



SWIMSAFER™ 2.0 PROGRAMME

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Entries & Exits	Slide-in entry Exit using ladder and from pool edge	Step-in entry	Stride / straddle entry	Compact jump	Dive entry (crouching)	Standing dive
Sculling & Body Orientation	 Front float (mushroom or jellyfish), 5 sec, recover to standing position Back float, 5 sec, recover to a standing position 	 Front float (mushroom or jellyfish), 10 sec Swim 5m on front, rollover Back float, 10 sec Swim 5m on back Scull, float or tread for 30 sec (incorporated in Survival & Activity Skills) 	 Scull headfirst on back, 5m Scull, float or tread for 50 sec (incorporated in Survival & Activity Skills) 	 Forward somersault in the water Scull, float or tread for 2 min (incorporated in Survival & Activity Skills) 	 Backward somersault in the water Scull, float or tread whilst putting on a PFD in water (incorporated in Survival & Activity Skills) 	• Scull, float or tread for whilst making a self-made float within 5 min (incorporated in Survival & Activity Skills)
Underwater Skills	Submerge in waist deep (student's) water, open eyes and blow bubbles	Search for and recover an object in chest deep (student's) water	Swim through hoops on pool bottom for 2m	In at least 1.4m deep water, perform feet-first surface dive, swim through hoops on pool bottom for 2m	In at least 1.4m deep water, perform feet-first surface dive, swim through hoops on pool bottom for 3m	In at least 1.8m deep water, perform head-first surface dive (tuck or pike) and perform ear equalisation, if necessary and swim through hoops on pool bottom for 5m



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Movement / Swimming / Stroke	 Movement on front 10m (alternating arms & legs and/or simultaneous arms and legs) Movement on back 5m (alternating arms & legs and/or simultaneous arms and legs) 	 Movement on front 25m (alternating arms & legs and/or simultaneous arms and legs) Movement on back 15m (alternating arms & legs and/or simultaneous arms and legs) 	Swim 50m continuously: • 25m front crawl, and 25m backstroke • Swim 25m Breaststroke and 25m Survival Backstroke (performed in Sequence in 3A)	Swim 100m continuously: • 25m Front Crawl • 25m Backstroke • 25m Breaststroke • 25m Survival Backstroke	Swim: 50m Front Crawl (within 1:30 min) 50m Breaststroke (within 1:50 min) 50m Backstroke (within 1:40 min) 25m Survival Backstroke 25m Sidestroke Dolphin kick 10m on front	Swim: • 100m Front Crawl (within 3:00 min) • 100m Breaststroke (within 4:00 min) • 100 m Backstroke (within 3:20 min) • 50m Survival Backstroke • 50m Sidestroke • 15m Butterfly
Survival & Activity Skills	Signal distress Grasp a flotation aid and float for 10 sec Move to the pool's edge (with the float) and Exit safely from water Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: Correctly fit a PFD, jump into the water, float for 30 seconds and then climb out of deep water	Scull, float or tread for 30 sec Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: Swim 15m using any survival stroke Swim to pool edge and climb out Put on an appropriately sized PFD and jump into the water (at least 1.4m deep), swim 25m with PFD, then climb out of the water	Scull, float or tread water for 50 sec Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: Swim 25m using survival backstroke or survival breaststroke to a PFD Correctly fit a PFD in water, swim 50m with PFD, then climb out of the water	 Scull, float or tread water for 2 min Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: 3 min swimming slowly using survival backstroke, sidestroke and survival breaststroke, changing every 15m Wave and call for help Retrieve a flotation aid thrown by a 'rescuer' (2m away) and kick to the side 	Dressed in swimwear, long pants and t-shirt demonstrate the following sequence: • Enter deep water using a straddle jump • Perform a backward somersault • Submerge using feet first surface dive, • Swim through hoops on pool bottom for 3m and resurface • Swim 45m quickly using front crawl	Dressed in swimwear, long pants, t-shirt, perform the following sequence: • Enter deep water using a compact jump • Perform a headfirst surface dive to a depth of at least 1.8m (and perform ear equalisation, if necessary) • Swim through hoops on pool bottom for 5m and resurface • Swim 45m quickly using front crawl • Then, swim slowly for a further 50m



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				of the pool and exit.	Wave and call for help (rescuer to throw PFD) Retrieve a PFD in water and fit it while treading water Demonstrate Heat Escape Lessening Posture (H.E.L.P.) technique for 30 sec Then swim 25m with PFD and climb out of the water	using any preferred survival swim stroke Remove pants in deep water and make a float with it while treading water within 5 min Demonstrate Heat Escape Lessening Posture (H.E.L.P.) technique with the self-made float for 1 min Then swim 25m with the self-made float and climb out of the water
Rescue	Nil	Nil	Nil	Throw a flotation aid to a partner 2m away and instruct the partner to kick to the edge	Throw a PFD to a partner 3m away and instruct the partner to kick to the edge	Nil
Knowledge	 Principles of Personal Safety and Survival Environmental Awareness Health Awareness Emergency Situations and Survival Techniques Rescues 					



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	Swim:	Swim: Swim 25m on front(alternating arms and legs or simultaneous arms and legs) Swim on the back 15m (alternating arms and legs or simultaneous arms and legs)	Swim: • 50m continuously (25m front crawl, and 25m backstroke)	Swim 100m (4 strokes) continuously: • 25m front crawl • 25m backstroke • 25m breaststroke • 25m survival backstroke	Swim (use crouching dive entry for FR, BR): 50m front crawl (within 1:30 min) 50m breaststroke (within 1:50 min) 50m backstroke (within 1:40 min) 25m sidestroke 25m survival backstroke Dolphin kick 10m on front	Swim (use standing dive for FR, BR): 100m front crawl (within 3:00 min) 100m breaststroke (within 4:00 min) 100 m backstroke (within 3:20 min) 50m survival backstroke 50m sidestroke 15m butterfly
Assessment	Sequence 1A (w/o goggles) Enter the water with slide-in entry Swim on the back 5m (alternating arms and legs or simultaneous arms and legs) Submerge head in water, open eyes, blow bubbles and identify object on pool floor Perform a front float for 5 seconds and recover Then perform a back float for 5	Sequence 2A (w/o goggles) Enter the water with step-in entry Front float for 10 secs, Swim 5m on front, rollover Perform back float for 10 sec Swim 5m on back, Scull, float or tread water for 30sec Recover an object (in chest deep water) Resurface and exit safely from pool	Sequence 3A (w/o goggles) Enter the water with stride/straddle entry (in deep water) Swim 25m survival backstroke then, 25m breaststroke Scull head-first on the back for 5m and recover Scull, float or tread for 50 sec Swim through hoops on pool bottom for 2m	Sequence 4A (w/o goggles) Enter the water using a compact jump (in deep water), resurface, perform a forward somersault Tread water for 2 min In 1.4m deep water, perform feet-first surface dive, Swim through hoops on pool bottom for 2m, Resurface and exit safely from pool	Silver Sequence (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, long pants and t-shirt demonstrate the following sequence: • Enter deep water using a straddle jump • Perform a backward somersault • Submerge using feet first surface dive, • Swim through hoops on pool	Gold Sequence (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, long pants, t-shirt, perform the following sequence: • Enter deep water using a compact jump • Perform a head-first surface dive to a depth of at least 1.8m (and perform ear equalisation, if necessary) • Swim through hoops on pool



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seconds and recover Swim 10m on the front (alternating arms and legs or simultaneous arm and legs) Signal distress an call for help Grasp a float and float for 10 seconds Then move (with the float) to the pool's edge and Exit safely from pool Sequence 1B (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt, Correctly fit a PFI jump into water Float for 30 seconds, and the climb out of the water	Sequence 2B (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: • Swim 15m using any survival stroke and exit safely from water • Correctly fit a PFD and jump into the water (at least 1.4m deep), • Swim 25m with PFD and climb out of the water	 Resurface and exit safely from pool Sequence 3B (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: Swim 25m using survival backstroke or survival breaststroke to a PFD (face clear of water) Correctly fit a PFD in water, swim 50m with PFD, then climb out of the water 	Sequence 4B (w/o goggles) Dressed in swimwear, shorts and t-shirt demonstrate: • 3 min swimming slowly using survival backstroke, sidestroke and survival breaststroke changing every 15m • Wave and call for help (rescuer to throw floatation aid) • Swim to a flotation aid and kick to pool's edge, then climb out of water	bottom for 3m and resurface Swim 45m quickly using front crawl Wave and call for help (rescuer to throw PFD) Retrieve a PFD in water and fit it while treading water Demonstrate Heat Escape Lessening Posture (H.E.L.P.) technique for 30 sec Then swim 25m with PFD and climb out of the water	bottom for 5m and resurface Swim 45m quickly using front crawl Then, swim slowly for a further 50m using any preferred survival swim stroke Then, remove pants in deep water and make a float with it while treading water within 5 min Demonstrate Heat Escape Lessening Posture (H.E.L.P.) technique with the self-made float for 1 min Then swim 25m with the self-made float and climb out of the water