



ENDORSED SWIM SCHOOL AGREEMENT SWIM AND SURVIVE

The Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia (RLSSWA) is proud to endorse providers of swimming and water safety lessons. RLSSWA has been involved in swimming and water safety education for over 100 years and is a world leader in this field. The RLSSWA mission is to prevent loss of life and injury in the community, with emphasis on aquatic environments.

As an Endorsed Swim School, you will become an endorsed provider of the Swim & Survive program and be expected to uphold the RLSSWA mission as stated.

Endorsement

By utilising the Swim & Survive program and resources your Swim School becomes endorsed by the Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia. The RLSSWA and its logo signify trust, quality and long-term commitment to aquatic education. This gives you:

- Association with a high recognition logo
- Association with a trusted program
- Access to professional education resources & training
- Credibility backed by the nationally recognised leader in “swimming and water safety.”

Endorsement Requirement

The following 3 requirements must be maintained as a minimum standard for the Swim School operation:

1. Use of the Swim and Survive course curriculum (Swim & Survive Certificates).
2. Nationally certified instructor proficiency as a minimum standard for qualification (RLSSWA Swim Teacher or equivalent). Instructors must also undertake an in-house Swim School induction in resuscitation and rescue (or preferably hold a current qualification in both).
3. Instructor/ pupil ratios set at or below these maximum ratios in accordance with the RLSSA Guidelines for Safe Pool Operation:

| Stages | Ratio |
|---------|-------|
| 1 to 3 | 1:10 |
| 4 to 6 | 1:12 |
| 7 to 16 | 1:15 |

By maintaining these standards as a minimum, the Swim School will provide the customer with recognised best practice for swimming and water safety lessons.

Maintaining Endorsement

- RLSSWA will regularly review your Swim School to assist in maintaining the standards for endorsement.
- The Swim School will operate a system of currency to ensure staff qualifications are maintained, instructor/pupil ratios are met, and RLSSWA course curriculum is utilised.
- Provide participant statistics on a quarterly basis to RLSSWA head office for reporting purposes.

RLSSWA Commitment

- RLSSWA will promote the Swim School through its channels of promotion and refer customers to the swim school.
- RLSSWA will advocate and promote the importance of swimming, water safety and lifesaving to the community.
- RLSSWA will research and communicate swimming and water safety education information.

RLSSWA Membership

RLSSWA is a member-based organisation that is committed to developing its membership program and the recognition of its members. Membership is open to any person or organisation who wishes to further the interests of the RLSSWA and to further the work and objectives of the society. On successful completion of the RLSSWA Endorsed Swim School paperwork your Swim School will also become an affiliated member of RLSSWA.

An affiliate member of RLSSWA can proudly acknowledge their organisation's membership in the community and promote their support of the RLSSWA's objectives and water safety programs. An affiliate member of RLSSWA is also entitled to display the distinguishing badge or membership certificate of the society. In addition, an affiliate member is entitled to send a representative to attend the RLSSWA AGM.

Please note: If you would like to opt out of RLSSWA affiliated membership please contact RLSSWA.

Agreement Paperwork 2022/23 (please complete & return this page)

The following documentation is enclosed within my application for Swim & Survive endorsement:

- Endorsed Swim School Agreement (Swim & Survive)
- Endorsed Swim School Safety Assessment Checklist
- Sample copy of an Instructors Qualifications & Class list

Swim School Manager/Coordinator: _____

Centre Manager: _____

Swim School Name: _____

Postal Address: _____ P/Code _____

Street Address: _____ P/Code _____

Phone No: _____

Fax No: _____

Email Address: _____

I, _____ declare that the Swim School _____

will maintain as a minimum standard for the swim school operation, the three (3) requirements as stated within this Endorsed Swim School Agreement.

Signature: _____

Date: ___/___/___

Office use only:

RLSSWA Auditor Signature: _____