

## **Important Additional Race Information**

The Cronulla SLSC 2.3 km Shark Island Swim and 1km Cronulla Beach Fun Swim shall, unless otherwise specified, be conducted as per the current edition Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) Surf Sports Manual (SSM). Particular attention is drawn to safety, swimwear, caps, the course, protests and appeals

The permitted swim wear to be worn in the Shark Island Swim and Cronulla Beach Fun Swim is that specified in the SLSA SSM (that is consistent with World Aquatics stillwater approved and stamped swimwear). Please refer the Shark Island swim website at <a href="http://sharkislandswim.com.au/images/swimsuit-regulations-2025.pdf">http://sharkislandswim.com.au/images/swimsuit-regulations-2025.pdf</a> and/or the documents at registration for an extract of the SLSA swimwear standards and illustrations of permitted swimwear.

Please note that specialised open water swimsuits, zippered swimsuits, tri suits, and wet suits etc. do not meet the SLSA standard for swim events and are not approved for the Shark Island swims.

However, the Organisers, upon prior application and at their absolute discretion, may permit competitors to wear non-approved swimwear, including open water swimsuits, zippered swimsuits, tri suits, and wet suits etc., and also swimming aids such as swim fins, etc. If permitted to be worn such competitors will be ineligible to record a placing result or win prizes in either swim.

In addition, it is a requirement that every competitor in the Shark Island Swim and the Cronulla Beach Fun Swim must commence their race wearing the supplied rubber/silicone swim cap provided to them by the organisers securely placed on their head.

This requirement is to assist with competitor identification and safety, identification, to ensure that competitors commence in their correct wave, and to minimise water pollution. Failure to enter water with the supplied cap firmly placed on their head of the competitor may result in disqualification.

A competitor shall not be disqualified if the supplied cap is displaced or lost after entering the water provided that race officials can identify that the competitor commenced the race properly wearing the provided cap in their correct wave and correctly completed the course.

Competitors in the Shark Island Swim and the Cronulla Beach Fun Swim are also expected to strictly compete the course as instructed including passing/round all compulsory turning buoys on the correct side as identified in race diagrams posted at Registration and in briefings. If the course is not completed correctly the offending competitor(s) will be disqualified.

Disqualifications may be protested and/or appealed as per the SLSA SSM. A \$55.00 (incl. GST) Appeal Fee is to apply for an appeal.

Competitors must follow all safety directives of the organisers while participating in the Shark Island Swim and the Cronulla Beach Fun Swim. If a competitor is directed to leave the water by the Water Safety Team they must do as immediately for the safety of both them and others.

Should a competitor require assistance while in a race they are to stop swimming, look around and wave their arm above their head to attract the attention of Water Safety who will then assist.

Should a competitor not start after registering or complete their swim they are immediately report to the finish line and return their timing chip to the race recorder. This is to ensure that the organisers can account for all race entrants.

Note: It is planned to deliver a race briefing at the start line prior to the commencement of each race. All competitors are urged to pay attention to this briefing.

Any questions regarding this additional race information may be directed to <a href="mailto:swim@sharkislandswim.com.au">swim@sharkislandswim.com.au</a>

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