

## INVITATION TO APTITUDE TEST FOR LIFEGUARDS AND PERSONS QUALIFIED FOR WATER RESCUE IN THE SEASON 2019

Pursuant to Article 9 of the Rules on water rescue personnel (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 103/11), the Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief hereby publishes the invitation to aptitude tests under the following training programmes:

- Lifeguards for pool bathing areas A programme, A1 and A2 modules
- Lifeguards for natural bathing areas B programme
- Lifeguards (rescuers) for whitewater C programme
- Persons renting vessels at sea, rivers, lakes and other waters D programme

The following information outlines details about the date, registration, costs and other requirements related to the aptitude test for *lifeguards* and *persons qualified for water rescue*.

Registration forms with the attached proof of eligibility should be sent to Uprava Republike Slovenije za zaščito in reševanje /in English: Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief/, Vojkova cesta 61, 1000 Ljubljana or e-mail address: [urszr@urszr.si](mailto:urszr@urszr.si).

### APTITUDE TESTS FOR LIFEGUARDS (RESCUERS) AND PERSONS QUALIFIED FOR WATER RESCUE

The candidates will take the aptitude test according to the selected programme upon completion of training conducted by authorized training organizers. **Training is mandatory.** Lifeguards (rescuers) for whitewater under C programme will receive training at ZVU - Zavod za varstvo pred utopitvami/in English: Drowning prevention institute /, contact:

<https://www.voda-resevanje.si/>,

[urban.herzog@voda-resevanje.si](mailto:urban.herzog@voda-resevanje.si)

Lifeguard training under A, B and C programmes is open to persons who:

- have reached the age of majority,
- have minimum secondary vocational education,
- possess certificate of required medical examination (issued by specialist in occupational, traffic and sports medicine),
- possess certificate of swimming and swimming ability test (performed by authorized providers prior to training commencement),
- possess certificate of first aid test (performed by Slovenian Red Cross).

Water rescue training under D programme is open to persons who:

- have reached the age of majority,
- possess certificate of medical examination (general work ability),
- possess certificate of swimming and swimming ability test (performed by authorized providers prior to training commencement),
- possess certificate of first aid test (performed by Slovenian Red Cross).

### Registration procedure

The registration form including supporting documents should be sent to Uprava RS za zaščito in reševanje /in English: Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief/, Vojkova cesta 61, 1000 Ljubljana, or e-mail address: [urszr@urszr.si](mailto:urszr@urszr.si).

Candidates must also attach:

- photo (35 mm x 45 mm) for identification documents,
- medical examiner's certificate.

### Aptitude test procedure

The aptitude test consists of a theoretical and practical part. The test is completed if the candidate is successful in both parts. In theoretical part, the candidate must achieve 70 percent of points, whereas in the practical part all prescribed tasks must be accomplished correctly. No more than two prescribed tasks can be repeated immediately upon completion of the practical part. If the candidate fails in the repetition, he must re-take the entire practical part, normally after three months. If the candidate fails for the second time, he can re-apply for the aptitude test after one year and must complete the training beforehand.

Candidates disagreeing with the grade given by the board may file an objection immediately after the announcement of the grade which is to be entered in the minutes. The justification of the objection will be decided by the Administration's Director General upon consultation with the board. Should the objection be deemed justified, the candidate may re-take the aptitude test at the next scheduled date. The board's decision taken after re-taking the test does not preclude the appeal.

If a candidate is unreasonably absent from the test he has registered for or withdraws during the test it is deemed that the candidate has failed. In this case test costs will not be refunded.

Candidates who have successfully completed the aptitude test under the selected programme and met other conditions will be issued the Lifeguard (rescuer) Identity Card or Certificate of Qualification by the Administration.

#### **APTITUDE TEST RENEWAL (LICENCE)**

Lifeguards (rescuers) are required to renew their qualification every three years under A, B and C programmes. Persons qualified for water rescue must renew their qualification under D programme every five years. The aptitude test involves only the practical part (see Aptitude test procedure). Before the test, it is necessary to have the required medical examination and the first aid test.

**The registration form must be furnished with the medical examination certificate.**

#### **COSTS AND METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR APTITUDE TEST AND APTITUDE TEST RENEWAL (LICENCE)**

|                                       | A1 and A2 | B      | C     | difference B-A* | D     |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|--------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Theoretical and practical part        | 90.00     | 110.00 | 80.00 | 80.00           | 60.00 |
| Theoretical part only                 | 20.00     | 20.00  | 15.00 | 10.00           | 10.00 |
| Practical part only (licence renewal) | 80.00     | 100.00 | 70.00 | 70.00           | 45.00 |

\*If a candidate has already taken the aptitude test under A programme and would also like to attend training under B programme, the difference between the programmes must be completed in the same season.

The amounts are in EUR and include 22 % VAT.

The aptitude test costs shall be paid to the transaction account of the organizer:

Uprava Republike Slovenije za zaščito in reševanje

Vojkova cesta 61, 1000 Ljubljana

IBAN: SI 56 0110 0637 0191 114, mandatory reference number SI 11 19127 7130066

BIC of recipient bank: BSLJSI2X.

The Administration may cancel, postpone or determine an extra date for the aptitude test. The registered candidates will be duly informed, usually no later than five days prior to the planned date.