

# Silver Medallion IRB Drivers

Do you have the skill and the will to try new things? IRB driving is demanding and thrilling all in one. Love the feeling of going fast but also want to gain more awards and more skills? You should talk to the chief instructor about gaining this skill. The ability to drive the IRB gives you so many opportunities for water cover, as well as on patrols and Saturdays at nippers.

ARE YOU GUTTSY ENOUGH?



## **Unit/s Of Competency:**

Ø PUA EQU001B Prepare, maintain and test response equipment

Ø PUASAR014A Operate and maintain a small powercraft and motor for rescue operations

\*These units are also part of the nationally recognized qualification PUA31312 Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue)

## **Pre requisites include:**

Candidates must meet ALL of the following conditions:

Ø be at least 16 years of age to commence training

Ø be at least 17 years of age on the date of final assessment

Ø hold and be currently proficient in: IRB Crewperson Certificate

Ø meet local state/NT marine licensing requirements where required

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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 re-start procedure after immersion in the surf
- Report major wear or damage according to organisational procedures

### **NATIONAL LEARNING RESOURCES**

- Ø Powercraft Training Manual 8<sup>th</sup>
- Ø Silver Medallion IRB Driver Learner Guide
- Ø Silver Medallion IRB Driver Delivery and Assessment Guide
- Ø Silver Medallion IRB Driver powerpoint

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