



# SHELLHARBOUR SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

## POLICY STATEMENT

**Policy:** Junior Board Hire Policy  
**Effective Date:** 5/10/2022  
**Revision Date:**

**Department:** Junior Activities  
**Approved Date:** 5/10/2022  
**Approved by:** Board of Directors

### Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide clear guidelines for all members with respect to the hire of junior nipper boards.

### Introduction

The club owns a number of both foam and fibreglass nipper boards, available for hire by surf sports competitors.

### Application

This policy applies to all eligible Club members with regard to the use of Club boards for competitors from U8's to U14's. Note that U8-U10's are to use Foam boards only, U11's-U14's are to use fibreglass boards.

### Policy

The boards are for the use of members only, and under no circumstances may any person use or borrow a board of any type without the expressed permission of the Junior Activities Gear Steward.

The member shall use the foam or fibreglass board in a manner that prevents damage to the board and agrees to report and repair any damages that may occur during their use.

Members wishing to hire a foam or fibreglass nipper board are required to submit a Junior Board Hire Application Form. Upon approval and providing a suitable board is available, the Junior Activities Gear Steward shall issue a hire board to a member upon evidence of payment of the correct hire fee.

The hire board then becomes the responsibility of the member for the hire period.

Hired boards remains the property of the Club but can be used for personal enjoyment, training sessions and Club Sundays.

Members who hire boards should advise the Junior Activities Gear Steward of any damages to the board in the first instance and must return the board to the Club Steward in good condition at the end of the hire period.

The Junior Activities Gear Steward may request to inspect the board for damage at any time during the hire period. The hire period, cost of hire and other conditions of hire will be outlined on the Junior Board Hire Application Form.

# Foam & Fibreglass Board Care

Shellharbour Surf Life Saving Club provides foam and fibreglass board for use of the junior members. The Hire boards will remain the property of the Club but can be used for personal enjoyment, training sessions and Club Sundays.

The junior member must use the foam board in a manner that prevents damage to the board, and agrees to report and repair any damages that may occur during their use. Repairs are to be undertaken by a professional surf craft repairer.

Members are asked to adopt the following practices to maintain the board in good condition:

## AT THE BEACH

- In the water, hold onto the board to avoid loss and avoid collisions with other boards. Do not stand up on the board when riding.
- Adults should not grab any of the handles whilst your child is on the board as this will cause major damage if the handle is pulled out.
- On the sand, **avoid sitting on the board**, particularly near the fin.
- Carry the board rather than dragging it.
- Wash the board down with fresh cool water after use every time.
- Keep out of direct sunlight where possible. Lay the board upside down and in the shade, if possible. If there is no shade, cool your board down by wetting it every 20-30 minutes or placing a towel over the board.
- For times when the board is sitting in the sun in the cover i.e. at Nippers carnivals, it is best to have the zip open to allow the heat to escape.
- On a windy day, secure the board so it doesn't fall down or blow away.

## OFF THE BEACH

- Lie the board down on the ground if windy or if the upright board will get bumped.
- Store it **out of direct sunlight in a cool place** such as garage, shed or under the house. This avoids discoloration, epoxy softening and delaminating, etc.
- When transporting it, use straps, not rope and use additional padding on your racks.
- Please do not leave the board strapped on the car or inside a parked car in the sun for extended periods of time.
- All boards and covers are labelled and numbered. Please do not write or put anything else on the board to personalize.
- Be careful when attempting to remove old wax that you do not damage the board by scraping too heavily.

## IF THE BOARD IS DAMAGED

- Wash it in fresh water.



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- A ding/crack can allow water to get inside of the board damaging the foam and making it water logged/ heavy.
- **Do not reuse the damaged board.**
- If the board is a hire board, report the damage to the JAC Gear Steward, Kobi Kelly : 0408 869 786 (take a photo) and discuss next action.  
If it is a **FIBREGLASS board then damage needs to be fixed by a professional board repairer.**
  - DSN surfboards Gerringong – Tully 0421 249 217

**Remember: The hire board is owned by the Club. You are just hiring it for the season.**

Junior members are responsible for its use and care. Please treat your hired board with respect so it can be used for years to come.

### Happy Paddling!

**Questions / concerns?**  
Contact JAC Gear Steward:  
Kobi Kelly 0408 869 786



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### NIPPERS FOAM/FIBREGLASS BOARD HIRE APPLICATION – 2022/2023 Season

#### Hire Fee (per season/hire period)

\$250 Foam board

\$350 Fibreglass

**NB:** The lessee will be reimbursed \$50 if the board is returned with minor damage on or before presentation day (Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023).

The lessee will be reimbursed \$100 if the board is returned in good condition on or before presentation day.

#### Terms & conditions:

1. The hire board remain the property of Shellharbour Surf Life Saving Club at all times;
2. The board hire fee must be paid in full prior to taking possession of the craft;
3. The Club shall hold a copy of a valid credit card number and expiry date as guarantee of return. Failure to return the craft by the agreed due date means the member agrees to pay the total cost of a replacement board (approx. \$1200-\$1500) and such cost will be charged to the credit card supplied;
4. Damaged craft must not be used;
5. The member is responsible for all repairs to the craft for the duration of the hire agreement and all such repairs shall be completed by a professional surf craft repairer approved by the Club.
6. The Junior Activities Gear Steward must be notified as soon as practical of any damage to the board such as dings, cracks and/or damage that would prevent normal and safe use;
7. The board must be presented to the Junior Activities Gear Steward or endorsed Club Official upon request and at all times prior to repair;
8. In the event that the member fails to have repairs completed in a timely manner, causing excessive depreciation, the member shall be held liable for part or full cost of a replacement;
9. The member shall have exclusive use of the board for the duration of the hire period.
10. The hire period is **16<sup>th</sup> October 2022 (First day of Nippers) – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (Last day of Nippers/Presentation Day)**
11. A board shall only be used by the club member to whom it has been hired;
12. If the board is lost, stolen or destroyed the member shall be held responsible for its replacement;
13. By signing this application, I, as the parent of the member, agree to all of the above terms and conditions.

Member Name:		Age Group:	
Parent Name:			
Mobile:			
Email:			
Hire fee paid in full & receipt attached:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent Signature:	

#### Club Officer to Complete:

Craft Identification No:		Craft type (circle):	Foam	Fibreglass	Craft Cover No:	
Club Officer Name:				Officer Signature:		
Issue date:		Agreed Return date:		Date of return:		

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Name on Credit Card:	
Credit Card No:	
Expiry date:	CVV:
<b><i>NB. Card details to be destroyed immediately following inspection of craft at the end of the hire term.</i></b>	

EFT details for reimbursement purposes:

Acc Name:	Branch:
BSB:	Acc/No:

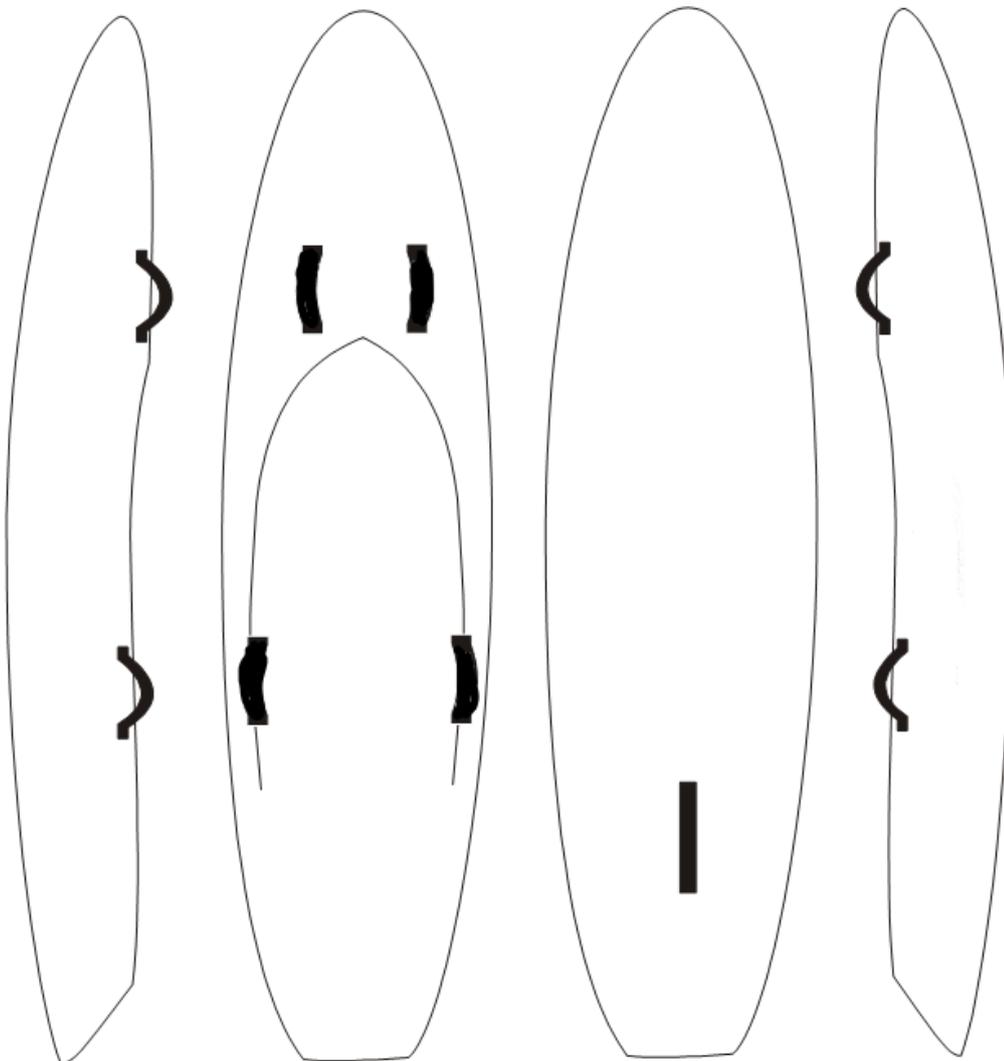


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### STATE OF BOARD – OCTOBER 2022

<b>BRAND</b>		<b>SERIAL NUMBER</b>	
<b>COLOURS / PATTERN</b>		<b>HI-VIS TIP COLOUR</b>	
<b>YEAR</b>		<b>WEIGHT</b>	
<b>COMMENT</b>			

**Damage/ marks noted signing OUT:**



Initials of hire person/  
parent:

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Initials of Admin/ Gear  
Steward:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Damage/ marks noted signing IN:**

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Name of hire person/parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of JAC Gear Steward: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_