

NOTICE TO ALL CLUBS HOSTING SHOWS

The requirements of the National State of Disaster Regulations and Directives governing the National State of Disaster warranted the need for health and safety precautions to be taken into account when hosting events.

Any event regardless of its magnitude or length is prone to risks. Compliance pertinent to the planning of events is essential as enshrined in the "Safety at Sports and Recreational Events Act No.2 of 2010" that governs the Joint Operations Committee (JOC) in conjunction of by-laws of a specific area.

The purpose of the Act is to provide measures to safeguard the physical wellbeing and safety of people and property at events held at venues. Therefore, the organisers of any event are fundamentally responsible for mitigating risks associated with any planned events.

In light of the above, it is crucial for all Show Managers and Show Committees involved in the planning of Shows to comply with requirements and procedures as set out in this Directive.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HOSTING, ATTENDING AND APPLICATION OF DISINFECTANT AT ALL BSSA SHOWS

1. Depending on the Lockdown level on the date of the show, gatherings will be permitted, as long as the number of people does not exceed 50% of the normal capacity of a venue. As per the Government gazette, Vol 633, No. 43725 on 18 September 2020.
2. Facility owners should clearly display the venue's capacity / certificate of occupancy, which sets out the maximum number of persons the facility may hold.
3. **Club hosting the Show must ensure:**
 - 3.1. Hosting clubs must submit two show dates six (6) weeks apart. This is so that an alternative date is planned in case the pandemic forces changes to be made to the show schedule. Clubs hosting shows should make an alternative hall booking.
 - 3.2. Cage labels to be couriered to all exhibitors. This will ease the congestion during benching and make the flow of the benching process more convenient for exhibitors and the show management team.
 - 3.3. Sanitizing products are requested from BSSA as BSSA will supply the necessary products to the hosting club.
 - 3.4. There is a Sanitized carpet at the entrances to venue.
 - 3.5. A Register at the entrances to the venue to capture Name, Surname, Contact number and Temperature.
 - 3.6. Sanitizer is available at all entrances to venue. It is therefore recommended that only one entrance to the venue is available. It is advised that a security officer attend to all people entering the venue.
 - 3.7. That both hands of anyone entering the venue is sprayed with Virokill or disinfectant approved by BSSA every time they enter the venue.
 - 3.8. All show cages entering any part of the venue must be sprayed. The Management Committee does not recommend the spraying of birds by anybody but the exhibitor him or herself, as the uncontrolled spraying of birds may lead to controversy.
 - 3.9. That No facility is made available for de-spotting and preparing of birds. If space is provided for members to sort out birds, it should only be used by one member at a time.
 - 3.10. A clear roster for the Benching and De- Benching of birds with allocated time slots to avoid overcrowding of venue. Different space provided for benching of sections if space permit.
 - 3.10.1. Benching/De-Benching: Champions from Time: _____ till _____
 - 3.10.2. Benching/De-Benching: Intermediates from Time: _____ till _____
 - 3.10.3. Benching/De-Benching: Novice from Time: _____ till _____
 - 3.11. No spectators are allowed in the venue during Judging and that only appointed Judge's, Stewards and officials are allowed in the venue.
 - 3.12. Judge's, officials and Stewards wear face masks at ALL times during judging and while in the venue.
 - 3.13. All officials must wear a name tag with their official capacity. Stewards must be pre-selected before the show.
 - 3.14. That hand sanitizer is available on judging stand for Judges and Stewards.
 - 3.15. Judges to wipe judging sticks or any other objects used to assist birds in perching when moving from cage to cage. This can be done either by means of a wipe or a tube type container with disinfectant. In the latter case it is advised for judges to have more than one judging stick to allow for the one that is sprayed to dry before re-use.
 - 3.16. Spraying of both hands with Virokill or disinfectant approved by BSSA before handling of any birds for whatever reason. Disinfectant to be used after each bird is handled. This applies to approved photographers and show officials checking rings.
 - 3.17. No eating and drinking is allowed in venue. A tea break will be allocated for Judges, Officials and Stewards.
 - 3.18. Those visitors and or Club members not complying with Covid regulations are addressed and birds entered disqualified if required.
 - 3.19. Any food for distribution to attendees or for sale is pre-packed and sealed.

3.20. All drinks for attendees or for sale needs to be sealed Cans or Bottles.

4. Every person, when attending a Show, and in order to limit exposure to Covid-19, must:

- 4.1. Wear a face mask at all times.
- 4.2. Adhere to any other health protocols and maintain social distancing of at least one and a half meters from each other.
- 4.3. Register at the entrance to the venue by capturing, Name, Surname, Contact number and Temperature.
- 4.4. Sanitizer at all entrances to venue by having both hands sprayed with Virokill or disinfectant approved by BSSA every time the venue is entered.
- 4.5. Exhibitors must de-spot and prepare birds before arriving at the Show venue.
- 4.6. Exhibitors must adhere to the roster for the Benching and De- Benching of birds according to the allocated time slots to avoid overcrowding of venue.
- 4.7. Exhibitors must spray their own exhibits before benching.
- 4.8. Not eat and or drink in the venue.
- 4.9. Visitors and Club members not complying with Covid regulations will be formally addressed and birds entered could be Disqualified.

A member not adhering to this Directive could be suspended for up to two (2) Shows.

Any Covid Protocol rules may be added or removed, depending of the Lock down Level and Disaster Management Law of South Africa as per Government Gazette.

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