Surf Life Saving Far North Coast Branch Inc.

2026/27 Season – Carnival Officials Ratio

To insure the fast smooth running of carnivals this season, clubs are advised of the following expectations regarding the number officials clubs are required to allocate at Far North Coast Carnivals, for the 2026/27 Season.

The ratio will be 1 official per 8 competitors or part thereof. This will be strictly enforced for the coming season.

If a club has

1-8 competitors = 1 official

9-16 competitors = 2 officials

17-24 competitors = 3 officials and so on.

Clubs who do not supply the allocated number of officials will be required to reduce the number of competitors on the day of the carnival. This may mean removing competitors from the line prior to the start of an event.

Officials will be required to remain in the area assigned, for the duration of the carnival, unless swaps are made after discussion with the Area/Carnival Referee.

Carnival entries will close on the Sunday evening prior to the carnival, at 6.00pm. Clubs will be required to email Debbie Pawsey carnival.branch@gmail.com with the number of competitors entered. This should be done the same evening, once entries are completed.

We will be checking these numbers with the carnival entries. Clubs will then be notified of the number of officials they are required to allocate for the upcoming carnival.

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