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# AUSTRALIAN BOARDRIDERS BATTLE

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## 2026 GRAND FINAL CLUB MANUAL



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## Fast Facts

- The Australian Boardriders Battle is an unprecedented event series involving over 85 of Australia's Boardriders Clubs in eight State qualifying events and culminating in a Grand Final for 42 clubs in 2026
- Surfing Australia has "Shared the Stoke" for an enduring 13 years and have given back over 1.5 Million dollars to Australian Boardrider Clubs
- The 2026 NRMA Insurance Australian Boardriders Battle Grand Final is proudly supported by ACCIONA, Babybel, Jim Beam, CELSIUS, Kennards Hire, Boost Mobile, Fujifilm Photos, Better Beer, Daiwa Australia, BC™ Protein Snacks, Sodii, We Are Feel Good Inc, BLACKROLL, Murf Electric Bikes Australia, the Burleigh Pavilion, Zuum Energy Gum and Surfers for Climate.  
  
The 2026 NRMA Insurance ABB Gold Coast Grand Final is supported by Experience Gold Coast and the Queensland Government through Tourism and Events Queensland.
- National Final participating Boardriders Club (BRC) breakdown:  
22 x NSW BRC's (6 x NSW North BRC's, 8 x NSW Central BRC's 8 x NSW South BRC's), 8 x QLD BRC's, 3 x VIC BRC, 3 x WA BRC, 2 x SA BRC, 2 x TAS BRC, 2 x Wildcard BRC's by application
- The Australian Boardriders Battle will comprise of a Teams format at the Regional and Grand Final battles
- To win, clubs need to possess true depth of talent and the understanding of the different strategies that need to be applied to Teams surfing format
- \$24,600 prize money split between x 8 State events
- \$138,000 prizemoney across all regional and Grand Final battles with the winning club taking home a huge \$22,000
- All clubs will have access to the Celsius Recharge Zone
- Speciality awards:  
Wayne "Rabbit" Bartholomew and Layne Beachley awards - Winners to receive a Murf Bike.  
Jim Beam Club Spirit Awards to the "Loudest and Proudest" club of the weekend  
Boost Wave of the Day  
Celsius Overall Performer Best performing surfer of the Grand Final  
Mascot Challenge Saturday afternoon - \$2500
- **The 2026 NRMA Insurance Australian Boardriders Battle will be broadcast live on Channel 9 GO over the entire weekend.**

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# BATTLE LINES

The battle lines have been drawn.  
Over 85 clubs from six States do battle  
over four months to qualify for the  
Grand Final in 2026.



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## HOW TO ENTER

Clubs can enter online at at your State branch website under “Events” - Entries open in August 2025.

State entries to the Australian Boardriders battle close 1 week prior to scheduled state event.

[Entry fee for the State and Grand Final events will be \\$450 + gst](#)

## CLUB ELIGIBILITY

All competing clubs must be affiliated and insured with their relevant SA State branch and must hold regular club meeting and club championship rounds for the 2025 and 2026 surfing seasons.

## CLUB COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY

Club competitors must be current and financial members of their respective club for the 2025 and 2026 surfing seasons.

A surfer can only compete for the one club in Regional and Grand Final battles.

All ABB competitors must be holders of an **Australian passport, Australian birth certificate** or have been granted **full Australian citizenship**.

Permanent residency is not recognised and does not comply with the above eligibility stipulation.

Proof of all of the above will be on the onus of every competitor and can be requested by the Technical Committee/Director at any time prior, during, or after the specified event.

## AGE GROUPS ARE DEFINED AND DETERMINED BY

Juniors cannot be, or turn 18 by December 31st 2026. Please note: Under 18 Junior Surfers that qualify and surfed in the regional battle will pre-qualify for the Grand Final in 2026. All other Juniors surfers that have **not pre-qualified** will have to adhere to the Dec 31st 2026 age restrictions.

Masters must be 35 and over as of the 1st of January 2026.

## GRAND FINAL BATTLE SEEDING

The 2026 Grand Final seeding will be based on the results from the 2025 Grand Final and the 2025/26 regional battles.

The highest placed club from each state will determine the state seeding order. The final placings of each state regional battle will determine the order of seeds with the total points being used to separate equal placings.

The selected wildcard clubs will be given the lowest seeds.

## WILD CARD APPLICATION

Wild Card applications will open 9am 24th Sept 2025 and will close 5pm on the 14th November 2025.

Application form are available on the Australian Boardriders Battle website.

Selections will be determined by the Surfing Australia selection panel.

Successful applicant will be notified by Tuesday 18th November 2025.

Wild Card application criteria:

1. Club results in all ABB series
2. Club results in other State National inter cub competitions from 2020
3. Club nominated squad - Individual nominated surfer's results



## State Qualifying Events

There will be eight rounds of State qualifying events from September 14, 2025 through to Mid November 2025. Due to the large number of clubs in NSW the State will be split into three qualifying regions North, Central and South.

- Surfing NSW Regions - North (Far North Coast + North Coast + Mid-North Coast to Hawkes Nest)
- NSW Central = (Port Stephens to Newcastle + Central Coast + Northern Beaches to Harbour Bridge)
- NSW South = (Harbour Bridge to Southside + Sutherland + Illawarra + South Coast)

All State qualifying events will be **Teams format only** using the second chance progression formats used in the SA Rule book. There is prize money for top placed clubs in all State events but the most valuable opportunity is to qualify and compete for the big buck\$ in the prestigious National Final.

### EVENT 1: SURFING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TRIGG, WA - 13 OR 14 SEPT, 2025

### EVENT 2: SURFING NEW SOUTH WALES

#### NSW NORTH

NSW NTH - COFFS HARBOUR, NSW - 20 SEPT, 2025

### EVENT 3: SURFING VICTORIA

#### VICTORIA

PHILLIP ISLAND, VIC - 5 OCT, 2025

### EVENT 4: SURFING QUEENSLAND

#### QUEENSLAND

SUNSHINE COAST, QLD - 11 OCT, 2025

### EVENT 5: SURFING SOUTH AUSTRALIA

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

FLEURIEU PENINSULA, SA - 19 OCT, 2025

### EVENT 6: SURFING TASMANIA

#### TASMANIA

SCAMANDER, TAS - 25 OCT, 2025

### EVENT 7: SURFING NEW SOUTH WALES

#### NSW SOUTH

CRONULLA, NSW - 2 NOV, 2025

### EVENT 8: SURFING NEW SOUTH WALES

#### NSW CENTRAL

NORTH NARRABEEN, NSW - 8 NOV, 2025

### EVENT 9: SURFING AUSTRALIA

#### QUEENSLAND - NATIONAL GRAND FINAL

BURLEIGH HEADS, QLD - 7TH & 8TH MARCH 2026

In regards to state allocations of qualifying clubs into the National Final; If a State regional battle has 4 or less clubs competing, the top 2 clubs will qualify for the National Grand final.

If a State regional battle has 8 or less clubs competing the top 3 clubs will qualify for the National Grand Final.

#### STATE QUALIFYING EVENTS PRIZE MONEY

##### NSW

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000
3rd	\$500
4th	\$400

##### QLD

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000
3rd	\$500
4th	\$400

##### WA

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000
3rd	\$500

##### VIC

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000
3rd	\$500

##### TAS

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000

##### STH AUST

1st	\$1,500
2nd	\$1,000

# BATTLE PLAN

The Battle Plan comprises of a tactical teams format at each State qualifying event and Grand Final.

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## Event Rules

### 1. CLUB SQUAD

Only one competing squad can be nominated per club.

A maximum of 10 competing members will make up the entire club squad.

State and National event organisers will double check all age and citizenship requirements.

Each club squad can consist of 2 Open males & 1 Open female, 1 Junior (male or female), and 1 Over 35 Master (male or female). Plus reserves - 1 Open male reserve, 1 Open female reserve, 1 Junior reserve and 1 Master reserve will be allowed for the regional and Grand Final events.

Each club must have a designated competing club captain, and a non-competing designated coach and or manager. The Club coach/manager will be solely responsible for submitting the club team, from the nominated club squad before each match.

### TEAMS FORMAT

Selected out of the club squad a minimum of 5 competing members can be utilised for the Teams format.

Each club Team will consist of 2 Open males & 1 Open female, 1 Junior (male or female), and 1 Over 35 Master (male or female)

One of the 5 Team members will be chosen as the Power Surfer.

The club team or order of names can be changed from heat to heat.

A club must complete a new club team list with any changes using the new LIVE Heats managers club porta

2. Reserves: A reserve surfer can be used at the start of the next heat or round. Each club may include 1 nominated reserve team member in each of the following divisions. E.g. Open Male, Junior, Master and Open Female. **All club squad members must be nominated prior to the start of the competition so age and citizenship eligibility can be determined to meet all criteria.**
3. Each club must have a designated competing club captain, and a non-competing designated coach and or manager.
4. Club competitors must be current and financial members of their respective club for the 2025 and 2026 surfing seasons.
5. A surfer can only compete for the one club in Regional and Grand Final battles.
6. All ABB competitors must be holders of an **Australian passport, Australian birth certificate** or have been granted **full Australian citizenship**.  
  
Permanent residency is not recognised and does not comply with the above eligibility stipulation.
7. Age groups are determined by:  
Juniors cannot be, or turn, 18 by the 31st December 2026. Please note: Under 18 Junior Surfers that qualify and surfed in the regional battle will pre-qualify for the Grand Final in 2026. All other Juniors surfers that have **not pre-qualified** will have to adhere to the Dec 31st 2026 age restrictions.  
  
Masters must be 35 and over by the 1st January 2026.
8. Once a team member has been nominated for the designated heat they cannot be substituted in that heat. Runners for injured surfers are not allowed.
9. Surfers can be interchanged between each surfing format at the start of a new heat, round or day.



## State and Grand Final Event Rules

10. All clubs are encouraged to use all of their club squad members at least once during the event.
11. All competitors, club captains and managers must be available for any media commitments at the event.
12. Any ties between clubs in a Teams match will be broken by going back to the POWER SURFER'S highest scoring final ride. If they are still tied the tie will be broken by going back to the POWER SURFER'S first ride in the match.
13. The highest placed club from each state at the 2025 Grand Final will determine the state order of the 2026 National Final. The results and points scored at the State regional battles will determine the rest of the seeding.
14. All State prize monies will be paid to the club on receipt of a **valid tax invoice within 14 days by the respective State branch.**
15. **All Grand Final prize monies will be paid to the club on receipt of a valid tax invoice and within 14 days of the National Final.**



## Dangerous Conditions Rules

1. At all times the safety and wellbeing of our competitors is of the utmost of importance. A safe surfing environment at events will be determined by the nominated competition officials. There are certain surf and weather conditions that can be classified as hazardous concerning the safety and wellbeing of all competitors.
2. In the event of surf or weather conditions that could be considered to be dangerous the Contest Director, Head Judge and Event Manager (Officials) will consult and are all authorised separately to make a decision to protect the safety and wellbeing of all competitors by immediately suspending the competition for all or some competitors until such time as the Contest Director, Head Judge and Event Manager can meet to make a final determination.
3. Where there are concerns about conditions or where an Official has suspended the competition, a meeting between the Contest Director, Head Judge and Event Manager will be convened at the earliest possible time to decide the appropriate course of action.
4. After consultation between the Contest Director, Head Judge and Event Manager the competition can be suspended, cancelled or re-scheduled until surf conditions or weather improves.
5. Where a competition has been suspended by one or all of the Officials, the competition may not recommence without a unanimous decision of the Contest Director, Head Judge and Event Manager.
6. There may be a need to suspend, cancel or re-schedule some surfing divisions based on the skill level of the competitors in that division due to the hazardous surf and weather conditions.
7. The decision by Surf Life Savers or Beach inspectors to close the beach for swimming is a matter to be considered by the Officials but that decision to close the beach does not require mandatory cessation or suspension of the competition.



## Team Event Rules

### COMPETITION FORMAT & RULES

Surfing Australia have devised a unique competition format for the Australian Boardriders Battle Teams event.

1. Each Round 1 comprises of different Boardriders Club teams. Times will be at the discretion of the Head Judge and Contest Director.
2. Each Team is made up of 5 surfers - 2 x Open Men, 1 x Open Woman, 1 Master (O35 male or female) 1 Junior (U18 male or female). Open is classified as any age group.
3. In regards to the Judging scale - The judges will score each surfer based on the division that the surfer has been nominated for. Furthermore and as an example. A power surfer will be judged on the same scale across all power surfers regardless of gender.

If a surfer has been nominated for either Junior or Masters division they will be judged on the same scale across all of the junior/masters surfers regardless of gender.

4. Team surfers can be interchangeable at the start of a new heat, round or day. Juniors cannot be, or turn, 18 by the 31st of December 2026. Please note: Under 18 Junior Surfers that qualify and surfed in the regional battle will pre-qualify for the Grand Final in 2026. All other Juniors surfers that have **not pre-qualified** will have to adhere to the Dec 31st 2026 age restrictions.

The Club coach/manager will be solely responsible for submitting the club team, from the nominated club squad before each match.

Masters must be 35 and over as of the 1st of January 2026.

5. Each surfer can catch an unlimited number of waves – it can be the best 1 or 2 waves. This will be decided prior to the round starting and will be at the discretion of the Head Judge and the Contest Director.
6. If a wave has been caught within the allotted match time it could possibly count towards the team total regardless of whether the surfer has returned to the change-over area to release the next surfer.
7. At the end of the allotted heat time or when the surfer has completed his or her “set” the competing surfer is to return to the beach and enter the change-over zone before the next team surfer can be released. Entering the change-over zone means any part of the surfers body crossing or touching the finish line.
8. Every club competitor must complete the designated run leg from the official ENTRY point of the run track to the official change-over area/finish line.

No short cutting of the run leg will be allowed.

9. No runners allowed for competing team members.
10. Each team is to nominate a POWER SURFER prior to the beginning of their respective heat. The POWER SURFER CANNOT be surfer no.5 in the team order list. The POWER SURFER is allowed to return to the water and **surf 1 extra wave ONLY** after all 5 surfers have completed their “set” of allotted waves. If caught within the allotted match time, the POWER SURFER’S wave will count towards the team total regardless of whether the POWER SURFER has returned to the change-over area.
11. POWER SURFER will be judged on the Open power surfer’s scoring scale whether male or female.
12. If there is a tie on points at the end of the match, there will be a count back between tied teams and broken by the highest final extra wave score from their respective POWER SURFER.
13. State qualifying Teams formats and Leaderboard points will be available from the appropriate State branch.



## TEAM PENALTIES

Surfer competes out of turn by entering the water and catching a wave: **Loss of 5 points.**

A Surfer breaks early outside of the change-over area: **Loss of 5 points.**

Team fails to catch wave limit within heat time, and or the final surfers of the team has not crossed over the line in the change-over area before the allocated 'match time' expires: **Loss of 5 points.**

Please note: The wave score will still count towards the teams total

POWER SURFER catches more than 1 wave: **Loss of 5 points.**

Riding and paddling interferences:

If it is best 1 wave - the interfering wave will be counted as a zero. The highest wave of the interfering surfer will be halved.

If it is best 2 waves - the interfering wave will be counted as a zero. The second highest wave of the interfering surfer will be halved.

The surfer that was interfered with will receive an extra wave if wanted, and if the match time allows.

Failure to complete the full official run leg: **Loss of 5 points and the offending surfer's scoring wave.**

**\*Penalty points are deducted from the team match total.**

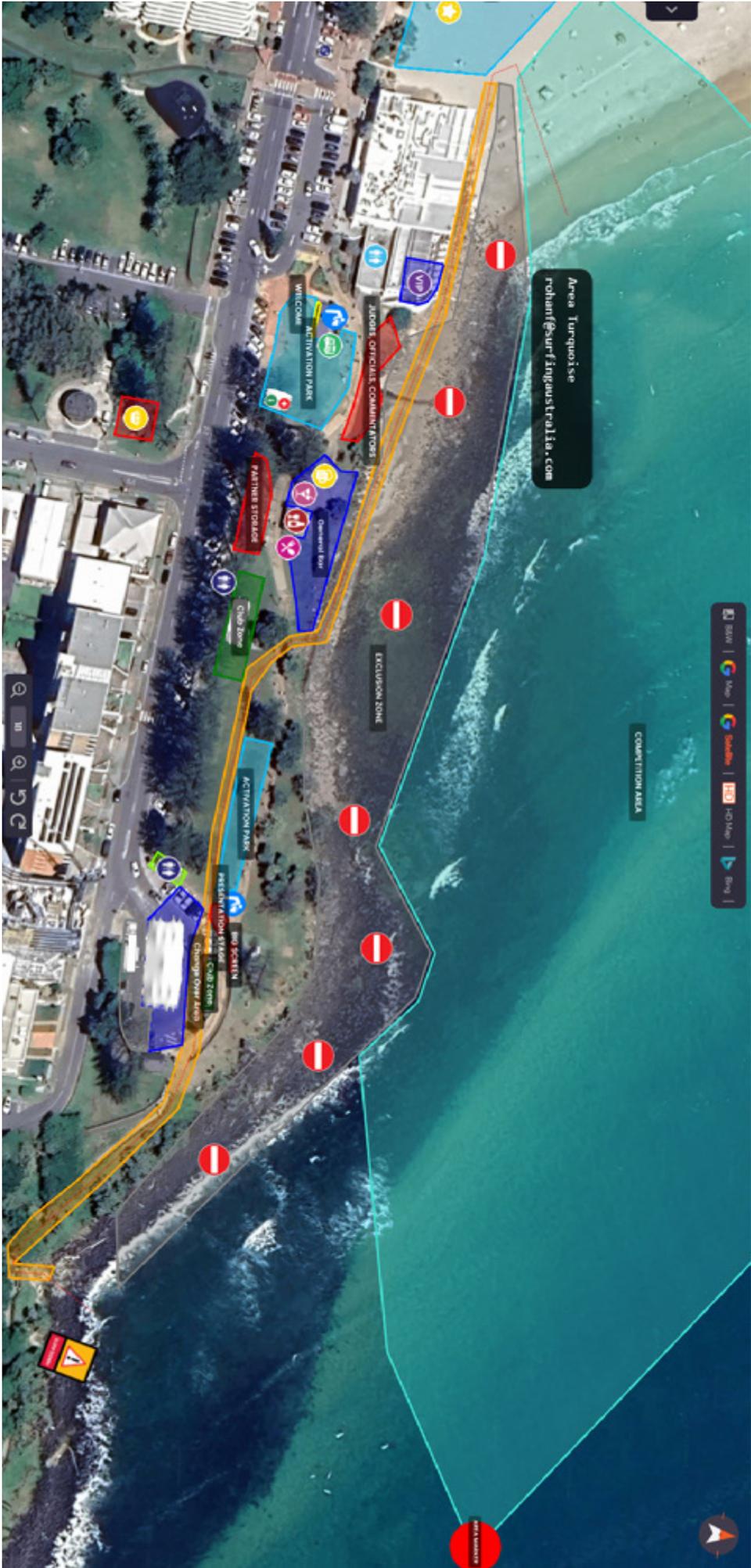
### COACHING TIP

Managing time is crucial to the overall team performance.

The ultimate goal is to give the POWER SURFER a chance to score again.

Most matches are decided by this last chance to add to the team total by the POWER SURFER'S extra wave.

**Time management and allowing all your surfers to finish is the key to success!!**



# BURLEIGH POINT COMP ZONE



# RECHARGE ZONE



**Celsius will host the Celsius Recharge Zone at the 2026 NRMA Insurance Australian Boardriders Battle. Throughout the entire weekend, Celsius will provide product sampling and refreshments. Gym equipment supplied by BLACKROLL will help create a comfortable recovery space where Boardrider Clubs can relax, warm up, and prepare for their heats during the ABB Grand Final weekend.**

## THE CELSIUS OVERALL PERFORMER AWARD

Celsius will provide a case of Celsius Energy Drinks and exclusive merch:

- The Celsius Overall Performer recognizes the standout surfer of the entire event. This individual consistently demonstrates excellence both in and out of the water, bringing their team to the final.
- The Celsius Overall Performer award is not about a single wave or highlight moment—it celebrates overall impact across the entire event. This surfer doesn't need to come from the winning team and cannot be the same as the Boost Wave of the Day Winner. Instead, they bring the "Celsius Energy" to their team.
- Think of an athlete - someone who brings the energy, determination, and resilience that inspires their team to reach the final.



## 2026 NRMA INSURANCE AUSTRALIAN BOARDRIDERS BATTLE GRAND FINAL - RUNNING SCHEDULE

HEAT NO	DAY 1 - 7TH MARCH 2026	HEAT TIME	ACTUAL TIME
	<b>BROADCAST INTRO</b>	15 MINS	7:30AM
1	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 1	70 Mins	7:45AM
2	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 2	70 Mins	8:57AM
3	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 3	70 Mins	10:09AM
4	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 4	70 Mins	11:21AM
5	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 5	70 Mins	12:33PM
6	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 6	70 Mins	1:45PM
7	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 1 - HEAT 7	70 Mins	2:57PM
8	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - REDEMPTION ROUND - HEAT 1	70 Mins	4:09PM
9	MASCOT CHALLENGE	50 Mins	5:21PM
Please note: 2 min lag time between every heat			

HEAT NO	DAY 2 - 8TH MARCH 2026	HEAT TIME	ACTUAL TIME
	<b>BROADCAST INTRO</b>	15 Mins	7:30AM
1	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 2 - HEAT 1	70 Mins	7:45AM
2	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 2 - HEAT 2	70 Mins	8:57AM
3	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 2 - HEAT 3	70 Mins	10:09AM
4	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - ROUND 2 - HEAT 4	70 Mins	11:21AM
	<b>BREAK - ROUND RECAP</b>		12:33PM
5	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - SEMI FINAL - HEAT 1	70 Mins	12:43PM
6	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - SEMI FINAL - HEAT 2	70 Mins	1:55PM
	<b>PRE FINAL SHOW</b>	20 Mins	3:07PM
7	SURFING AUSTRALIA TEAMS - GRAND FINAL - HEAT 1	70 Mins	3:27PM
	10 MIN BREAK BETWEEN GRAND FINAL & PRESENTATION	10 Mins	4:37PM
	PRESENTATION	15 Mins	4:52PM
	EVENT COMPETITION CONCLUDES	FINISH APPROX	5:07PM

Please Note:

All times are in AEST. All heat times above are approximate – 70 mins is the maximum heat time, and this decision will be made on Saturday and Sunday morning dependant on conditions.

All 4th places in all round 1 heats to stand by for the redemption round which will be the last heat on Saturday afternoon.

Top 6 - 4th placed clubs (based on total points scored in your heat) will be eligible for a second chance to qualify for Sunday's 2nd round heats.

Top 3 placed clubs in the redemption round heat will earn a place into Sunday's 2nd round.



## 2026 NRMA INSURANCE AUSTRALIAN BOARDRIDERS BATTLE

**42 CLUBS  
SATURDAY 8 HEATS @ 70 MINS**

### RND 1 - HEAT 1

	CLUB	1
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 5

	CLUB	5
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 2

	CLUB	2
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 6

	CLUB	6
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 3

	CLUB	3
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 7

	CLUB	7
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

### RND 1 - HEAT 4

	CLUB	4
Red		
White		
Yellow		
Blue		
Green		
Black		

EQUAL 25TH PLACE  
EQUAL 29TH PLACE x 7  
EQUAL 36TH PLACE x 7

### RQ REDEMPTION RND 1

	CLUB	TOTAL	8
Red	4.1st		
White	4.2nd		
Yellow	4.3rd		
Blue	4.4th		
Green	4.5th		
Black	4.6th		

All 4th places from Rnd 1 are entered into a leaderboard to determine the top 6 clubs to compete in the RQ redemption Rnd

Top 3 progress to Rnd 2  
EQUAL 25TH PLACE x 3      \$1,500



## 2026 NRMA INSURANCE AUSTRALIAN BOARDRIDERS BATTLE

21 CLUBS

SUNDAY 7 HEATS @ 70 MINS 8 HOURS 10 MINS

### RND 2 - HEAT 1

	CLUB	TOTAL	9
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

### RND 2 - HEAT 2

	CLUB	TOTAL	10
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

### RND 2 - HEAT 3

	CLUB	TOTAL	11
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

### RND 2 - HEAT 4

	CLUB	TOTAL	12
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

EQUAL 13TH PLACE x 4 \$2,200

EQUAL 17TH PLACE x 4 \$2,000

EQUAL 21ST PLACE x 4 \$1,800

### Semi Final - HEAT 1

	CLUB	TOTAL	13
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

### Semi Final - HEAT 2

	CLUB	TOTAL	14
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

EQUAL 7TH PLACE x 2 \$3,600

EQUAL 9TH PLACE x 2 \$3,200

EQUAL 11TH PLACE x 2 \$2,500

### Grand Final

	CLUB	TOTAL	15
Red			
White			
Yellow			
Blue			
Green			
Black			

Sunday 7 heats

### PRIZE MONEY

1ST \$22,000

2ND \$8,000

3RD \$6,000

4TH \$4,700

5TH \$4,200

6TH \$4,000

Further Grand Final prize-money 7th to 25th breakdown TBC



## Code of Conduct

Surfing Australia and all of our partners want to encourage all of the Boardriders Clubs to compete in a professional manner, and we require your support in providing a safe, on-beach alcohol and smoke free environment at the State and National events.

- Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the officials, making all appeals through the formal process and respecting the final decision
- Refrain from any behaviour that may bring Surfing Australia, affiliated State branches or clubs into disrepute
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow surfers, clubs, coaches, officials and spectators
- Be fair, considerate and honest in your dealings with others
- Be professional in, and accept responsibility for, your actions
- Conduct yourself in a professional manner relating to language, temper and punctuality
- Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adherence to, Surfing Australia's standards, rules, regulations and policies
- Refrain from any form of harassment of fellow surfers, clubs, coaches, officials and spectators
- Care for and respect the equipment provided to you from your club or Surfing Australia and its affiliated State branches
- Be frank and honest with your coach concerning illness and injury while competing
- Maintain a high personal behaviour standard at all times – Surfing Australia does not tolerate acts of aggression!
- No conflicting sponsor branding on any club items is allowed to be brought into event area including but not limited to tents and club signage
- No alcohol is to be brought into the on-beach event area of any State event or the National Final
- All areas of the event sites are alcohol and smoke-free unless licensed
- No alcohol at presentation ceremonies on-beach
- Do not hand winners any alcoholic drinks in celebrations on-beach
- Understand the repercussions if you breach, or are aware of any breaches, of this code of behaviour
- Any breaches of the above will result in the disqualification of the surfer and or club

## Integrity in Surfing

Surfing Australia adopted the National Integrity Framework (developed by independent government agency Sport Integrity Australia) to keep Surfing safe, fun, fair and inclusive for all participants, from grassroots to our Olympians.

The National Integrity Framework (NIF) is a suite of policies which sets out rules for unacceptable behaviour (known as 'Prohibited Conduct') in sport (for us, that's Surfing), and explains the way complaints about breaches of these rules are managed.

The Framework covers integrity threats such as:



Bullying



Harassment



Child abuse



Match-fixing



Sports betting



Improper use of medicines and supplements



Illegal drugs

### The National Integrity Framework (NIF) is made up of 5 policies:

1. [Safeguarding Children & Young People Policy](#)
2. [Member Protection Policy](#)
3. [Competition Manipulation & Sport Gambling Policy](#)
4. [Improper Use of Drugs & Medicines Policy](#)
5. [Complaints, Disputes and Discipline Policy](#) (the top four policies are underpinned by this policy)

### NIF-supporting policies

The Framework doesn't cover every matter considered an integrity issue. There are several topics that fall outside of its scope, including:

- [Code of Conduct](#) breaches
- [Anti-doping](#) (these matters are managed under Sport Integrity Australia's Anti-Doping Policy).
- Personal grievances
- & more

Surfing Australia has its [own policies](#), Rule Book, Manuals and procedures to manage these issues.



## Who should you contact with a complaint or concern?

CONTACT SPORT INTEGRITY AUSTRALIA FOR:	CONTACT SURFING AUSTRALIA FOR:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any issues relating to misconduct with a child, including sexual misconduct, inappropriate touching, verbal or physical abuse, body shaming, breaching safety practices, supplying drugs or alcohol to a minor, or any other concerning behaviour</li> <li>Any issues relating to discrimination based on race, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or religion</li> <li>Any suspicions of doping</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issues relating to misconduct between adults</li> <li>Heat-fixing or other types of competition manipulation</li> <li>Code of Conduct breaches</li> <li>Selection disputes</li> <li>Any other complaints or concerns</li> </ul>
<p><b>SAFE SPORT HOTLINE:</b> 1800 161 361 7am-7pm (AEDT), 7 days a week, 365 days a year</p> <p><b>GENERAL ENQUIRIES HELPLINE:</b> 1300 027 232 9am-4:30pm (AEDT) Monday to Friday</p> <p><b>EMAIL:</b> <a href="mailto:contactus@sportintegrity.gov.au">contactus@sportintegrity.gov.au</a></p> <p><b>WEB:</b> <a href="https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/contactus/make-an-integrity-complaint-or-report">https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/contactus/make-an-integrity-complaint-or-report</a></p> <p><b>Integrity Complaint or Report   Sport Integrity Australia:</b> <a href="http://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/make-a-report/what-you-can-report">www.sportintegrity.gov.au/make-a-report/what-you-can-report</a></p>	<p><b>SURFING'S NATIONAL INTEGRITY MANAGER</b></p> <p><b>EMAIL:</b> <a href="mailto:integrity@surfingaustralia.com">integrity@surfingaustralia.com</a></p> <p><b>SELECTION DISPUTES, JUDGING COMPLAINTS, etc - EMAIL :</b> <a href="mailto:info@surfingaustralia.com">info@surfingaustralia.com</a></p> <p><b>PHONE:</b> 02 6671 0000 (Surfing Australia National Integrity &amp; Complaints Manager)</p> <p><b>WEB:</b> <a href="http://www.surfingaustralia.com/sportintegrity">www.surfingaustralia.com/sportintegrity</a></p>

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