



### Rescue Water Craft Operator

The Rescue Water Craft (RWC) is a Personal Water Craft operated by experienced Lifeguards from throughout the Region.

The RWC Team mission statement is:

"To provide operational support to existing patrols and patrolling/emergency response to non-patrolled areas"

RWC patrols are carried out currently in five areas of the Northern Region:

**Support 1** based at United North Piha covers most of Auckland's West Coast

**Support 2** based at Ruakaka covers Northland's Bream Bay area

**Support 3** covers the Omaha area

**Support 4** covers the Orewa area

**Support 5** based at the Auckland Marine Rescue Centre covers Auckland's East Coast Bays area.

The service duration varies per vessel. All RWC's are operational for weekends and public holidays over the peak of the summer period. The RWC's are operated by a mixture of Paid and Volunteer Operators.

All Lifeguards applying to be on the team must have a very good level of fitness and be dedicated to fill the roster for no less than five shifts per summer.

### **Prerequisites:**

Financial member of a Club

18 years old

Surf Lifeguard Award (refreshed)

First aid level one & two

IRB Drivers Award

Swim 400m under 7min 15sec

Run 3km under 20min

Motor vehicle license

Two years patrolling experience

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