

Assistant Age Manager

Purpose Support the Age Manager to deliver safe, fun and inclusive Nipper's sessions, helping kids build surf awareness, confidence, skills and teamwork in line with SLSQ/SLSA guidance.

Key responsibilities

Session Delivery

- Help set up/pack down; organise groups and rotations as directed by the Age Manager.
- Support delivery of age-appropriate activities and games; encourage participation and fair play.
- Adjust activities under guidance to match surf, weather and group ability.

Safety and Supervision

- Assist with sign-in/out, buddy checks, head counts and group control.
- Work closely with Water Safety Personnel and escalate concerns to the Age Manager or Water Safety Supervisor.
- Promote sun safety and child-safe behaviour at all times.

Learning and Inclusion

- Reinforce key skills (signals, surf awareness, board handling) and positive behaviour.
- Provide extra encouragement to new or nervous Nippers; help include all abilities.

Communication and Admin

- Share key messages with families as requested by the Age Manager.
 - Help track attendance, preliminary/competition evaluations and age award progress where required.
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Reporting Line

Reports to the Age Manager. Works with the Water Safety Supervisor, Parent Liaison, Coaches and Junior Activities Committee.

Time commitment

- Weekly Nippers sessions in season
 - Occasional meetings and proficiencies as requested
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Skills and attributes

- Friendly, patient and great with kids
 - Clear communicator; team-first mindset
 - Organised and safety-aware; calm under pressure
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Prerequisites and pathway (SLSQ)

- Current financial club member
- Minimum 13 years of age to be an Age Manager Assistant
- If 18+: valid Blue Card linked to SLSQ, and complete Child Safe Awareness (CSA) and Child Youth Risk Management Strategies (CYRMS)
- Complete the online component of the Age Managers Course via the SLSQ Education Hub, and any club-required mentoring/endorsement
- Maintain currency per club/SLSQ guidance; progress to full Age Manager at 16 (18 for U6/7) by completing full prerequisites and on-beach mentoring/third-party endorsement

Notes

- Access to the SLSA Nipper App for evaluations/awards generally requires completing the Age Manager Assistant Award, as set by SLSA/SLSQ and club processes.
 - Always operate under the direction of the qualified Age Manager and within SLSA water safety procedures.
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Sources

- “Age Manager Assistants... welcome to complete this award once they turn 13... complete the online component of the Age Managers Course... Blue Card (if over 18) and complete Child Safety Awareness & CYRMS.” — SLSQ Administration Operations Manual; Junior Activities Manual. <https://www.manula.com/manuals/slsq-tom/junior-activities-manual/1/en/topic/age-manager-assistant>