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SILVER MEDALLION INFLATABLE RESCUE BOAT DRIVER (SMIRBD)

COURSE AIM

The aim of this course is to provide participants with the skills and knowledge to effectively drive and manage an Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) in surf rescue operations.

PRE-REQUISITES

Candidates must meet ALL of the following conditions:

- be at least 16 years of age to commence training
- be at least 17 years of age on the date of final assessment
- hold and be currently proficient in:
 - Bronze Medallion and Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)
 - IRB Crewperson Certificate meet local state/NT marine licensing requirements where required

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

At completion of this training, you should 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 casualty pick-ups
- Perform complex rescue operations
- 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-operational maintenance of the IRB motor
- Perform motor restart procedure after immersion in the surf
- Report major wear or damage according to organisational procedures

UNIT/S OF COMPETENCY

- PUAEQU001 Prepare, maintain and test response equipment
- PUASAR014 Operate and maintain a small powercraft and motor for rescue operations

These units are also part of the nationally recognised qualification PUA30319 Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue)

NATIONAL LEARNING RESOURCES

- Powercraft Training Manual 9th Ed
- Silver Medallion IRB Driver Learner Guide
- Silver Medallion IRB Driver Assessment Portfolio
- Silver Medallion IRB Driver Delivery and Assessment Guide
- Silver Medallion IRB Driver powerpoint

PROFICIENCY AND RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

For the award to remain current, you must participate in an annual skills maintenance session and be assessed as proficient prior to 31 December each year. The annual skills maintenance session must meet the minimum requirements set by SLISA as well as be completed in accordance with state/ territory-based requirements and standard operating procedures.

Candidates who believe they already possess some or all of the skills and knowledge of this award, or who have received one or more of the related units of competency, may wish to apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) or Credit Transfer. These candidates should consult their Training Officer or State Centre for more information.

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