

Endorsed Swim School Safety Assessment Checklist 2022/23

VENUE: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

OBSERVED Y/ N						
1.0 ADMINISTRATION	COMMENTS					
1.1 Operations Manual: A set of documents describing policies, procedures & work practices.Has an operations manual been developed specific to the Swim School?						
1.2 Is the Operations Manual regularly updated to reflect current standards and operations?						
1.3 Are staff regularly inserviced to the requirements of the Operations Manual?						

2.0 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

2.1. Has a Swim School Emergency Action	
Plan (EAP) been developed in conjunction with	
the Aquatic Centres EAP?	
EAP sighted by assessor.	
2.2. Has the EAP been practiced in conjunction	
with the Swim School and the Aquatic Facility in	
the last twelve months?	
Evidence of this procedure sighted by the	
assessor.	

3.0 STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

3.1. Maintenance of minimum teaching qualifications of all staff employed in the Swim School. The minimum qualification is the Austswim Certificate or equivalent. A copy of each staff member's qualifications displaying currency of an award is on record and sighted by the assessor.	
3.2. Teaching qualifications are considered valid only if an instructor has attended an induction on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Rescue (or holds current qualifications). A copy of each staff member's attendance at induction (or qualifications) in CPR and rescue is on record and sighted by the assessor.	
3.3. For those Swim Schools teaching specialist groups e.g. infant/pre–school, disabilities, personnel should preferably hold the extension certificate relevant to that group. Where applicable provide evidence of this to assessor.	









4.0 INSTRUCTOR: PUPIL RATIOS	COMMENTS
4.1. Adherence to ESS guidelines for maximum	
class ratios as per RLSS GSPO;	
a. stages 1 to 3 = 1:10	
b. stages 4 to 6 = 1:12	
c. stages 7 to 16 = 1:15	
Adherence to guideline observed by assessor.	
5.0 INSTRUCTION GUIDELINES	
5.1 All children are instructed using the RLSS	
Course Curriculum (S&S Cert, Infant Cert, JLC	
waterlog/stickers) as the foundation of lessons	
and certification of achievement.	
5.2 All children passing a stage in the S&S	
curriculum have achieved the competencies of	
that stage.	
Assessor monitors the pass/fail standards of	
the swim school.	
5.3 a) As a guide the minimum water depth of	
1.8m is suitable for learn to swim water entry	
and diving instruction.	
b)The teaching of safe water entry and diving	
should be taught progressively in the following	
sequence:	
In water forward glide from standing position	
Pool side, seated Pool side, standing aroushed	
Pool side, standing crouched	
Pool side, standing Starting block	
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c) Diving should only be allowed in pools where							
there is sufficient forward clearance (ideally							
greater than 5000mm) for a constant depth.							

6.0 FIRST AID

6.1 First Aid must be readily accessible during	
lessons.	
6.2 Rescue equipment is located at First Aid	
Stations and on pool deck during lessons.	
6.3 Reports are made for every incident	
involving life-threatening hazards, first aid, or	
customer relations problems.	

We state that the information provided is to the best of our knowledge true and correct. We understand that the information provided is to ensure the safe provision of quality swimming and water safety lessons for the community.

ESS Manager/Coordinator:

Signature

_ Aquatics/Centre Manager: ____

Signature

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