

BRONZE CHALLENGE

The Lifeguarding Experts

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The Bronze programs, unlike other Lifesaving Society programs, are awards rather than certifications and allow the opportunity to be challenged/examined providing all program items are evaluated and all requirements for the specific award level are met.

A candidate may request a Bronze level exam/challenge for many reasons, including but not limited to:

They hold equivalent training (e.g. Canadian Coast Guard)

- They hold a lifesaving or lifeguarding certification from another country
- They were previously unsuccessful in a Bronze course and want to re-examine
- They require a current Bronze award for employment

If an Instructor or Affiliate chooses to offer a Bronze challenge exam, specific requirements must be met:

- ✓ The candidate meets all the required prerequisites
- ✓ The exam is evaluated by a current Lifesaving Instructor (LSI)
- √ The exam includes an evaluation of all test items on the test sheet (the exam should take no less than 2 hours to evaluate all test items for a single candidate)
- ✓ The required equipment is provided as identified in the Lifesaving Program Policies At-A-Glance
- ✓ If the challenge has less than 3 candidates in it, two helpers will be required; one to act as a bystander/second rescuer and a second to act as a victim (all helpers must be Bronze Medallion level or higher and LS codes written on the program policy exception form).
- ✓ If a candidate is being tested within a full course:
 - The total number of candidates cannot exceed 12:1
 - o The challenge/exam candidates do not affect the full course learning environment
 - Two test sheets must be submitted identifying the recertification/challenge from the full course