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SAHGCA POLICY ON ISSUING ENDORSEMENTS FOR ALL FIREARM LICENSE APPLICATIONS

SAHGCA will issue endorsements and/or letters to confirm the purpose of firearms in support of licence applications to paid-up members of the Association under the following categories (Endorsement applications must be submitted on the prescribed application form and must be signed personally by the applicant):

HANDGUN HUNTING

- All revolvers, except for .22-rimfire calibre, if allowed in terms of the relevant provincial regulations or legislation, which may vary from province to province.
- .22-rimfire handguns: endorsements will only be issued to landowners or immediate family members of landowners
- All pistols, provided that the applicant is a landowner or immediate family member of a landowner
- If a handgun is used for a coup de grace when hunting, SAHGCA will use its discretion based on the motivation provided by the applicant.

.22 RIMFIRE RIFLES AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC RIFLES FOR HUNTING PURPOSES

- Endorsements for these firearms will be issued for hunting purposes to landowners and their immediate family members only.
- Applicants that are not landowners or immediate family members of landowners, who use the firearm for vermin control or culling can submit a motivation with their application for consideration by SAHGCA.
- A letter of support will be issued to members who use rimfire rifles to develop and maintain their hunting and sportshooting skills outside the hunting season.

DEDICATED SPORT-SHOOTER (Section 16)

- Endorsements for sportshooting purposes are issued for appropriate firearms used during:
 - SAHGCA shooting days
 - shooting days of any other accredited organisation
 - shooting days of any organised shooting club

OCCASIONAL SPORT-SHOOTER (Section 15)

- Endorsements for occasional sportshooting events are issued for firearms used for:
 - dedicated sportshooting (see above)
 - **No endorsements are issued for self-loading centrefire rifles or shotguns used in occasional sportshooting events**

DEDICATED HUNTER (Section 16)

- Endorsement for all types of centrefire rifles or handguns
- For semi-automatic firearms, (rifles, shotguns and pistols) applicants must provide proof of land ownership or must be an immediate family member of a landowner.

PROFESSIONAL HUNTER (Section 16A)

- Endorsement for all types of centrefire rifles or handguns
- For semi-automatic firearms, (rifles, shotguns and pistols) applicants must provide proof of land ownership or must be an immediate family member of a landowner.

OCCASIONAL HUNTER (Section 15)

- Endorsement of all types of suitable centrefire hunting firearms.

SELF DEFENCE (Section 13)

- Endorsement for self-defence firearms will be issued to all firearms according to Section 13 of Act 60 of 2000.

IMPORTANT

- Endorsements will only be issued to paid-up SAHGCA members (membership must be paid in full)
- Members who hold dedicated status must have submitted annual dedicated activity reports before an endorsement under the relevant status can be issued.
- Professional Hunters must meet the set requirements (Paid up membership plus a valid hunting license in at least one Province of RSA or African Country)
- Under to Section 15 (c) of the Firearms Control Act, no person may be in possession of more than two handguns.
- Only .22LR, .22SR and .22 Magnum will be endorsed for rim fire sportshooting disciplines.
- **Endorsements refer only to the suitability of a firearm for hunting or sportshooting and do not replace the personal motivation that every member should prepare for his/her firearm.**

Please note that it is the firearm owner's responsibility to comply with the relevant provincial hunting ordinance and regulations or legislation.

SAHGCA reserves the right to change the abovementioned policy at any stage or to refuse a request for endorsement if the issuing of such endorsement is potentially detrimental to the accreditation status of the Association.

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APPLICATION FOR ENDORSEMENT

PERSONAL INFORMATION OF APPLICANT			
Title, initials, surname			
SAHGCA member no			
ID number			
Cell Number			
Email Address			
Landowner or immediate family member of landowner	Yes	No	If yes, provide proof

TYPE OF LICENSE APPLICATION	ENDORSEMENT TYPE	
SECTION 13 – Self-Defence	Self-Defence	1
SECTION 15 – Occasional Hunting and Sportshooting	Occasional Hunting	2
	Occasional Sportshooting	3
SECTION 16 – Dedicated Hunting and Sportshooting	Dedicated Hunting	4
	Dedicated Sportshooting	5
SECTION 16A – Professional Hunting	Professional Hunting	6

PARTICULARS REGARDING FIREARMS APPLIED FOR					
Caliber	Manufacturer	Type of firearm	Action	Serial Number	Endorsement Type
		Revolver, Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun	Semi-automatic, Bolt, Lever, Pump, etc.		

IMPORTANT: An endorsement only refers to the suitability of a firearm for hunting/sport shooting/self-defence and does not replace the personal motivation that each member should submit when applying for his/her firearm licence. (Please note that is the applicant's responsibility to comply with the relevant regulations)

"I am aware that it is an offence in terms of Section 120(9) (f) of the Firearms Control Act, (Act No 60 of 2000), to make a false statement in this application for endorsement".

I hereby declare that the information provided above by myself is true and correct

Full name and Surname: _____ Date: _____ Signature of Applicant _____

SAHGCA reserves the right to process only endorsements applied for personally by members and not those applied for by third parties. The endorsement will be issued to the member personally.

Applicants will be informed by SMS as soon as the endorsements are available on the online member administration system for downloading