

# Waterpark Option

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- Prerequisites:**
1. 16 years old by last day of course
  2. NLS (current within 2 years) by first day of course
  3. CPR 'C' (current within one year) by last day of course

**Course Description:** Waterpark Option is a 24 hour lifeguarding course developed by the Lifesaving Society of Canada. Waterpark is designed to prepare the candidate to lifeguard a large facility and specific water park features. The course builds upon knowledge and skills from NLS, and will focus on the further development of communication skills and specialized rescues.

- Course Evaluation:**
1. One failed item or two weak items constitutes a fail
  2. Failed candidates must complete full course (ie. it is not possible to challenge the Waterpark Option)

Candidates are evaluated continuously throughout the course on written work. There will be quizzes, assignments and an exam upon which candidates must achieve at least 70%. There is a physical standard that students must pass before the end of the course. Skills and judgement will be evaluated continuously throughout the course, and must attain NLS standard by the end of the course. It is expected that candidates have a good grasp of the concepts in NLS, and CPR 'C' at the start of the course. Candidates will need to spend time in preparation, and practice throughout the course.

**What to Bring:** The 'Alert' manual (same as NLS) is a required text for this course and it can be purchased at the front desk. A manual of course information will be given out near the beginning of the course as well. Candidates **must** bring their **NLS and CPR** cards on the second day of the course. Students also will need a swimsuit, whistle, paper, pen and a binder or doug bag. Students have the option of purchasing a "Lifeguard Tool Kit" from the Lifesaving Society.

**Attendance:** 100% attendance is strongly recommended, and making up missed work is the responsibility of the student. If missing a class is unavoidable, the instructor must be contacted ahead of time, and the candidate is responsible for the work missed.

**Recertification:** Once obtained, the Waterpark option is current for 2 years. In order to recertify, candidates must take a recert course within 5 years. Candidates who have not recertified the option within 5 years must re-take the complete course. Candidates will need a current NLS and CPR 'C' in order to recertify.

**Complaints:** If there are any serious concerns about how the course is taught or evaluated, talk to the instructor first, then contact the Lifesaving Society at 604-299-5450 for information on how to proceed.

## Welcome to Waterpark!