## SEARCH AND RESCUE CAPABILITY PROFILE

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<td><strong>Volunteer Lifesavers</strong></td>
<td>57 life saving clubs</td>
<td>239</td>
<td>64</td>
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<td>25</td>
<td>7 Locations</td>
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<td><strong>Paid Lifeguards</strong></td>
<td>58 life saving clubs</td>
<td>40 highead sites</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>235 Crew</td>
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<td>6 Pilots</td>
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<td><strong>Personnel trained</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Age breakdown</strong></td>
<td>36-60: 27%</td>
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<td><strong>Location</strong></td>
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<td>Marine rescue, education and community engagement, first aid, patrolling, preventative actions, other agency support.</td>
<td>Operational support and emergency response, education and community engagement.</td>
<td>Seasonal inshore maritime search and rescue, education and community engagement.</td>
<td>Extended seasonal inshore maritime search and rescue, education and community engagement.</td>
<td>Rescue of personnel and craft in marine environment, education and community engagement.</td>
<td>Aerial search and rescue response plus coastal patrols.</td>
<td>Maritime and search and rescue surveillance, hazard identification, public awareness campaigns and community engagement, search and rescue.</td>
<td>Provides communication and dispatch for all operational activity and support services.</td>
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<td><strong>Extended capability</strong></td>
<td>Event water safety, training, emergency first responder, communications relay, inter agency support.</td>
<td>Event water safety, SAR extended response, temporary patrol platform.</td>
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<td><strong>Range</strong></td>
<td>Zoned area and immediate surrounds.</td>
<td>Patrolled locations and remote locations with vehicles.</td>
<td>Zoned and extended operational zones.</td>
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<td><strong>Initial training commitment (hours)</strong></td>
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**CAPABILITY**
- **Volunteer Lifesavers** and **Paid Lifeguards** are highly trained personnel who patrol aquatic environments and provide first responder capability in emergencies.
- The State Lifesaving Operations Centre is responsible for coordinating all LSVC statewide emergency and non-emergency communications.

**INTRODUCTION**
- Victorian Life Saving Clubs
- The Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter Service (WLRHS) provides seasonal patrols and scheduled aerial patrols during summer to Victoria’s coastline.
- The Remote Pilots of Aircraft Systems (RPAS) is a newly formed service which provides surveillance, search and rescue, and assistance to other agencies.

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- The Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter Service (WLRHS) has several diverse and operationally specific vehicles which are used by personnel to perform their roles.
- Mobile and responsive assets placed at interdependent locations provide an adaptable and fast response service.

**Location**
- **Volunteer Lifesavers** and **Paid Lifeguards** have 57 life saving clubs, 239 locations, and 64 wilderness areas.
- **Personnel trained** include 7499 volunteers, 239 paid lifeguards, and 4316 trained personnel.

**Age breakdown**
- The age distribution includes:
  - 36-60: 27% (Volunteer Lifesavers)
  - 36-60: 5% (Paid Lifeguards)
  - 61+: 5% (Volunteer Lifesavers)
  - 18-35: 95% (Volunteer Lifesavers)
  - 18-35: 83% (Paid Lifeguards)
  - 36-60: 17% (Volunteer Lifesavers)
  - 36-60: 14% (Paid Lifeguards)

**Core function**
- Marine rescue, education and community engagement, first aid, patrolling, preventative actions, other agency support.
- Seasonal inshore maritime search and rescue, education and community engagement.
- Rescue of personnel and craft in marine environment, education and community engagement.
- Aerial search and rescue response plus coastal patrols.
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**Training requirement**
- Surf Rescue Certificate and Bronze Medalion (Cert II) as base awards.
- Bronze Medalion (Cert II), First Aid, Advanced Resuscitation Techniques, Driver Medalion Beach Management.
- IRB qualified personnel hold either an IRB Crew Certificates.
- Bronze Medalion and RWC Operators Certificate.
- Bronze Medalion (Cert II) Public Safety, Advanced Resuscitation, First Aid + Previous lifesaving or equivalent experience.
- Remote Pilot Licence (RPPL) - CASA and Bronze Medalion.
- Radio operators’ Certificate, LSVC/Comms induction/ training.

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