



Title	Athletes Representative – National Sport Committee
Audience	RLSSA Members
Term of Office	2 Years – March 2019 – Feb 2021
Reports to:	National Sports Advisor (Chair, National Sport Committee)

PURPOSE

An Athlete Representative (AR) is a spokesperson for athletes in the Pool Lifesaving Community. They are an advocate for athlete development and listen to the views of their peers, and will communicate these views to the National Sport Committee.

RELATIONSHIPS

The Athlete's Representative shall liaise with the following:

- Participants and Athletes involved in Pool Lifesaving
- Pool Lifesaving Coaches and Officials
- RLSSA Sport and Lifesaving Development Officer
- RLSSA National Manager, Operations
- National Sport Committee representatives
- National Sport Advisor

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Athlete Representative shall perform the following:

1. Represent the rights and interests of current and future pool lifesaving participants
2. Facilitate athlete adoption of the Pool Lifesaving Participation Framework
3. Establish a means of communicating with athletes (i.e. via the Sports Hub)
4. Provide feedback to the National Sports Committee and RLSSA Office on matters of interest and concern
5. Conduct group meetings with athletes, such as post competition debriefs
6. Act as a mentor for Pool Lifesaving athletes
7. Support new athletes and their inclusion in Pool Lifesaving activities at all stages of the Pool Lifesaving Participation Framework
8. Report to, attend and participate in National Sport Committees (twice annually)



SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

The Athlete Representative should possess the following:

- Demonstrated high levels of pool lifesaving sports skills, knowledge and experience from a grass roots to high performance level
- Strong rapport with pool lifesaving athletes
- Previous experience on national boards / committees / working groups (desirable)
- Thorough understanding of Royal Life Saving and Pool Lifesaving Sport
- Understanding of Sport Australia athlete-related policies, programs and integrity issues
- Positive advocate for athlete development within RLSSA
- Ability to think strategically
- High quality written and oral communication skills

MORE INFORMATION

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