



## New Program Guide now available

The 2021 edition of the Lifesaving Society *Program Guide* provides the most up-to-date information on the Society's programs and services.

The newest edition identifies certifications that can be delivered virtually and includes updated policies and definitions; Bronze medal award descriptions; updated prerequisites (including the ever-popular *Prerequisites-at-a-glance* located on the inside back cover), and more.

Download your free copy of the *Program Guide* from our [website](#) or purchase a hard copy from our office.

## Sport is back

Following an 18-month lifesaving sport recess, the Society is thrilled to congratulate Parlee Beach Provincial Park and the Parlee Beach Lifesaving Club – hosts and Champions of the 2021 New Brunswick Waterfront Lifesaving Championships. Thank you to the 51 athletes, coaches and officials from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and PEI who came together and made the Championships a success.

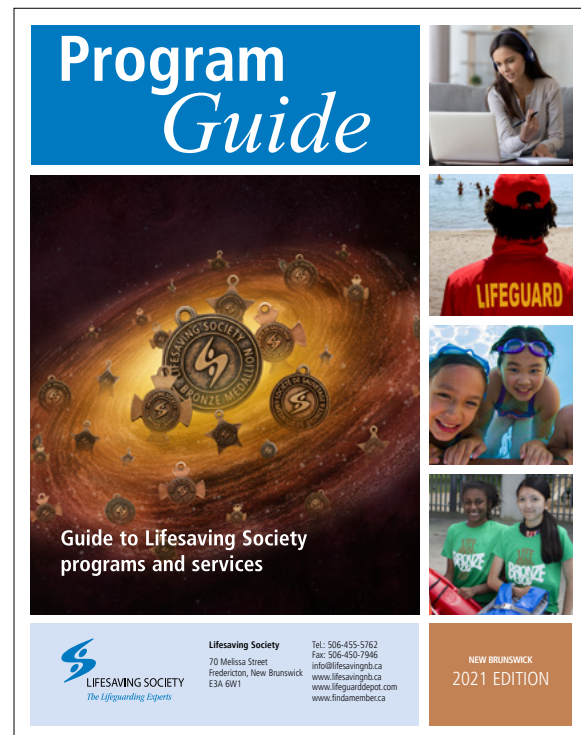
## Bronze Update Clinic – last call!

Affiliates must implement the new Bronze medal awards by June 2022. If you intend to teach the Society's revised Bronze medal awards, you must attend an Explore Bronze Update clinic. The Clinic has no fee and is worth three credits towards your leadership recertification.

Contact your local aquatic facility or:

1. [Email the Lifesaving Society](#) to be added to the wait list for the next online Explore Bronze Update Clinic.
2. Read [What's New for Instructors](#).
3. Order the new [Bronze Medals Award Guide](#).

If you have questions or need more information about the Explore Bronze Update Clinic, contact the Society's Training Programs Manager, [Grégoire Cormier](#).



The Lifesaving Society acknowledges and thanks the Government of New Brunswick for its ongoing support of our drowning prevention mission.

# Ace your back-to-pool test sheets

As you prepare for fall courses, take a moment to make sure you've crossed your t's and dotted your i's. Even little mistakes can slow the processing of test sheets. Follow our checklist below to ace your next test sheet submission.

Before the course:

- **Check instructor currency** – Double check the award currency of your Instructors, Examiners and Trainers. If someone needs to recertify, [here's the process](#).
- **Get updated** – Attend an Explore Bronze Update Clinic before teaching the Society's revised Bronze medal awards. [Read what's new for affiliates](#).
- **Check prerequisites** – Use [Find a Member](#) to check candidate prerequisites on the first day of the course. Awards can't be processed without the required prerequisites.

After the course:

- **Use the correct form** – Visit [Find a Form](#) to make sure you have the correct test sheet for the course you're teaching! Our revised Bronze medal awards come with new sheets.
- **Complete all information** – Fill out every page of every test sheet completely – even when information is duplicated, like signatures. Missing or incomplete information slows processing. Pay particular attention to:
  - » **Date of birth** – Allows us to check age prerequisites and is a secondary search mechanism in our database.
  - » **Candidate contact information** – Ensures candidates receive their certification card in the mail. Phone and email contacts let us follow up if their mail is returned.
  - » **Lifesaving Society ID#** – Allows us to find the right "John Smith" on your course, instead of the other 25 "John Smiths" in our system.

- **Submit your test sheet** – Send us your test sheet after the course. We process test sheets based on received date. The sooner you send them in, the sooner we send out the awards to candidates. Don't let them pile up.
- **Use fillable forms** – Head to [Find a Form](#) on our website to download fillable test sheets. Handwritten, scanned or faxed test sheet are hard to read.

Missing an ID number? Can't find the form you need? Call or [email Ryan Munn](#) and he'll solve your problem.



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## World Drowning Prevention Day

In April, the United Nations declared July 25 World Drowning Prevention Day as part of its historic [Resolution on Drowning Prevention](#). To mark the inaugural event, the Lifesaving Society partnered with Parlee Beach Provincial Park and the Parlee Beach Lifesaving Club to provide free Swim to Survive lessons to kids at the beach.

Thank you to volunteers: Marcel Bourgeois, Hanane Hammioui, Gabrielle Léger, Catherine Laplante, Christine Ryan and Ethan Toner who spent the day teaching children how to survive an unexpected fall into deep water.

## Canada to host 2023 Commonwealth Championships

Canada will host the 2023 RLSS Commonwealth Lifesaving Championships September 13 through 17 at the Windsor International Aquatic and Training Centre in Windsor, Ontario. Spectators – mark the date on your calendars!