# **Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club**





Provides participants with the skills and knowledge to effectively drive and manage an Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) in surf rescue operations.

**Award:** Upon successful completion of this course participants will receive the SLSA SILVER MEDALLION (INFLATABLE RESCUE BOAT DRIVER) CERTIFICATE.

### @Cottesloe SLSC Boatshed. Dates:

Saturday 10 October	11am - 2pm
Saturday 24 October	11am - 2pm
Saturday 31 October	11am - 2pm
Saturday 7 November	11am - 2pm
Sunday 15 November	11am – 2pm
Assessment	TBA

### **SLSWA WETSUIT INITIATIVE**

Members that were proficient in the IRB Driver award at the conclusion of the 2019/2020 patrolling season are eligible to receive a short leg/long arm spring suit.

b) Members that achieve their IRB Diver award in 2020/2021 patrolling season will be eligible to receive a short leg/long arm spring wetsuit



# **Course Prerequisites:**

You must be at least 16 years of age to commence training and at least 17 years of age on the date of final assessment.

Hold a DOT WA Recreational Skipper's Ticket (RST). Hold the SLSA Bronze Medallion, SLSA IRB Crew award and be a financial member of CSLSC.

**Cost:** NIL. Own wetsuit recommended. PFD provided.

By the end of this course, you will be able to: Understand the roles and responsibilities of an IRB Driver, including:

- List the duties of an IRB Driver
- List the safety considerations when operating an IRB
- Provide direction to an IRB Crewperson in all their operational duties
- Communicate effectively with Crewperson, the public and patients in the normal performance of duties

### Drive an IRB

- Identify the components of an IRB motor
- Launch an IRB safely and efficiently
- List motor hazards in the surf
- Safely and efficiently negotiate the surf while driving an IRB
- Perform emergency procedures

## Perform rescues in an IRB as a Driver

- Perform conscious and unconscious patient pick-ups
- Perform complex rescue operations including swimming rescues, sailboarder and kite surfer rescues
- Contribute to search and rescue operations; liaising effectively with other emergency response services as required

### Prepare and maintain an IRB motor

- Perform pre-operational checks and preventative maintenance of the IRB motor
- Perform post-operations maintenance of the IRB motor
- Perform motor re-start procedure after submersion in the surf
- Report major wear and damage according to organisational procedures

Limited positions available register your interest by emailing: irb@cottsurf.com