AWARD SPECIFICATION



Level 3 – Experienced Surf Competency

Minimum Age at Assessment:	 Minimum of 12 years of age on the date of assessment for swim, board, ski awards. 		
Minimum Guided Learning Hours:	10 hours prior to assessment		
Pre-Requisites:	Must be an SLSGB member		
	Must be show evidence of ability to complete the relevant Level 2 criteria before		
	progressing to Level 3		
	Must hold a current Surf Swimming Level 2 award before being able to undertake		
	other Level 3 awards of Board or Ski.		
Validity:	Swim Level 3 is valid for 24 months.		
	 Other Level 3 awards are indefinite (not defined at the current time). 		
	 An individual must hold current Swimming Level 2 (Surf) competence 		
	to remain valid or to enable them progress to Level 3 Board, Ski, Surf		
	boat or Pool competency awards.		
Continuous Professional Development	Not Applicable		
(CPD:			
Trained By:	Level 1 or 2 Coach		
Assessed By:	Level 1 or 2 Coach/ This Award can only be Coach assessed by a Coach holding a		
	relevant discipline specialist module.		
Assessment Fee:	£5		
Units to be taken in order to achieve	Not Applicable		
this Award:			

Award Aims:

The award is aimed at achieving personal competence for moderate surf conditions, or advancing skills to be tested in competitive events, as well as being able to provide functional surf skilled support to water safety cover. The award develops the skills associated with an experienced lifesaver demonstrating consistently good skills in head high surf. It also enables them to explain key surf safety points to others for their specific discipline. This award provides a good base to progress to more advanced competencies, lifesaving awards, water industry safety qualifications and relevant SLSGB qualified roles.

(Moderate surf conditions e.g. head high waves (approximate).

Award Learning outcomes:

Candidate must be able to demonstrate that they can perform the following criteria competently:

Swim	Board	Ski
Demonstrate the safe assistance of a	Demonstrate safe assistance of a	Demonstrate safe assistance of a
conscious casualty to shore in surf	conscious casualty to shore using a	conscious individual to safety using a Ski
conditions, using a rescue tube	Paddle Board in surf conditions	
Demonstrate simulated deep water EAV	Demonstrate simulated deep water EAV	Demonstrate simulated deep water EAV
using a rescue tube	using a board	using a Ski
Explain the safe and less safe points	Explain the safe and less safe points	Explain the safe and less safe points
regarding the prevailing conditions, for a	regarding the prevailing conditions, for a	regarding the prevailing conditions, for a
surf swimmer	Paddle Boarder	Ski Paddler
Demonstrate consistently good skills in	Demonstrate consistently good level of	Demonstrate consistently good level of
the following surf swimming skills:	ability to perform the following skills:	ability to perform the following skills:
Wading	Kneeling technique	Balance
Dolphin dives	Bunny hops	Technique
Deep water starts	Deep water starts	Jump starts
Wave negotiation	Kneel and pop	 Negotiating waves
 Swimming out to sea 	Rolling	Rolling waves
• Turns	Chasing runs	Wash riding
Bodysurfing	Wave riding	• Turns
 Exit from the water 	Exit from the water	Chasing runs
		Wave riding
		Exit from the water
Able to ride along a head high wave left	Able to ride head high wave left and	Able to ride a head high wave towards
and right	right performing turns, as appropriate to	shore
	make best use of the conditions	

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Assessment Process:

This award is assessed over a number of club sessions until the coach is competent that the candidates can achieve the above desired outcomes. In the view of the Assessor, the participant must be able to complete a flat water training session or event, without the need for assistance.

Subjective Criteria: In the view of the assessor, the participant must be able to show consistently good skills in surf conditions of head high conditions.

Objective criteria: Demonstrate discipline specific criteria indicated in the above table

	of delivery:

During club sessions – A minimum of 10 guided learning hours must be coached prior to the assessment taking place		
Supporting Information:		
Guidance:	Not Applicable	
Resources Available:	Not Applicable	
MIS (Membership	This award must be registered on MIS and candidates enrolled prior to the assessment taking	
Information System):	place	
Online Learning Environment:	Not Applicable	
Recognition of Prior Learning:	Not Applicable	
Progression:	SLSGB basic and advanced competencies (Levels 2 or above) for swim or board disciplines or	
	Level 1 and above in other disciplines. Or the Bronze, Silver or Gold Surf Safety Awards.	