescue Championships tour provides an opportunity for emerging athletes to experience touring internationally as a team. The tour is also an opportunity for our HP athletes to test events, skills and post times in a quality racing environment outside the Australian domestic calendar.

The athlete nominations for this tour closed some time ago. Due to a recent opportunity we are now pleased to re-open nominations for youth eligible athletes to nominate to be selected to this tour. Please note that due to travel and entry deadlines this new nomination will close on at 11:59pm this Sunday, the 7th September for travel on 24th September. All athletes must have a valid passport and be ready to travel.

The **2025 New Zealand National Pool Rescue Championships** will be held in Auckland on 26–28 September. The tour will be on 24th – 29th September.

ELIGIBILITY

Team eligibility is outlined in detail in the [25-26 Selection Guidelines](#).

In addition to other listed eligibility requirements, age eligibility is defined below.

The Selection Panel will be considering athlete ages based on 2026 Lifesaving World Championships eligibility. As such athlete selection will be based on World Lifesaving team opportunities for the youth age category.

Youth Team: Competitors who turn 16 to 18 years of age in 2026 (i.e. born 2008, 2009 or 2010).

TEAM COMPOSITION / SIZE

There is currently a maximum of 2 new positions available for this extended nomination period. It will be at the discretion of the selection panel as to whether 1 or 2 athletes are selected.



KEY SELECTION EVENTS

As outlined in the [25-26 Selection Guidelines](#): When considering athletes potential for selection, the Selection Panel may (but is not obligated to) consider performances in all age categories at the following events where applicable:

- 2024 SLSA Australian Pool Rescue Championships;
- 2024 World Lifesaving Championships – Gold Coast;
- 2025 RLSSA Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships;
- 2025 respective State Championships;
- 2025 RLSS Commonwealth Lifesaving Championships;
- 2025 World Games;
- 2025 SLSA Australian Pool Rescue Championships
- 2025 Battle of the Tasman; and
- Any other notable competitions or carnivals contested during the 2024/25 season as decided by the Selection Panel.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

All athletes wishing to be considered for selection on either or both teams must complete the [Youth Nomination Form](#) by no later than 11:59pm on Sunday 7th September 2025.

ATHLETE LEVY

New Zealand Pool Rescue Championships Tour: An athlete levy of \$1,200 per athlete will be in place for this tour.