

RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

RESEARCH THE ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF SURF LIFEGUARDS

SURF LIFEGUARDS WANTED

BACKGROUND FACTS

- During the summer Surf Lifeguards patrol popular beaches
- There are nearly 4000 Surf Lifeguards patrolling beaches in NZ
- Most Surf Lifeguards are volunteers - but during the holidays some beaches have permanent paid Surf Lifeguards on duty
- There has never been a drowning inside the patrolled areas

Your nearest Surf Club needs more Surf Lifeguards for the summer holidays. They often have applicants who think it would be a great job to be out in the sun and ride around in the inflatable rescue boat but don't have the skills required.

Your task is to research the role and responsibilities of a Surf Lifeguard to write a full job description for prospective employees.

YOU WILL NEED TO COVER

- age,
- skills/qualifications required,
- uniform,
- equipment they carry and operate,
- hours they work and the time of the year they are required
- swimming ability
- knowledge they need to do the job - beach safety reports - do they write these? Are helicopters used for surf rescue at your beach?

You will need to include illustrations of the equipment a Surf Lifeguard is required to use, and their uniform.

Useful website Surf Lifesaving New Zealand, link to <http://www.surflifesaving.org.nz>