Event Safety Plan

Organising Arrangements
The surfing event is organised and run by the Event Director & Safety Officer.

Planning and Contact with Local Authorities
Permission to use beaches from local authority, beach owners and lifeguards.

Lifeguard Provision

Lifeguards will be RNLI/SLSGB/RLSS Qualified.
There will be a minimum of one lifeguard monitoring the surfing area for the competition. They will have all the required safety and rescue equipment.

Communication During Event

Verbal/ Flag/ Disc/Horn. Hand held radios for use by contest officials and Lifeguards.

Training of Events Team
All key contest personnel are experienced at running surf contests and other similar events.
Training/ Instruction/ briefing will be carried out by Event Director & other senior event staff at a pre event briefing involving key staff to be held

Managing crowd safety and security
The event may not attract large crowds of spectators. However the safety of competitors and spectators is monitored in water by the lifeguards and on land by the Safety Officer.
All site infrastructures removed at the end of each day therefore no overnight site security needed.

Risk Assessment
Attached

Signage / Infrastructure / Facilities
Sighting and erection of scoreboards, flags, banners and contest control vehicles to be checked and OK'd by the Surfing Event Safety Officer.

Fire
The Safety Officer to check contest area for fire hazards and act on his findings.

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Emergency / Accident Management and Reporting
Accident report book kept at contest control
The Emergency Action Plan (EAP), Surfer Code of Conduct and ESF Recommendations for competitors to be prominently displayed at the event.

Environmental considerations
All competitors and officials to be made aware of the ESF policy to; “leave the site in a clean and safe condition, if possible better than we find it”.
SAS (official environmental consultation partners) recommendations to be followed.

Insurance
Surfing event insurance held by ESF. All surfers will be members of ESF/ affiliated via event organisers.

Debrief
Officials to pool experiences and ideas in order to make improvements for future events.

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