



## RLSSA National Team Appeal Policy

### 1.0 Appeal

An aggrieved person may appeal against a failure of the Selectors to comply with the procedures set down in the RLSSA National Team Selection Policy. That is, an appeal may only be made on procedural grounds not on the merits of a particular selection decision. Any appeal under this clause will proceed in accordance with this clause.

### 1.1 Procedure for Appeal

- (a) Any appeal against a decision of the Selectors must be made to the CEO RLSSA within 2 days of any public announcement.
- (b) The appeal must be lodged in writing to the CEO RLSSA setting out the:
  - (i) particular alleged failure of the Selectors in question;
  - (ii) ground on which the appeal is made; and
  - (iii) reasons or circumstances supporting the alleged ground of appeal; andmust be accompanied by an appeal fee of \$250 which shall be refundable in the event that an appeal is upheld.
- (c) Nothing in this Appeal Policy prevents the withdrawal of any appeal at any time in writing to the CEO RLSSA.
- (d) On receipt of an appeal in accordance with this Policy, the CEO RLSSA will liaise to immediately arrange for the appeal documents to be forwarded to the Selection Review Panel.

### 1.2 Constitution of Selection Review Panel

- (a) The Selection Review Panel will be nominated by the CEO RLSSA and shall be constituted by up to three persons, which must include the following:
  - (i) up to two persons with a thorough knowledge of lifesaving competition; and
  - (ii) A chairperson nominated by the CEO RLSSA
- (b) No member of the Selection Review Panel may be a party to or directly involved in any matter under consideration.

### **1.3 Functions of the Selection Review Panel**

The Selection Review Panel has no power of selection or re-selection. The Selection Review Panel may review the matter(s) set out in the appeal and may (as appropriate) dismiss the matter or refer it back to the Selectors for re-consideration.

### **1.4 Procedures for the Selection Review Panel**

- (a) The Selection Review Panel shall, as soon as practical after receiving the appeal documents under **clause 1.1.2** investigate and consider the matter and shall within 7 days of receiving such notice, determine whether:
  - (i) the matter should be dismissed, because in its determination, the matter is trifling in nature or has no merit; or
  - (ii) the appeal warrants further review and determination in accordance with this Policy; or
  - (iii) the matter should be referred back to the Selectors, because in its determination, the selection was not made in accordance with the RLSSA National Team Selection Policy.
- (b) If the Selection Review Panel considers the ground(s) alleged by the aggrieved person to be satisfied, it may direct that the Selectors again consider the selection of the relevant, team or individual.
- (c) The Selectors shall comply with any direction of the Selection Review Panel.
- (d) Any further selection decision of the Selectors under the direction of the Selection Review Panel shall be final, and no other further appeal shall be available to the aggrieved person in respect of that selection decision.
- (e) The decision of the Selection Review Panel will be final.