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Boat and Craft Training

1 Revision Control Table

Revision Date	Author	Author's Position	Status	Approval
06/01/2006 ¹	DCU	Lifesaving Services Manager	Final	Executive

2 Scope

- (1) This policy applies to activities taking place within the Competition division of the Jan Juc Surf Lifesaving Club Inc.

3 Policy Statement

- (2) The Executive of the Jan Juc SLSC. are very aware of balancing the requirements of club members using club equipment with the prevention of any foreseeable incident which may affect the safety and welfare of the public.
- (3) The responsibilities of members of the club using or training on club equipment have come under increased scrutiny over recent years. The litigious climate which has developed over the last decade has increased the requirement for members to act responsibly as opposed to the repercussions of any actions deemed to be possibly negligent.
- (4) The requirements of club members, not only when using club equipment, but at all times, to act responsibly and to take all reasonable steps to protect members of the public in the water or on the beach has never been more paramount.

4 Implementation

- (5) The following procedures are to be adopted to protect, first and foremost the public, in addition to providing guidelines for members conducting boat and craft training on our beach.
- Training is to be conducted out of patrol hours when possible, preferably early in the morning or late in the evening.
 - No training is to be conducted during Nipper sessions being held on Saturdays and Wednesdays between the hours of 10am and 12pm throughout the season calendar or on alternate session days.

¹ Formatting changes only – the substance of this policy was passed in January of 2005

- c. A sign is to be placed on the beach warning water users that a surf boat will be coming in to shore and out to sea during the course of training.
- d. A boat sweep and other craft users must, as far as practicable, ensure that when returning to shore it be done in an area presenting minimal risk to water users and that any water users are a safe distance way from the boat or craft in order to avoid a collision or similar type incident in the event the boat or craft broaches or other similar problem occurs.
- e. The sweep must notify the Patrol Captain and liaise with that person in the event training is undertaken during patrol hours.
- f. Patrol Captains will have authorisation to not allow the boat or craft to enter the water having regard to the number of users in the water - this number being such an extent that it would not be possible for the boat or craft to safely exit and return to the beach without endangering the safety of the public. It is accepted that this situation would be rare, but necessary and responsible action to prevent a potential incident occurring.
- g. The boat sweep or craft user must take all necessary steps to eliminate any foreseeable dangers to the beach going public.

5 Authorisation

(6) This policy has been authorised by—

Bruce Dunlop

January 2005

President/Secretary

Date

John Prosser

January 2005

Division Manager

Date

6 Review Schedule

(7) This Policy Document shall be reviewed on or before — Not to be reviewed.