

S P L A S H

September 2024

Success! – 2024 Canadian Surf Lifesaving Championships

The Lifesaving Society New Brunswick had the honour of hosting the Canadian Surf Lifesaving Championships for the first time since 2016 at Parlee Beach Provincial Park August 23–25.

Ten teams from across Canada competed, demonstrating their invaluable lifesaving skills on both land and water.

Congratulations to Royal City Aquatics (ON) on placing first, and congratulations to all competing clubs, placing as follows:

1. **Royal City Aquatics (ON)**
2. **Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service (NS)**
3. **Rouville Surf Club (QC)**
4. **Saugeen Shores Lifesaving Club (ON)**
5. **Sea Devils Lifesaving Club (QC)**
6. **Club de Sauvetage Sportif de Gatineau (QC)**
7. **Parlee Beach Lifesaving Club (NB)**
8. **BLIS Lifesaving Club (ON)**
9. **Canada Games Aquatic Centre (NB)**
10. **Pacific Swim Academy (BC)**

Thank you to the sponsors of the competition: Lifesaving Society Ontario, Explore NB, Parlee Beach Provincial Park, SE Mutual Insurance, Co-op IGA, the Town of Shediac and the City of Dieppe. We also thank all the talented volunteers who gave their time and expertise to make the competition a success.



The Lifesaving Society acknowledges and thanks the Government of New Brunswick for its ongoing support of our drowning prevention mission.

The importance of prerequisites

Pre = prefix: in front of, before, earlier than, prior to
Requisite = adj: essential, necessary

Many Lifesaving Society awards require prerequisites be in place before starting the course. The prerequisite may be another award or a minimum age. As an instructor or examiner, it is your responsibility to ensure candidates are eligible for courses you teach or examine. The Society cannot issue awards to candidates who do not have the required prerequisites.

Remember:

- Prerequisite awards need not be current.
- Prerequisite awards must be earned prior to the start date of the course to which they apply.
- When two or more awards are offered together (e.g., Emergency First Aid and Bronze Cross), the Society deems the prerequisite award to have been earned in the correct order.
- Minimum age requirements must be attained by the last day of the course or the day of the exam.
- Proof of prerequisites must be in the form of official Lifesaving Society award card or Find a Member result. A completed test sheet **does not** automatically mean a candidate is certified, just as proof of registration in a prerequisite course isn't proof of certification.

Affiliates:

- Put procedures in place to ensure that all candidates prove they hold the proper prerequisites prior to the start of each course.
- Checking prerequisites is a 3-tier process. It should be confirmed:
 - At registration
 - By the instructor on day one
 - By the examiner prior to the start of the exam

This helps filter through candidates and check for errors. It also means that the affiliate's registration desk is the first set of eyes to check for people who don't have the prerequisites.

- Include a list of the required prerequisites in your program brochure and refer registrants to it.
- Do not allow candidates to register if they cannot prove prerequisites.

Instructors:

- Check candidate prerequisites on the first day of the course.
- Photocopy the prerequisites for the examiner.
- Follow your employer's policies for registration fee credit or refund for candidates who cannot prove prerequisites.
- Explain to parents and candidates that continuing with the course will result in no certification.
- Include a copy of first aid prerequisites earned from other agencies approved by the Society. You can find a list of recognized equivalent awards and their providers [here](#).

Examiners:

- Check candidate prerequisites (photocopied proof provided by the instructor is sufficient).
- Explain to parents and candidates that the candidate cannot be certified without proof of prerequisites.
- Follow affiliate policies on removal of candidates from the exam.
- Candidates who cannot prove prerequisites must be marked incomplete.

Candidates:

- Learn your Lifesaving Society Member ID number. Your Member ID can be used to access your awards record via [Find a Member](#).

2024 NB Waterfront Lifesaving Championships

The New Brunswick Waterfront Lifesaving Championships took place on August 12 at Parlee Beach Provincial Park. Congratulations to champions Parlee Beach Lifesaving Club who won an exciting and tightly fought competition with the City of Fredericton and the Canada Games Aquatic Centre. Final placing for the top three teams were as follows:

1. **Parlee Beach Lifesaving Club**
2. **City of Fredericton**
3. **Canada Games Aquatic Centre**

Registration and participation numbers hit a near-record high, demonstrating a promising future for lifesaving sport championships in the province.

Thank you to the Parlee Beach Provincial Park for hosting the championships and to all volunteers who gave their time to help make the competition a success.

Giving Tuesday

Giving Tuesday brings people together to celebrate generosity and share kindness. This December 3, 2024, we invite you to join this celebration by [offering your support](#) to the Lifesaving Society New Brunswick in our efforts to prevent drowning and water-related injury.

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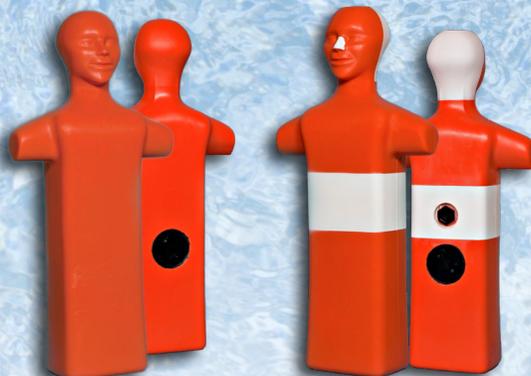
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Common test sheet mistakes and how to fix them

Even little mistakes can slow the processing of test sheets – read these tips and make sure your test sheets breeze through our office with no holdups.

- If we asked for it – we need it – on every test sheet. Even when there are multiple test sheets, please fill them out completely. Missing info slows processing – we have to contact the affiliate and they must re-submit the test sheets. Sometimes candidate awards can't be processed and sent to them.
- Date of birth – birthdate may not mean much to you, but it means everything to us. It's how we find you in our system. We need it. And we need it to be correct.
- Postal codes – we cannot process the test sheet without postal codes. If it's missing, we have to stop and search. This slows everything down.
- Test sheets **must** be signed pen-to-paper. Even if test sheets are filled out digitally, they must be **printed, signed, and then scanned/photographed**. Ensure your test sheet is legible. Print neatly or use the fillable PDF under "[Find a Form](#)" on our website. Don't use flourishing handwriting, colorful pens (they often don't photocopy well), or pencils! Sign your test sheet in conventional, dark coloured pen. We cannot accept digital signatures or typed cursive fonts. Mark completed items with a **C** or a **✓** and incompletes with an **I** or an **X**. Scan or photograph your test sheets so they are neat and clear and send them by email to info@lifesavingnb.ca
- Prerequisites – use [Find a Member](#) to check prerequisites on first day of the course so there are no surprises. We can't process the test sheet without the required prerequisites.
- Member ID – when you're checking prerequisites, add the candidate's six-digit alphanumeric code (bottom right of the award card) to the test sheet. This will allow us to quickly identify the person in our system if there are problems.
- Timing is imperative! Submit your test sheet to the office right after the course. Don't let them pile up!

Lifesaving Society Training and Competition Manikins



Training Manikins
\$277.83 each or 10 for
\$250.05 per unit.
Product code: 42.1185.00

Competition Manikins
\$442.12 each or 10 for
\$375.80 per unit.
Product code: 42.1183.00

- Ideal for practicing pick-ups, carries and removals in lifesaving and lifeguard courses.
- Easy to fill and easy to drain (for submerged unconscious victim simulation).
- Built to withstand regular use.
- Require minimal maintenance.
- Made in Canada by the Lifesaving Society.

The Lifesaving Society's Training and Competition manikins enable course participants to practice important lifesaving and sport skills while maintaining physical distancing protocols.

The Competition Manikin is ILS approved for lifesaving sport competition and allows you to control weight and buoyancy.

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The Lifesaving Society is a national, volunteer organization and registered charity working to prevent drowning and water-related injury. Annually, over 1,000,000 Canadians participate in the Society's swimming, lifesaving, lifeguard and leadership training programs. The Society sets the standard for aquatic safety in Canada and certifies Canada's National Lifeguards.