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From: Aquatic Sports Department
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Subject: Victorian RLSSA Pool State and Development Team Nominations 2018/19
Action: Nominations close at 11:00pm on Sunday, 16 September 2018

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The Aquatic Sports Executive is calling for nominations for athletes and managers interested in representing Victoria in the **Victorian Pool State and Development Teams** that will travel to the RLSSA Australian Pool Life Saving Championships in January 2019.

RLSSA Australian Pool Life Saving Championships:

Friday, 11 January 2018 – Sunday, 13 January 2019 in Sydney at Pymble Ladies College.

State Team

The Victorian State Team is made up of:

Category	Male	Female
Under 16	2 Athletes	2 Athletes
Under 19	2 Athletes	2 Athletes
Open	4 Athletes	4 Athletes

Selections for the State team will be based on the following criteria:

- Results recorded in the last 12 months (LSV carnivals, Vic State Championships, RLSSA and SLSA Australian Championships and any other RLSSA/SLSA/ILS sanctioned pool lifesaving event held in the previous 12 months)
- Current training performances (in consultation with state and club coaches)
- Team Balance and composition which will result in Victoria having the best opportunity to achieve competitive team success at the RLSSA Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships

In the opinion of selectors, athletes must be competent and skilled to a national level. National Championship events are both time and skill based and the selection panel will consider these factors when selecting the State Team. In summary, regard is given to skill and proficiency relevant to the full range of events held at the National Championships (individual and team pool speed events, including line throw and the ability and skill of athletes in CPR and SERC).

If applicant has no times within the past 12 months they may request special consideration in writing to sport@lsv.com.au. If granted, a time trial shall be arranged under competition conditions in the presence of at least two of the following three positions.

- Appointed State Team Coach
- Appointed State Team Manager
- RLSSA pool state team Chair of Selectors

This time trial must be completed prior to Team selection process.

Development Team

Athletes that do not gain selection into the Victorian State Team may be able to compete as part of a Victorian Development Team, or as their respective club. Please note these athletes will not have a subsidy from LSV to assist with the costs associated with this trip.

Development Team members must:

- Meet all club / State requirements as per the State Team selection policy
- Must be at least 12 years old on the 1st January on the year of competition
- Demonstrate a commitment to pool lifesaving by way of training and participation at pool lifesaving competition (either through own club or State arranged training)

The Development Team shall be selected on the same basis (relevant events) and criteria of the State Team and will only be selected at the conclusion of the State Team selection.

The RLSS State Development Team shall be restricted to a maximum of 16 members with the aim to best develop the sport within Victoria. Where practical the team will include athletes in the following age groups:

Category	Male	Female
Under 14	Flexible	Flexible
Under 16	2 Athletes	2 Athletes
Under 19	2 Athletes	2 Athletes

Should the full contingent of development team not be available a team shall still be selected based on the applications received and where relevant, the team shall not enter any events where they are not compliant.

Please note that U14 athletes are only eligible to compete as Development Athletes unless selected in the under 16 State Team. For U14 development team eligibility athletes must be a minimum of 12 years old on 1 January 2019 and, will compete within their own age group on the first day of Competition (Thursday). All U14 Development athletes will then be encouraged to compete up where appropriate in the under 16 competition and act as patients / assistants for the SERC event to further enhance their learning.

General - Selections

Late applications will not generally be accepted and will be at the sole discretion of the Chair of Selection Committee.

If team vacancies exist due to an inadequate number of candidates or withdrawal of competitors, the selection panel may offer the position/s to other athletes who are available and deemed to be proficient to compete.

Travel

Please note that it is intended that the team will all travel to the Sydney together on Thursday 10 January 2019, (AM) and will stay together until Monday, 14 January 2019 (AM).

State team cost models are currently under annual review and will be updated once nominations have been confirmed. LSV will continue to support athletes who are selected to represent Victoria, however we anticipate costings to each participant would not exceed \$500. The process for payment is also under review and team members will be notified of the process prior to departure. Please note that Development Team members will not be funded by LSV.

Endorsement of Applications

In order to ensure clubs are aware of potential costs associated with state representation, a club representative (President/Secretary/Club Coach/Club Team Manager) must endorse each athlete's application before the athlete is considered.

LSV will not accept nominations from athletes without their Clubs endorsement. LSV will check with Clubs before selections that each athlete has been endorsed for selection.

Please find the nomination form below for the **Victorian Pool State and Development Teams**:

<https://lifesavingvictoria.wufoo.com/forms/victorian-pool-state-team-nomination/>

For more information or to discuss the positions please contact the Aquatic Sport Department on 9676 6937 or email sport@lsv.com.au.