

## Circular

<b>Title:</b>	COVID-19 SurfCom Precautions
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<b>Department:</b>	Club Services - Lifesaving
<b>Audience:</b>	All Branches, All Clubs, All SEQ Operational Staff.
<b>Summary:</b>	Access to the Sunshine Coast SurfCom and SOCC is restricted to on duty operators only due to COVID-19.
<b>Date:</b>	18.03.2020

The State Operations and Communication Centre (SOCC) has implemented necessary precautions due to the risks associated with COVID-19.

To ensure we limit exposure to our operators, the SOCC is now shut to all non-essential visitors. Only on-duty Surfcom Operators will be permitted access, meaning no other SLSQ staff, volunteers or external groups are permitted entry until further notice.

These measures will ensure the SOCC can continue to function seven days a week, supporting our lifeguards, volunteer beach patrols and operational support services.

Additionally, the Sunshine Coast SurfCom will continue to operate on weekends with the same access restrictions being applied.

All operators have been briefed on heightened health and safety precautions to ensure their wellbeing and minimise risks of cross-contamination.

We will continue to assess the situation and provide updates as more information comes to light. We look forward to welcoming visitors, particularly new Bronze Medallion trainees, into SurfCom again in the future.

For organisational updates from across SLSQ, please visit: [www.lifesaving.com.au/covid19](http://www.lifesaving.com.au/covid19).

For further information about COVID-19, including signs, symptoms and preventative measures, please [refer to Queensland Health](#).

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Jack McNeil, Acting Lifesaving Operations Coordinator, on 0418 622 628.

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