

# Flexible Patrolling Options Procedures

## IMPLEMENTING FLEXIBLE PATROLLING OPTIONS PRIOR TO A PATROL DATE

If weather conditions or other factors as outlined in the above Flexible Patrolling Options can be proven beyond reasonable doubt ahead of the patrol day taking place, then a request to implement one of the outlined options can be sought.

Should a Patrol Captain believe that one of the flexible patrolling options will be appropriate;

- Contact Kurt Vella, [lifesaving@killcaresurfclub.com.au](mailto:lifesaving@killcaresurfclub.com.au), 0499 888 675, or;
- Contact Craig Sheppard, [president@killcaresurfclub.com.au](mailto:president@killcaresurfclub.com.au), 0407 994 177
- If there is agreement, they will advise the Branch Director of Lifesaving who will advise the SOC
- The SOC will alert the ECOT on the day of the patrol
- The Patrol Captain is free to stand down members of the rostered patrol or vary the roster in smaller increments (e.g. 2 hour blocks) to spread the load.
- Remember patrolling members who do not attend should be entered into the patrol operations app as **Excused** so that they maintain their hours.

## IMPLEMENTING FLEXIBLE PATROLLING OPTIONS DURING A PATROL

Should one of the Flexible Patrolling Options be deemed appropriate during a patrol, the Patrol Captain is authorised to make that decision. They should;

- Cross check that the level chosen fits the criteria. If in doubt, contact either Kurt Vella (0499 888 675) or Craig Sheppard (0407 994 177) for confirmation
- Advise Surfcom on Ch. 3 that they are implementing a Flexible Patrolling Option and which level they are scaling to
- Surfcom will advise the State and Branch Duty Officer
- Surfcom will alert the ECOT
- The Patrol Captain is free to stand down members of the rostered patrol or vary the roster in smaller increments (e.g. 2 hour blocks) to spread the load.
- Remember patrolling members who do not attend should be entered into the patrol operations app as **Excused** so that they maintain their hours.

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The Patrol Captain has independent authority to implement the flexible patrolling options but they must be based on evidential criteria. If there is any doubt, please contact either Kurt Vella (0499 888 675) or Craig Sheppard (0407 994 177) to discuss.

## Which Option Can I Use?

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### **If it is a public holiday or during school holidays**

- If it is NOT inclement weather, FULL PATROL must be maintained.
- If it IS inclement weather, (i.e. raining or very windy to a point where there are few if any people on the beach or swell is at a point where you would close the beach) SURVEILLANCE/ INCLEMENT WEATHER PATROL can be implemented.

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### **If it is not a public holiday or during school holidays and there ARE events in the immediate area (e.g. Bouddi Coastal Run);**

- Full Patrol

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### **If it is not a public holiday or school holiday and there are NO events in the immediate area;**

#### **If the forecast maximum temp from the BOM is HIGHER THAN 28° C**

- Full Patrol

#### **If the forecast maximum temp from the BOM is LOWER THAN 28° C**

- Partial Patrol

### **If there are less than 25 people in the primary patrolling area in the last 2 hour period**

- Low Patronage Patrol - Advise Surfcom who will advise the Branch Duty Officer who needs to approve the low patronage patrol.

### **If it is inclement weather**

- Surveillance/Inclement Weather Patrol