



**FOR YOUTH  
→ FOR YOU.**

**Youth Engagement Program  
YEP Participant Handbook**



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# CONTACT DETAILS

## MY DETAILS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## MY YEP COORDINATORS DETAILS

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## MY YEP MENTORS DETAILS

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# YEP BASICS

→ For youth, for you

**T**he Youth Engagement Program (YEP) is for youth members who want to make the most of what Surf Life Saving has to offer. By saying yep and having a go at all Surf Life Saving activities and opportunities, you will clock up 'surf creds' which result in national recognition awards along with your log of all the amazing skills and experiences you have gained.

YEP provides the perfect excuse to have fun, try new things and spend more time at the beach. You will gain valuable skills, keep fit and active; while doing your bit for the community.









# YEP BASICS

You earn surf creds for getting involved in all areas of Surf Life Saving including:

## Lifesaving

- Lifesaving Services
- Education

## Surf Sports

- Surf Sports Participation
- Surf Sports Development/coaching/officiating/other support
- Surf Sports Competition/events/carnivals

## Development

- Junior and Youth Activities
- Club Activities
- Community
- Leadership and Personal Development

By collecting the allocated creds in the three areas the following levels of achievement can be attained:

### Bronze

- 100 creds Lifesaving (must include a new award)
- 20 creds Surf Sports
- 30 creds Development

### Silver

- 150 creds Lifesaving (must include a new award)
- 40 creds Surf Sports
- 60 creds Development

### Gold

- 200 creds Lifesaving (must include a new award)
- 40 creds Surf Sports
- 110 creds Development
- Completion of project

If you reach the allocated creds for one area (ie. Lifesaving, Surf sports or Development) you can start to log any additional activities for this area to the next award level.

# GET INVOLVED

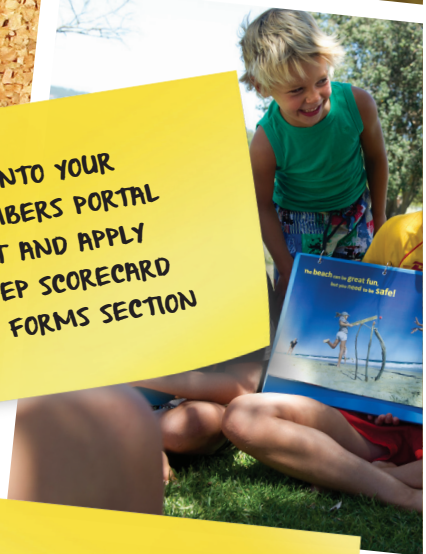
Getting involved in YEP is simple. Just follow these steps:

**1** PARTICIPATE IN CLUB  
ACTIVITIES AND  
COLLECT SURFCREDS


**2** LOG INTO YOUR  
MEMBERS PORTAL  
ACCOUNT AND APPLY  
FOR A YEP SCORECARD  
IN THE FORMS SECTION

**3** SELECT THE AWARD  
LEVEL YOU ARE  
COMPLETING. YOU MUST  
COMPLETE IN ORDER BRONZE,  
SILVER AND THEN GOLD

**4** LOG ALL THE  
ACTIVITIES THAT  
YOU COMPLETE. YOU CAN  
SAVE YOUR FORM AFTER  
LOGGING EACH ACTIVITY








**5** KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR TOTAL SURFCREDS. WHEN YOU THINK YOU HAVE ACHIEVED A REWARD LEVEL SUBMIT THE FORM



**6** YOUR YEP COORDINATOR WILL DOUBLE CHECK YOUR FORM AND VERIFY YOU HAVE MET THE REQUIREMENT



**7** ONCE APPROVED AT A CLUB AND STATE LEVEL YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR AWARD



**8** CONTINUE PARTICIPATING IN AND LOGGING ACTIVITIES TOWARDS THE NEXT LEVEL







# SURF CRED'S GUIDE

**T**he Surf Creds Guide shows you how many surf creds you can get for certain activities. You will notice some activities come with a maximum surf cred score for each award. The good news is once you have gained the maximum surf creds for an award you can still gain surf creds for that activity to go towards your next award.

The Surf Creds Guide is not a definitive list and your YEP mentors/coordinators may allocate additional creds for outstanding behaviour/effort, exceptional talent, going beyond the call of duty or for activities not listed.

You can start earning creds today. Contact your YEP Mentor or YEP Coordinator (their contact details should be provided in this guide). Record all your surf club activities and you will be on your way to your first award in no time.

**YOU  
CAN START  
EARNING  
CRED'S  
TODAY!**

# SURF CREDITS GUIDE

## LIFESAVING

### ACTIVITIES

### CREDITS

#### LIFESAVING SERVICES

Patrol (SRC, BM, First Aid)	10/patrol
Advanced patrol (Patrol Captain, Vice Captain, Advanced Award, IRB Driver, Silver Medallion)	20/patrol
Attending 100% of rostered patrols	10/season
Patrol for a different club	15/patrol
Volunteer for patrol on Christmas or New Years	20/patrol
Other duties assigned by PC	5/duty
Additional Patrol Activities (Roving Patrol, Public Engagement, outpost patrol, participate in search)	5/duty

#### EDUCATION

Surf Rescue Certificate (New Award)	30
Surf Rescue Certificate (Requalify)	10
Bronze Medallion (New Award)	40
Bronze Medallion (Requalify)	10
Radio Operators Certificate (New Award)	15
Radio Operators Certificate (Requalify)	10
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (New Award)	40
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (Requalify)	20
Apply First Aid (New Award)	30



## LIFESAVING

### ACTIVITIES

### CREDS

#### EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

Apply First Aid (Requalify)	10
IRB Crewperson Certificate (New Award)	40
IRB Crewperson Certificate (Requalify)	10
Silver Medallion IRB Driving (New Award)	75
Silver Medallion IRB Driving (Requalify)	20
Silver Medallion Advanced Emergency Care (New Award)	75
Silver Medallion Advanced Emergency Care (Requalify)	20
Silver Medallion - Patrol Captain (New Award)	75 (Minimum age 16)
Silver Medallion - Patrol Captain (Requalify)	20
Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue (New Award)	75
Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue (Requalify)	20
Training Officer (New Award)	100
Assessor (New Award)	50 (Minimum age 18)
Gold Medallion - Advanced lifesaving (New Award)	100 (Minimum age 17)
Gold Medallion - Advanced lifesaving (Requalify)	70
Spinal Management (New Award)	30
Spinal Management (Requalify)	10
Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management (New Award)	100 (Minimum age 17)
Assist in training awards (Requalify)	5/session (Maximum 50 creds)

## DEVELOPMENT

### ACTIVITIES

### CREDS

#### CLUB ACTIVITIES/ADMINISTRATION

Contribute to club communications (newsletter, website)	5/item
Maintain website or social media	25/season
Obtain local media coverage (with approval club management)	15/item
Obtain sponsorship/donations or organise fundraising event	30/activity
Take on club position - officer	30/role
Take on club position - assistant role	20/role
Attend a Club Regional/Branch or State meeting	5/season (Maximum 50)
General administration duties	5/duty
General club cleaning duties	10/duty
Assist in equipment maintenance	10/duty
Attend a club event	5/event
Assist in delivery club sanctioned event	10/event
Organise a club sanctioned event	30/event
Recruit a new club member	10/member
Make new members welcome (tour, induction, introduction)	5/activity

#### JUNIOR AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Age Managers Accreditation	50
YEP mentor	20/season (Gold only)
Water safety for junior activities	5/session
Age Manager	40/season
Age Manager assistant	20/season
Organise a junior social event	30/event



## DEVELOPMENT

### ACTIVITIES

### CREDS

#### LEADERSHIP AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Attend and participate in a youth development program/ exchange/leadership program	15/program
Develop or facilitate youth development program exchange/ leadership program	30/program
Continual advocate key messages e.g. sun safety, correct patrol uniform	10/issue/ season

#### COMMUNITY EDUCATION & ECOSURF

Organise a community education/engagement program	30/program
Participate in a community education/engagement program	10/program
Organise an Ecosurf activity	30/activity
Participate in an Ecosurf activity	10/activity

### SURF SPORTS

#### SURF SPORTS PARTICIPATION

Attend Club Training Session	1/session (15 maximum)
Compete in Club Swim	2/session (20 maximum)

#### SURF SPORTS DEVELOPMENT (COACHING/OFFICIATING/OTHER)

Junior and or Level 1 Officiating	50
Officiating at a carnival	10/carnival (50 maximum)
Junior and or Level 1 Coaching	50
Coaching (Junior Coach or Level 1) a session	2/session (30 maximum)

#### SURF SPORTS COMPETITION (EVENTS/CARNIVALS)

Compete at Club Championships	10/carnival
Compete in Branch, State or National Carnival	5/carnival (25 maximum)
Water Safety/First aid at carnival	10/carnival
Assistance at a Carnival	5/carnival (25 maximum)
Assistant Team/Age Manager at carnival	10/carnival

A photograph of two people walking on a sandy beach at sunset. They are carrying surfboards under their arms. The scene is bathed in the warm, golden light of the setting sun, with the ocean waves visible in the background. The overall mood is peaceful and active.

**DEVELOP  
AN IDEA YOU  
HAVE WITHIN  
SURF LIFE  
SAVING**



# GOLD COMMUNITY PROJECT ----->

**T**o achieve YEP Gold level, you must deliver a community project which benefits your club, branch or state, chosen after consultation with your YEP Coordinator. Ask your club and/or branch or state centre for advice, resources or direction. The project has to be your idea and of significance. It should either involve solving a problem that you have noticed at your club or develop an idea you have within Surf Life Saving.

# PROJECT EXAMPLES

→ Examples of projects that have been completed in the past include:

**1 Nippers for older kids** – the aim was to hold a more social type of training/activity for the Cadets which allowed for a supervised and altered Nippers Day (SUNDAY SKILLS).

**2 Approval and implementation of a new Surf Rescue Board Policy** – this project allowed youth to take the club boards out at any time under correct supervision and provided all the forms were filled out. Previously the Surf Rescue Board Policy only allowed boards to be used at official board trainings and on patrol. Now if adequate requirements are met, youth can take a board out at any time.





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BE UNDERTAKEN AS A GROUP. THE PROJECT SHOULD  
TAKE AROUND 6 MONTHS TO COMPLETE, AND YOU  
SHOULD BE ABLE TO SHOW AN OUTCOME OR RESULT  
OF THE WORK YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN. YOU WILL NEED  
TO SUBMIT A PROJECT REPORT OUTLINING WHAT YOUR  
PROJECT IS, HOW YOU TACKLED IT AND THE RESULTS  
YOU HAVE SEEN FROM IMPLEMENTING THIS PROJECT.  
THIS INFORMATION WILL BE USED TO PROMOTE THE  
COMMUNITY PROJECT TO OTHERS WITHIN YOUR CLUB,  
BRANCH OR STATE.

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