

# Northern Lights Palace Pool



The Lifesaving Society is excited to announce that, as of August 1st under the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education Dual Credit Initiative, the Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard will be recognized for credit towards Grade 12 in Saskatchewan. This program recognizes the 100+ hours of education and training for Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard, starting at Bronze Medallion. This acknowledges the work and dedication of those who strive to step onto the pool deck to protect the lives of others and the beginning of their aquatic careers.

Individuals receiving their original Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard certification on or after August 1st, 2016 are eligible to receive the Lifeguard 30L credit. This applies to original courses only (not recerts) and applies to any of the National Lifeguard options (Pool, Waterfront, and Waterpark). There is no paperwork to fill out nor any plans to be pre-approved prior to taking your National Lifeguard.

Anyone who is working towards their Grade 12 requirements in Saskatchewan is able to use the Lifeguard 30L program including:

- 30L High School students earning credit towards graduation while working towards their first career.
- Returning students to complete their Grade 12 requirements; earning credit towards graduation while becoming certified to begin a new career.
- Students new to Canada earning credit towards Grade 12 while starting a new career in their new country.

## Steps to Receiving Credit for Lifeguard

1. Ensure you have all of the prerequisites for Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard (16 years of age, Lifesaving Society Bronze Cross, and Standard First Aid & CPR C).
2. Enroll and take Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard (Pool, Waterpark, or Waterfront).
3. Pass your original National Lifeguard course.
4. Take your new National Lifeguard certification card to your school and request credit for Lifeguard 30L.
5. Celebrate you are one credit closer to graduating

(See back for more information)

FAQ's

Q: I am already working on my High School Special Credit Workbook, can I continue?

A: No, the special credit workbook will no longer be recognised after July 31, 2016. Passing your original National Lifeguard after August 1st, 2016 will give you the High School credit you have been working towards in Saskatchewan.

Q: I have already passed my National Lifeguard Pool Option, can I still receive credit?

A: No only those original National Lifeguard candidates examined on or after August 1, 2016 may receive this credit. But, if you take the National Lifeguard Waterpark option or National Lifeguard Waterfront option after August 1st, 2016 you can receive this credit for one of these two original courses while expanding your lifeguarding skills.

Q: If I take my original National Lifeguard Pool, Waterpark, and Waterfront options, can I receive three credits?

A: You may only receive one credit for any original National Lifeguard course earned after August 1st, 2016.

Q: I just moved here from another Canadian province or territory, do I have to start at Bronze Medallion again?

A: No, you only need to take your Lifesaving Society National Lifeguard in Saskatchewan. Bronze Medallion and Bronze Cross are national programs in Canada and, therefore, are recognised as equal in Saskatchewan.

Q: So if I understand this correctly, if I pass my National Lifeguard in Saskatchewan after August 1st, 2016, all I need to do is take my original National Lifeguard certification card to my school and I get a credit towards graduation. Are you serious?

A: Yes, that is exactly what you do.

Q: That seems too easy, there must be something else I am missing. What are you not telling me?

A: It is that easy. The Lifesaving Society Saskatchewan Branch and the Ministry of Education worked very hard to make sure it was just that easy. Now head over to the Upcoming Courses page and sign up for your National Lifeguard.

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