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| Policy Name | Nipper Parent Member Policy |
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OBJECTIVE:

The purpose of the policy is to ensure that parents/carers/guardians are aware that as a voluntary organisation the Club requires assistance from parents/carers/guardians to make our nipper program an enjoyable experience.

For this reason each nipper applying for membership with the Club includes an accompanying application for Club membership by a parent/carer/guardian, with the expectation that the parent/carer/guardian will assist in some capacity with the Club's nipper program.

BACKGROUND:

The operation of any successful nipper program can only be achieved through an ongoing commitment from volunteers, and assistance offered from parents/carers/guardians. Kingston Beach SLSC is a family Club and needs the help of every family to share the workload so that we can continue to maintain a high standard and enjoyable environment for all Nippers and their families.

The support from parents/carers/guardians to fill roles including committee members, age managers, officials, recorders, water safety or just a helping hand makes life easier for all, as well as enhancing a child's enjoyment and experience as a nipper. Active parent/carer/guardian involvement in any part of nipper activities is a unique and essential component of the Nippers culture and framework. Such activities could include assisting a child's age manager on the beach, moving equipment to and from the beach or helping out with the weekly BBQ.

DEFINITIONS:

Club – Kingston Beach Surf Life Saving Club (KBSLSC)

Nipper – a junior member aged between 5 and 13 years of age.

Parent/carer/guardian – a person having the legal responsibility of child seeking to be a nipper member of the club.

APPLICATION OF POLICY:

This policy applies to a child and their parent/carer/guardian seeking to become a member of the Club.

POLICY:

The policy requires that at least one (1) parent/carer/guardian per family is required to be registered as a member of the Club.

The Club's registration fee schedule provides a number of options for this parent/carer/guardian membership. The Nipper Parent (General Member) category was specifically created to confirm the expectation that every parent/carer/guardian will assist in the junior activities program in some capacity.

Membership of the Club is also essential for the provision of insurance coverage for the parent/carer/guardian during their activities with the Club. As such, the Nipper Parent (General Member) fee is set at a discounted level to partially cover the cost of participation.

The Club will provide the necessary training and guidance where required.

The Club will continue to work to ensure that the Club is a place where all children feel proud to be a member, where they can learn individual and team skills on the beach and in the surf and above all associate the Club and its activities as places where they can have a great time.

REVIEW:

This policy shall be reviewed in 1 years time.