



Request for Sweep Level Upgrade – Level 4 & 5

Submissions are to be sent by email to Sweep Coordinator and CC admin@dbwa.net.au

To be considered for a DBWA Sweep Level Upgrade, please review the current Level 4 (L4) or Level 5 (L5) requirements (and details outlined below) **before** continuing the submission.

Club officials are to complete the submission (on behalf of the nominated sweep) for review and consideration by the DBWA Sweep Coordinator and DBWA Committee, providing support information if required.

Name of Nominated Sweep.	
Upgrade Level being applied for.	
Nominee’s Club.	
Date received L3 Accreditation.	
Date received L4 Accreditation. <i>If applying for L5 Sweep Level Upgrade</i>	
Name of Club Representative submitting request.	
Committee Position of Club Representative.	
Signature of Club Representative.	
Has the Club Committee discussed & agreed to nominate the individual for upgrade?	
Copy of Sweep Log Book and/or other support information provided? (to be included with this form)	

LEVEL 4 (L4) – ADVANCED ACCREDITATION (Recognition of Sweep Experience)

Awarded to Level 3 Sweeps at the discretion of the DBWA Sweep Coordinator and DBWA Committee

Review Classification Requirements (Criteria Check), verify the nominee meets the L4 requirements and provide information to corroborate the following Requirements / Criteria / Questions.

CRITERIA CHECK	LEVEL 4 (L4) REQUIREMENTS <i>Enter responses and information in space(s) below each requirement.</i>	NOTES Y / N / TBC
L4 classification may be awarded to Level 3 (L3) Sweeps who:		
2.10c	i. Have completed a minimum of three (3) calendar years as a L3 sweep.	
	ii. Have shown consistent and continual development as a sweep during the initial accreditation period.	
	iii. Are known to regularly sweep at races (as verified by Sweep Activity Records).	
	iv. Sweep Activity Records should support a ‘Not at fault’ Incident Free Racing record for the previous three seasons.	



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	v. Have demonstrated local knowledge – e.g. alpine waters, currents, local maritime signage.	
	vi. Have demonstrated confident boat manoeuvring and crew management in difficult weather conditions.	
	vii. Have demonstrated advanced ability in race environments in a variety of locations and water / weather conditions.	
	viii. Have demonstrated the ability to steer various styles of boat and are familiar with various sweep rigging systems (e.g. rowlock, pin, U-bolt).	
	ix. Have mentored at least two new sweeps to L2 accreditation.	
	x. Have swept without incident a minimum of 2 races at each of two regattas.	
	xi. Have swept a minimum of four (4) 10s crews in 20s boats in regattas without incident. Though an L3 sweep may steer a 10s crew in a 20s boat multiple times at an event, a maximum of two (2) races steered at any one regatta will be counted towards L4 advancement.	
	xii. Have swept a minimum of two (2) 2000 m turn races at regattas without incident.	
	xiii. Successfully complete a practical test by Sweep Coordinator approved by DBWA, steering a small (10s) dragon boat (with a minimum of 8 paddlers) safely demonstrating the following skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensuring the dragon boat is balanced • using the standard set of calls • performing a figure 8 manoeuvre • pivoting the boat both clockwise and anticlockwise • reversing the dragon boat safely not less than 50 metres • reversing the dragon boat into a start pontoon and setting up for a race start • maintaining the dragon boat on a start line with moving water for at least 30 seconds • steering a straight line for not less than 200 metres under simulated race conditions • safely and effectively stopping the dragon boat quickly (i.e. an emergency stop) 	
L4 Notes and other considerations:		
2.10d	A current State boat licence is NOT required.	
2.10e	L3 sweeps working towards L4 accreditation should maintain a logbook of their hours, including races, sweep workshops and other sweep-related activities, to support their application.	



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LEVEL 5 (L5) – SWEEP MASTER (MENTOR)

Awarded to Level 4 Sweeps at the discretion of the DBWA Sweep Coordinator and DBWA Committee

Review Classification Requirements (Criteria Check), verify the nominee meets the L5 requirements and provide information to corroborate the following Requirements / Criteria / Questions.

CRITERIA CHECK	LEVEL 5 (L5) REQUIREMENTS <i>Enter responses and information in space(s) below each requirement.</i>	NOTES Y / N / TBC
L5 classification may be awarded to Level 4 (L4) Sweeps who:		
2.11c	i. Have completed a minimum of three (3) calendar years as an Advanced L4 Sweep	
	ii. Continue to meet the requirements for accreditation as an Advanced L4 Sweep	
	iii. Maintained the abilities that led them to being granted L4 accreditation	
	iv. Are known to regularly sweep at races (as verified by Sweep Activity Records)	
	v. Sweep Activity Records should support a 'Not at fault' Incident Free Racing record for the previous three seasons	
	vi. Actively mentored trainee sweeps to achieve L2 accreditation both within their own club and other clubs on a regular basis	
	vii. Have contributed to the development of the sport and sweeping over many years (minimum 2). For example, running sweep workshops, sharing new information and techniques with other sweeps, assisting a new Club that is without an accredited L3 or L2 Unsupervised sweep.	
	viii. Be widely known among the dragon boating community by name and reputation as an advanced level sweep both within their state and nationally.	
	ix. Volunteering at DBWA Sanctioned events as a sweep and/or sweep coordinator and/or assisting DBWA, or an AusDBF State Member, in some other way would demonstrate community involvement and be taken into consideration	
	x. Have been involved in Club & State, mentoring and training.	
	xi. Have steered AusDBF and State Member Representative Crews (at State, National and/or International regattas) on several occasions (minimum 3	
L5 Notes and other considerations:		
	xii. International representative race experience and/or steering a club crew at overseas races may be considered though it does not automatically qualify a sweep for L5 status.	
	xiii. A current State boat licence is NOT required	
	xiv. L4 sweeps working towards L5 accreditation should maintain a logbook of their hours, including races, sweep workshops and other sweep-related activities, to support their application	



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