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# SANPO CONSTITUTION 2020

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# 1. NAME

1.1 The name of the South African National Pigeon Organization will remain as is and be known hereafter as "SANPO".

# 2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 In this constitution, except where it is contrary to the spirit of the constitution, the meaning of the under-mentioned terms will be as follows. A reference to the male gender also includes the female gender.

2.2 "**SANPO council**" - the Executive council shall, in accordance with the provisions of clause 5.2, hereafter be referred to as the **Council.**

2.3 "**Member**" - an affiliated Racing or Fancy Pigeon Organization such as a regional body - board, club or federation or group of clubs with a common membership of no fewer than 30 active club members.

2.4 **"Fellow member**" - Any Pigeon Organization or club located within the borders of the Republic of South Africa which has fewer than 30 members.

2.5 "**Club member**" - an active Club member affiliated with a **Member**, either directly or through his Organization, that is a club, union or federation.

2.6 "**Rules**" - the racing rules, clock rules, show rules and any other regulations of SANPO in force from time to time.

2.7 "**South Africa**" - the Republic of South Africa.

# 3. OBJECTIVES

3.1 SANPO was founded with the following objectives:

3.1.1 To create a central, non-profit-seeking body for pigeon organizations as established in the Republic of South Africa.

3.1.2 To protect, promote and stimulate the art of an interest in pigeon racing and the showing of pigeons. To provide assistance in the prescription of uniform rules and regulations for the control and protection of pigeon racing without affecting the autonomy of **Members**.

3.1.3 To promote fellowship between club members and racing pigeon enthusiasts in general.

3.1.4 To prescribe joining fees and membership fees payable by all classes of members, and the amounts.

3.1.5 To purchase or obtain stocks to cater to the needs of all classes of members.

3.1.6 To appeal to all classes of members, if necessary, in order to ensure the correct functioning of SANPO in consultation with the procedure set out hereunder.

3.1.7 To organize and promote pigeon racing and the showing of racing pigeons. To allocate such funds of SANPO as deemed necessary for awarding and paying prizes in respect thereof.

3.1.8 To prescribe a uniform measurement system for all national races and to lay down uniform clock rules.

3.1.9 To fix the registration fee for national races and exhibitions.

3.1.10 To present and award prizes for competitions, races or shows promoted by SANPO and to allow such participants, members or not, thereto on acceptable terms, as well as to make contributions from SANPO funds for such competitions, races or shows organized or held under the auspices of members of SANPO.

3.1.11 To purchase, lease or otherwise obtain such movable or immovable property, as may be required for the aims of SANPO.

3.1.12 To sell, mortgage, lease or in other ways dispose of immovable or movable property of SANPO.

3.1.13 To lend such amounts or an amount of money as may be required by SANPO and as set out hereafter.

3.1.14 On the basis of sufficient security, to invest SANPO funds that may not be immediately required for the administration of SANPO.

3.1.15 To institute or defend legal proceedings.

3.1.16 To make, amend or withdraw the constitution as well as rules and regulations of SANPO in accordance with the procedure set out hereafter.

3.1.17 To affiliate with international racing pigeons organizations as well as with SASCOC and/or any other suitable body.

3.1.18 To perform all other actions and matters that is additional or relevant to the above mentioned objectives.

# 4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Affiliation:

4.1.1 Any racing or fancy pigeon organization established in the Republic of South Africa may apply for membership of SANPO.

4.1.2 Such applications must be made in writing to the secretary of SANPO and must be accompanied by a copy of the constitution of the applicant organization as well as a

name and address list of its club members, and the relevant membership fees due. The constitution shall indicate the applicant's boundaries.

4.1.3 The secretary shall inform all relevant **Council** members, **Members** and Organizations of the application within the applicant's boundaries. The **Council** reserves the right to either accept or reject such application, upon compliance with paragraphs 4.1.4, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2.

4.1.4 The secretary shall supply the treasurer with all the lists of names and addresses received of the applicant Organization.

4.2 Objection to affiliation:

4.2.1 Objection to affiliation with SANPO by any pigeon organization or **Member** shall be expressed by submitting a written notice of objection to the secretary of SANPO within 30 days of the receipt of the notice of the application by the **Member** concerned, as mentioned in clause 4.1.3 of this constitution.

4.2.2 Objections may not be submitted after the due date of the said period of 30 days, and reasonable notice of objection(s) and of the mentioned relevant matters therein shall be given to the applicant Organization, which shall have the right to respond in writing. The objections and replies shall as soon as practically possible be considered and decided upon by the Executive Council which may either accept or reject the applicant Organization.

4.2.3 The rejected applicant may request the reasons for the rejection which must be supplied in writing.

4.3 Resignation:

4.3.1 Any **Member** who wishes to resign from SANPO shall advise the secretary in writing of such intention before the first day of May of each year, otherwise such **Member** shall still be considered a **Member** and be liable for the ensuing year's membership fee.

4.3.2 Despite the fact that a **Member** has resigned from SANPO, such **Member** shall still be liable to SANPO for all outstanding membership fees as well as for any debts incurred by him to SANPO, or their share of debts incurred by SANPO during his period of membership.

4.4 Classes of membership:

4.4.1 "**Member**" as defined in the constitution (ref. 2.2).

4.4.2 **"Fellow member"** as defined in the constitution (ref 2.3 ), and which within its club membership has a minimum active club membership of ten (10) persons, who have reached the age of 18 years, shall be eligible for fellow membership with no voting rights.

4.4.3 Proposals for honorary life membership shall be considered by the **Council**. The

**Council** shall submit the recommendation for Honorary Life membership to the annual general meeting. Honorary Life membership shall be elected with a two-thirds majority vote, and the election shall be recorded in the minutes of the annual general meeting.

4.4.4 Club member - Any person affiliated to a **Member** becomes a member in his own right of SANPO through his club, union or federation. All members of a **Member** will be bound to this constitution and rules that are in force and as amended from time to time.

4.4.5 A **Member's** membership may be terminated due to non-compliance with the SANPO constitution and rules after due process has transpired and may only be effected by the majority vote of the Council. For privilege of appeal, refer to clause 10.

4.4.6 Junior members :

a) Juniors should not be allowed to take part in any Pools or any form of gambling.

b) Juniors should not have a right to vote on any matters associated with Normal membership of Clubs/Federations/Union/Fancy Clubs.

c) Only once moving out of junior ranks does a junior get full voting rights.

d) Maximum age 18.

e) Five pigeons per race maximum.

4.5 Formation of new clubs
Whenever a new club is formed, the club must apply to the organisation in whose jurisdiction it falls for affiliation. Clubs must affiliate to an SANPO affiliated organisation. Should a club be formed out of members of another club in the same organisation, the club being formed will not be acknowledged as a club unless the remaining club from which these members now form the "New club" leaves with a minimum amount of membership in the existing club for it to be recognized as a club by the clubs Organisation to which both the new and existing club belongs.

**Note Needs to be in line with the organisations constitutions in determine the minimum number of members in a club.**

4.6 SANPO member organisation are only allowed to Transport SANPO members pigeons on their Transporters and no other non-member pigeons / rogue organisations"

4.7 No member who is a member of two or more separate organisations is entitled to sit on any Council, board, committee which has decision making powers unless that member is an active racing member/fancy member of that organisation."

4.8 Despite the fact that a Member has resigned from SANPO, such Member shall still be liable to SANPO for all outstanding membership fees as well as for any debts incurred by him to SANPO, or their share of debts incurred by SANPO during his period of membership or their share of debts incurred by SANPO **or their Organization during**

**his/their period of membership.**

4.9 Only persons who have completed a minimum period of four (4) calendar years' service as **Council** members of SANPO may be nominated for the office of President/Vice-President. (used to be 2 years)

# 5. MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

5.1 Management and Control

5.1.1 Pigeon Sport in South Africa shall be managed and controlled by the **Council** of SANPO as well as by the mandated delegates present at the Annual General Meeting.

5.2 The **Council** of SANPO shall include the following council members and office- bearers as duly elected or appointed and shall manage all Sport matters during the year from AGM to AGM:

5.2.1 The President;

5.2.2 The Vice-President;

5.2.3 11 Council members – 1(one) from each Province, one from the SANFPA and one from the Federated Board. In the event a FB member is the elected Western Cape chairperson/president, no other FB will be attending on SANPO's expense. The provincial member will be the Provincial President. A second voluntary attendee, the Vice- President or other nominated representative of the Province, of which all costs will be borne by the Province for the 2nd Representatives, other than the Provincial President may voluntary attend such Council Meetings. Included in the eleven Council Members is the Council Member which will be forthcoming from the Fancy Pigeons Association. The same rules pertaining to cost of attending SANPO Meetings to apply to these appointments.

5.2.4 The Secretary;

5.2.6 The Treasurer; and

5.2.7 The Supply Officer.

5.3 The SANPO Executive Council shall include the following **Council** members and office-bearers and shall manage the day to day administrative issues and matters of SANPO under oversight:

5.3.1 The President;

5.3.2 The Vice-President;

5.3.3 The Secretary;

5.3.4 The Treasurer, and

5.3.5 One additional member selected from the Provincial representatives. (Should it be necessary to address a problem in a specific Province, the **Council member from that Province shall be co-opted**. If the issue affects the Sport, then **all Council members** will be informed and co-opted).

5.4 In order to effectively manage and control pigeon racing, the country (South Africa) is divided into nine (9) provinces plus the Fancy Pigeon Organisation and the Federated Board namely:

5.4.1 North West.
5.4.2 Mpumalanga.
5.4.3 Gauteng.
5.4.4 KwaZulu Natal.
5.4.5 Free State.
5.4.6 Eastern Cape.
5.4.7 Western Cape.
5.4.8 Northern Cape.
5.4.9 Limpopo.
5.4.10 South African National Fancy Pigeon Association.
5.4.11 Federated Board

**(Note: In the event a FB member is the elected Western Cape chairperson/president, no other FB will be attending on SANPO's expense)**

5.5 Provinces 5.4.1 through to 5.4.11 shall;

5.5.1 Elect one Provincial President – the Provincial President to represent the Province as **Council** member and one (1) alternate – The Vice-President who will be the second Provincial Council Member – cost of his attendance to be borne by the province, and whose names shall be submitted to the secretary of SANPO before or on 1st March of each year.

5.5.2 Should there be more than one Provincial Presidential and Vice-Presidential nominees, an election shall be held in that Province to determine who the elected Provincial President and Vice-President will be.

5.5.3 Each pigeon fancier affiliated to a **Member** in the Province shall have one vote.

5.5.4 Should there be a tie of votes; the current president of SANPO shall have a casting vote. The casting vote of the president of SANPO can be made in person, by facsimile, by telegram or by e-mail.

5.5.5 A Provincial representatives (President and Vice- President) shall hold the office of

**Council** member for four years and shall have one (1) vote on the **Council** and may be re-elected **for more than one term.**

5.5.6 If the president/vice-president is elected from one of the **Council** members (Provincial representatives), an election will be held in the Province within 30 days as prescribed in this constitution.

5.5.7 The president of region I and K shall be the representative.

5.5.8 The chairpersons of the Member's (Federation, Union, etc.), in a Province, shall handle the election of the Provincial representatives in a region. Where there is more than one member organisation in the Province the Chairperson of each member organisation shall have an opportunity to chair such a meeting on a rotational basis.

5.6 The President of SANPO shall be elected every fourth year for four (4) years at the Annual General Meeting, and thereafter be eligible for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms after which he/she needs to vacate the office for at least a period of two (4) years. The election will be the same year as the SASCOC election.

5.7 The Vice President of SANPO shall be elected every fourth year for four (4) years at the Annual General Meeting, and thereafter be eligible for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms after which he/she needs to vacate the office for at least a period of two (4) years. The election will be the same year as the SASCOC election.

5.8 The President in conjunction with the **Council members** has the power to co-opt an additional person through election by the majority of votes of the **Council**. This person is co-opted for a specific task and does not have the same status as elected Council members. The **Council** determines when the task is completed, whereupon the co-option expires.

5.9 Office-bearers such as the secretary, treasurer, supplies officer or any other office shall be appointed biennially by the president and **Council** members.

5.10 Written nominations for the offices of President/Vice-President, as set out in clauses 5.6 and 5.7 and accepted by the nominees, must reach the official office / secretary of SANPO ten (10) days prior to the election date.

5.10.1 The nominee(s) must be seconded by two **Members**, one of whom should be from outside his region.

5.10.2 The final list of nominees shall be available from the secretary of SANPO seven (7) days prior to the election.

5.11 Only persons who have completed a minimum period of two (4) calendar years' service as **Council** members of SANPO may be nominated for the office of President/Vice-President.

5.11.1 If only one nomination(s) for the offices of President/Vice-President set out in clauses 5.6 and 5.7 are received, the nominee(s) shall automatically fill the offices of President/

Vice-President.

5.11.2 If more than one nominee is received for the offices of President/Vice-President, the nominee(s) who for the first time draws more than 50% of the votes, shall fill the office. (That is, if 5 nominations are received, all delegates vote in the first round. If none of the five draw more than 50% of the votes, the nominee who drew the least votes shall fall out. Voting takes place on this basis until one nominee draws more than 50% of the votes.).

5.12 Meetings of SANPO:

5.12.1 An annual General Meeting shall be held at least once a year.

5.12.2 The date, time and venue of the next AGM will be determined at the AGM.

5.12.3 Notice of the venues, dates and times for such meetings, as well as the nature of the proposed matters to be discussed, shall be given to members at least twenty-one (21) days prior to such meetings. It would be up to the members of clause 2.3 and 2.4 to inform their respective clubs and club members accordingly.

5.12.4 Special General Meetings may be convened at the request of the **Council** or upon receipt of a written request from two or more **Members** with a total membership of no fewer than 500. Such request must be signed by the Chairman of the **Members** concerned. The Secretary shall inform all **Members** and **Council** members of such meeting within fourteen (14) days from receipt of such request.

5.12.5 A minimum of twenty-one (21) days' notice of a Special General Meeting shall be given. The matters to be discussed shall be set out in full and annotated in the notice convening such meeting and will be the only matters open for discussion at the Special General Meeting.

5.12.6 Written communication can be by either by Registered post, or Electronic mail, however the preferred and approved method of communication is by electronic mail. Each **Member** shall register two (2) e-mail addresses with SANPO and such e-mail address should have a **Read Receipt functionality to confirm receipt of same**. All communication between the SANPO, Board members and **Members**, as well as Executives by e-mail is deemed to have been acquired, received and read when said functionality reports to this effect. Fax communication would also be sufficient and will be deemed as sent based on the send transaction report printed by the Fax machine depicting the recipients fax number, which should be preserved to prove this fact. It is the **Members** sole responsibility to update both his postal address and e-mail addresses on a frequent basis, but at least once a year, by providing the relevant information to the SANPO secretary.

5.12.7 A quorum for Annual or Special General Meetings shall be one third of the sum total of votes allocated to **Members** of SANPO, and exclude all **Council** members as they are affiliated to a delegated representative from a **Member**.

5.12.8 In the absence of the President and Vice-President the delegates present at the Annual

or Special General Meeting shall elect a chairman from the **Members** present, as represented by the authorized delegates.

5.13 Method of voting and procedure

5.13.1 Votes for each **Member** shall be allocated on the basis of one (1) vote for the first thirty (30) club members, and thereafter one (1) vote for every additional fifty (50) members or part thereof, provided that no member shall be entitled to a total sum of votes greater than forty percent (40%) of the total sum of votes of members of SANPO.

5.13.2 A **Member** shall not be allowed to vote if the provisions of paragraph 6.1.2 are not complied with.

5.13.3 Every **Member** shall exercise his voting rights by means of one representative.

5.13.4 Every **Council** member shall be entitled to one vote on the **Council for Council matters** but none on the Annual General Meeting or Special Annual General Meeting.

5.13.5 Votes shall only be cast on an official voting paper and shall only be valid provided such voting paper is fully endorsed and completed. No proxy vote shall be valid.

5.13.6 In the case of a difference of opinion, the ordinary majority shall prevail over the minority, except where otherwise expected by any rules, regulations or by-laws in force at the time.

5.13.7 In the case of an equal count of votes, the Chairperson of the relevant meeting shall have a deliberate and decisive vote.

5.13.8 The declaration by the Chairperson that a decision has been taken shall be final, unless a recount of votes is immediately requested.

5.14 Meetings of the **Council**

5.14.1 **Council** meetings shall be held as deemed necessary by the president or at the accepted request of at least three (3) **Council** members, as a special **Council** meeting.

5.14.2 Notice of the date, time and venues of such meetings as well as the nature of the matters to be discussed shall be given to each **Council** member at least fourteen (14) days prior to the dates fixed for such meetings. Only matters as identified on the agenda will be discussed at Special **Council** meetings.

5.14.3 If a **Council** member tenders his apologies for three (3) consecutive meetings, without a satisfactory explanation for his absence, his office shall be declared vacant. If such **Council** member is an elected council member, his position shall remain vacant until the next General Meeting.

5.14.4 Any seven (7) members of the **Council** shall form a quorum.

5.14.5 All matters shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of equal votes, the

chairman shall have a decisive vote.

5.15 Minutes

5.15.1 The minutes of all meetings shall be approved at the next meeting, and all minutes of sub-committees shall be submitted to the **Council**.

5.15.2 Minutes of all meetings (General or Council meetings) shall be circulated to delegates and **Council** members no later than four (4) weeks following the dates of such meetings.

# 6. FINANCES

6.1 Membership fee:

6.1.1 The **Council** shall request **Members** to contribute an annual membership fee to the funds of SANPO. Such fee shall be fixed by means of a general meeting and paid to SANPO by 31st July the following year.

6.1.2 Before or on the last day of July of each year, each **Member** shall provide to the treasurer of SANPO a list on which appears the names, surnames, identification numbers and cell number and e mail address (if possible) of all his club members and office-bearers, as well as the membership fees owing by **Members** of SANPO with respect to his club members. No club member shall be entitled to the privileges of SANPO until his name appears on such list and his membership fee has been paid in full.

6.1.3 A club shall not be allowed to accept any person as club member who has severed his ties with another club unless such person has been discharged of all financial obligations and he presents an official clearance letter to this effect. Should the applicant have severed ties with the club from another Member Organisation a Clearance Certificate from the Organisation from whom the person is leaving would also need to be obtained clearing him of all financial and disciplinary liability toward that organization.Where an entire club leaves from/serves ties with a member organization to join another member organization ,, the organization from which the club and all the club members are leaving have to provide the new organization with a Clearance certificate , should the members / club leaving in good standing before such members can be accepted and if accepted without such clearance the new Member Organisation will become liable for any matters outstanding pertaining to this club or its members.

6.1.4 Should a club or organization accept a club member without complying with the aforementioned, the club or organization shall be held responsible for all outstanding fees and the club member's membership will be invalid. The club that contravenes this "article" may be charged with misconduct.

6.1.5 A **Member** must ensure that these requirements are carefully observed by all clubs and all club members affiliated to the clubs. Each **Member** shall notify the secretary of SANPO in writing and in full of all suspensions of clubs and/or club members. The secretary of SANPO shall in turn notify all relevant **Members** of such suspensions in writing.

6.1.6 Membership Payments from organisations is due 31 st July every year. Failure to pay the membership fees on or the last day of July, will result in a letter of demand issued to the organization. Failure to comply within 14 days, a letter of Infraction will be issued, and the membership will be terminated.

6.2 Responsibility of **Members**. The responsibility of each **Member** is restricted to:

6.2.1 Payment of his annual membership fee together with a certificate stating that the books of the organization were properly kept according to financial regulations, which must be handed in to the treasurer of SANPO not later than the 31st July. If an application for Lotto funding is done, audited financial statements of the organisation provincial structure must accompany the application.

6.2.2 Members should submit the info to the secretary when submitting the membership details – 31st July each year.
Only totals per organization – race , gender , junior and disabled members.

6.2.3 Collect and pay out to SANPO the amounts of any request or requests, authorized by a General Meeting, and directed to all classes of members affiliated with SANPO at the time of such requests.

6.2.4 Any other responsibility that may be incurred by SANPO during the period of a member's membership.

6.3 Monies.

6.3.1 All monies of SANPO shall be deposited into a bank account as authorized by the **Council**.

6.4 Signing powers.

6.4.1 All authorized documents and cheques that need to be issued on behalf of SANPO shall be considered correct if (properly) signed by two of the following: the President, the Treasurer and a **Council** member designated by the Council

6.4.2 SANPO will operate an Internet Banking Service where two of the three authorized signatories; the President, the Treasurer and a Council member designated by the **Council**, will have the authority and access to load and authorize payments.

6.5 Audit

6.5.1 At the Annual General Meeting, a professional auditor or auditors shall be appointed to fill this office until the next Annual General Meeting. The Council may fill any accidental vacancy in the office of auditor. The auditor/s shall revise SANPO's books at least once after the financial year. SANPO's financial year is 1st January to 31st December each year. These Financial Statements then need to be presented at the Annual General Meetings of SANPO every year.

6.5.2 It shall be the duty of the auditor/s to examine the books at a time fixed by the council. The auditor/s shall at reasonable times and for the purposes of his/their duties have access to the books and to the records of SANPO.

6.5.3 A copy of every balance sheet and statement for submission to SANPO at the General Meeting shall be made available to the auditor/s at least one month prior to the date fixed for such meeting. It shall be the duty of the auditor/s to study these and to certify their correctness.

6.5.4 No **Council** member shall be eligible for the office of auditor, and no auditor may be direct family of any **Council** member.

6.5.5 The auditor/s may, if deemed necessary, request a General Meeting at any time. In this case the secretary shall be notified in writing, and he shall, subject to the usual notice for such General Meeting, convene such meetings.

**6.5.6 Other Financial Rules**

It is required from all organisations affiliated to SANPO: - (Provincial, Union, Federation and Combine level)

6.5.6.1 To have a constitutional requirement for an Annual Financial Report, that must be presented to the members of the organisation at the AGM, to be held at least once a year. (Accrual base)

6.1.6.2 To have a suitably trained treasurer approved on the AGM.

6.5.6.3 That the MEMBER's constitution requires the Treasurer to have a position on the management committee or board.

6.1.6.4 To have an appropriate accounting system (manual or automated), with financial reports on a monthly basis to the MEMBERS Management Committee.

6.1.6.5 To have an approved Bank Account with a duly registered Bank.

6.1.6.6 That, if a MEMBER utilises cheques, then cheque signing authorities of at least three registered members in good standing is required, with two signatories always applied and required on the cheque to ensure legality. Will apply wit EFT's as well.

6.1.6.7 To have set reporting practices for the Management Committee, therefore a standing Agenda item for Finance on every month Management Committee.

6.5.6.8 That the management board/committee should receive timely and accurate financial statements that are presented regularly.

6.1.6.9 That every member of the organisation MUST acquire a monthly bill to indicate the member's financial status.

6.5.6.10 To define a financial delegation of authority that must be ratified by the MEMBER's members on the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to state clearly up to which financial limitation in rand value the management committee may spend specific funds, and above which limit they must request support from the members.

6.1.6.11 That the management board must meet annually to be debriefed by the external auditor, if applicable, on the state of the financial position and systems within the organisation and any issues identified throughout the audit process must be discussed. This information must be shared on the AGM.

# 7. POWERS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

7.1 Powers and duties of the Executive Council.

7.1.1 The **Council** shall have the power of attorney and authority to take any steps, to make decisions and to take actions that are necessary for the management of SANPO, in order to perform the objectives of SANPO.

7.1.2 All **Council** members must state their interests which are relevant and important in decision-making of SANPO affairs and these interests should be documented.

7.1.3 To ensure that honest bookkeeping is kept of all transactions of SANPO; the amounts of money received and expenses paid by SANPO; the matters for which such monies are received or spent, and the assets and liabilities of SANPO must be fully disclosed as per Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

7.1.4 The actual format of such records shall be determined by the **Council** in accordance with general bookkeeping practice and GAAP principles.

7.1.5 The **Council** shall decide by resolution to what extent the books and records of SANPO or any of them shall be available for inspection by **Members**, and **Members** shall only have such powers of inspection granted to them by such resolution, on condition that an Annual General Meeting (AGM) may decide that any person normally delegated by a **Member** and approved by the Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall have the right to inspect any book of SANPO and take extracts from it.

7.1.6 SANPO's Treasurer and / or Secretary shall safe keep the books of SANPO and one of their (treasurer and secretary's) duties shall be to ensure that all these rules are complied with in full.

7.1.7 To make enquiries in respect of the conduct of any **Member** or club member within an equitable and fair process.

7.1.8 Draw up, add or append, amend or annul any rule, by-law, regulation or process deemed necessary while ensuring it is not contrary to the R.S.A. constitution or other Legal frameworks currently in force, provided that such appendix, amendment, etc., mentioned above are approved by a correctly constituted SANPO Council meeting of which the referred items for change, appear on the Agenda which has been circulated

timeously, changes minuted, and circulated as soon as possible after such council meeting but no later than 14 days after such council meeting. Only direct Constitutional clause changes and amendments thereto will be addressed at AGM level or Special General Meeting where the required quorum with a two thirds Majority Vote required would alter a constitutional clause.

7.1.9 To delegate part of the **Council's duties** to subcommittees or to ensure the appointment of subcommittees to handle special matters. All recommendations by subcommittees for approval or disapproval shall be submitted to the next **Council** meeting for ratification, and minutes of the approval/disapproval thereof shall be condensed in writing and noted in the minutes of the meeting.

7.1.10 Take or defend legal steps in the name of the present President or his designated delegate of SANPO, subject to the approval of the members at Annual General Meetings.

7.1.11 To appoint or dismiss administrative office-bearers, and to stipulate their Duties as well as their salaries and wages.

7.1.12 Financial powers of the **Council**:

7.1.12.1 To supervise and control funds and any other property of SANPO.

7.1.12.2 To compensate any debts or obligations incurred by SANPO, and to recover any debts or other obligations owing to SANPO.

7.1.12.3 To invest any funds of SANPO which are not immediately required for the objectives of SANPO.

7.1.12.4 With the approval of a general meeting, to make such request/s for funds as may be necessary to perform its duties.

7.1.12.5 In general, to control, regulate and manage the affairs of SANPO in order to achieve its objectives and perform its functions.

7.1.12.6 To appoint the President, the Vice-President and two other council members to decide on and act in respect of urgent matters. Any decisions and actions taken as such shall be reported to the council at its next meeting, and minutes of the approval thereof shall be taken, with the minutes reflecting the decisions made and deliberations which were taken into account. However no financial commitments may be made above the legal prescript that calls for an Annual General Meeting.

7.2 Duties of the Secretary and the Treasurer:

7.2.1 The Secretary and the Treasurer shall keep a register of **Members** in which the names and addresses of their secretaries, chairmen and other office-bearers are noted.

7.2.2 The Treasurer shall do the bookkeeping, and ensure that bookkeeping is kept of all the books and records of SANPO.

7.2.3 The Treasurer shall receive payments and issue receipts for all enrolment fees, membership fees and other amounts received.

7.2.4 The Secretary shall keep a true and accurate record of all matters of all meetings in a book or electronic files kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall scan all signed minutes and place it on the SANPO web site in order to ensure full communication of decisions are available to all **Members**.

7.2.5 The Secretary and the Treasurer shall perform all the duties normally associated with the office of secretary and Treasurer, and shall also execute all instructions given by the **Council** from time to time.

7.3 Duties of the Supply Officer:

7.3.1 To ensure that order forms for supplies requested annually are sent to all members on time.

7.3.2 To compare all orders upon receipt, and to provide or order all the necessary supplies.

7.3.3 To obtain all necessary government or other permits as may be necessary from time to time.

7.3.4 To keep all supplies and to distribute these as and when decided by the **Council**, or as required by the **Members**, and to keep accurate bookkeeping thereof.

7.4 Responsibility of all **Members**:

7.4.1 All **Members** must ensure that clubs elect a ring master. He shall keep a register of all the rings supplied to club members. Club ring registers must be kept for a period of 10 years. **Members** must provide all relevant contact details of these officials to the SANPO secretary for inclusion on the SANPO website, alternatively the **Member's** web site with all details must be linked to the SANPO website.

7.4.2 Each club must appoint basket officials, who shall see to the following: marking racing registration forms; attaching rubber rings, and placing all pigeons, registered for the race, in official racing baskets; sealing racing baskets once the pigeons have been placed therein, and all other matters in respect of the placing of pigeons, registered for races, in baskets.

7.4.3 All **Members** must purchase identification rings through SANPO. All rings shall bear only the letters "ZA" before the year and figures, except when the **Council** decides otherwise.

7.4.4 All **Members** must ensure that all loft co-ordinates are made by a qualified person with a GPS. Organizations must ensure that all distances are conducted by the same method, with the same type of GPS and as far as possible by the same person.

7.5 Responsibilities of Club members:

7.5.1 Every Club member of an affiliated **Member** who enjoys the full privileges of affiliation shall become a numbered member of SANPO in his own right; all club members of SANPO are bound by these rules and/or subsequent amendments or additions thereto and/or any additional rules or regulations laid down by a resolution taken at a General Meeting.

# 8. PRIVILEGES OF CLUB MEMBERS

8.1 Club members of affiliated **Members** shall enjoy the full privileges of SANPO as long as all the rules and governing regulations are complied with.

8.2 No individual may take part in any event at any SANPO meeting or register his pigeons for any race held and / or in any way be involved with SANPO, while he or an affiliated **Member** of which he is a member is suspended.

8.3 Any person who is a club member of an affiliated **Member** shall, with respect to appeals referred to in clause 10, have the same right as a **Member** and the rules in respect of such appeals shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to such person.

8.4 A club member may neither register his pigeons for any race nor participate in any race in which SANPO is involved, if such pigeons have been given one or more of the forbidden drugs mentioned in addendum B (**Forbidden Substances as contained in the SANPO Doping Manual**) The Member and affiliates federation, union or club is authorized to test any pigeons of club members at any level on the night of basketing only. Night of basketing is the evening the birds are basketed for the race preceding the first Saturday or any other day of first race after the birds have been basketed at the respective basketing venues.

**Please note Addendum B and the SANPO Doping Manual is hereby fully constituitonalised, and prescriptive on all Members and member organisations**

8.5 If the club member's pigeon/s being found guilty of containing prohibited/forbidden substances, disciplinary action shall be taken and, if the club member is found guilty, a penalty shall be imposed. See Addendum C. The performance of a pigeon/s who test/s positive shall be cancelled.

8.6 Stray pigeons: It shall be an offence for any fancier to keep, race or breed with a stray pigeon. Such conduct by a fancier (if found guilty) shall be punishable by means of a one year suspension from partaking in any competitive event.

8.7 The onus will be on the fancier who traps the stray pigeon, to report it immediately to his official ring steward of the organization to which the fancier belongs. The ring steward must immediately thereafter ensure that the stray pigeon's details are placed on the official SANPO website and that recording may only be removed from the website when the rightful owner authorizes same. Any fancier who traps a stray pigeon cannot compete in any official event with that stray pigeon unless he has the written consent

of the rightful owner which consent shall be forwarded to SANPO for their official recording thereof as well as to the official ring steward of the organization to which the fancier belongs.

8.7.1 The fancier in possession of the stray pigeon can never claim ownership rights of the pigeon (rightful ownership) unless explicit conformation is received from the rightful owner of the stray pigeon and an ownership transfer is registered with SANPO. Should the rightful owner not be traced within sixty (60) days elapsing from the time being that the stray pigeon was first reported, the Reporting Fancier will enjoy racing rites to the pigeon only and not ownership rights.

# 9. ACTION

9.1 Disciplinary action by club, Federation, Union and then SANPO. Federation and Union depending on the Region which is the higher authority could be swapped.

9.2 For guidelines, see Addendum C. (Behavior and disciplinary code) SANPO must be incorporated as an organization to the code.

# 10. PRIVILEGE TO APPEAL

10.1 Disciplinary appeals

10.1.1 The disciplinary appeal board shall comprise five (5) **Council** members, excluding the president. No **Council** member shall serve on the disciplinary appeal board in his professional capacity.

10.1.2 Any individual who was acted against by his club, or a **Member** against whom action was taken according to the existing rules of SANPO and is dissatisfied, may, after having taken all the appeal channels, opened by any organization to whom his club / organization may be affiliated, within fourteen (14) days following notice or appeal, as the case may be appeal to the disciplinary appeal board.

10.1.3 Subsequently the secretary shall, within fourteen (14) days, refer the appeal to the disciplinary appeal board, to whom all the relevant documents shall be made available.

10.1.4 The appeal shall be addressed to the secretary of SANPO and indicate whether the appeal is made against the finding, the nature of the punishment or both.

10.1.5 The appeal must indicate the grounds of appeal and include the unique number of the appellant or identify the **Member** together with proof of payment of R500.00.

10.1.6 The appeal board will have the following powers:

a) To clarify any uncertainties concerning the appeal with the relevant parties.
b) To confirm, alter or set aside the conviction.
c) To confirm, alter or set aside the sanction.
d) To refer the matter back to the panel for retrial with regard to the conviction or sanction.

10.2 Non-disciplinary appeals. Any differences between **Members** of SANPO with respect to any matters regarding the pigeon sport or its accessory activities, including the sale, care, safe-keeping, transport or control of racing pigeons, and all matters that affect the well-being of SANPO, will be decided by this clause.

10.3 Should a **Member** or an affiliate to a **Member** not be satisfied with the interpretation of any "clause" of this constitution or rules or regulations in force, or in case he disagrees with any decision or any matter taken by the disciplinary appeal board, other than disciplinary, he may appeal to the council. The appeal must indicate the grounds for the appeal and must include the unique number of the appellant or the **Members** identification as well as proof of R800.00 payment.

10.4 DISPUTE MECHANISM AND RESOLUTION

1. Everybody or individual falling under the jurisdiction of SANPO shall ensure that any dispute it has with a body or individual falling under the jurisdiction of SANPO or any dispute with SANPO, itself is resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution mechanism set out below.

2. This provision does not replace any existing or future Provincial arbitration processes.

3. This provision can only be invoked if all internal processes have been exhausted.

4. The council shall, prior to each biannual council meeting, nominate, in writing a panel of arbitrators to adjudicate disputes pursuant to clause 1 above. The said panel shall consist of sat least at least one person from an accredited resolution body.

5. All disputes pursuant to article 1 shall be resolved by arbitration to be held before a SASCOC nominated arbitrator or agreed to by the dispute parties. If the disputing parties are unable to agree upon the nomination of the SASCOC arbitrators within five days of being called upon to do so, the President shall in sole and absolute discretion be entitled to appoint the arbitrator from the SASCOC arbitrators

6. Save for the appointment of the arbitrator in terms of clause 5 above the arbitration shall be held in terms of the rules and procedures of the arbitration foundation of Southern Africa or its successor, provided that the decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the disputing parties.

7. Costs are for the applicant.

# 11. INDEMNITY

11.1 The president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, supplies official and members of the board shall respectively be exempted from all obligations incurred by them in the performance of their duties in terms of the constitution, except that which they incurred through negligence or omission.

# 12. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

12.1 Any clause of this constitution may be altered, amended, expanded on or recalled and new constitution may be accepted at Annual General Meetings with a resolution borne by a majority of two thirds of the sum total of votes of the **Members** present at the start of such meeting.

12.2 Notice of all proposed changes, amendments, expansions, recalls and new rules shall be given to the secretaries of **Members** at least six (6) weeks prior to the date of the meeting at which the motions on such actions or matters shall be served. Such secretaries must then immediately notify the secretary of SANPO so that sufficient notice of any proposed amendments can be given by the secretary of SANPO to all **Members** at least 21 days prior to the general meeting.

12.3 Proposals to amend the constitution can be made at the general or special general annual meetings.

12.4 A resolution accepted at any meeting of SANPO may not be rescinded or recalled at the same meeting.

12.5 If any resolution which amends any clause in the constitution of SANPO is approved at a properly constituted annual general meeting, the secretary shall minute this in full and post the minutes to the secretaries of the **Members** to the last registered addresses of the **Members**. The new amendments shall be in force and binding on all **Members** as soon as such minutes are posted by the secretary to the secretaries of the **Members**. In the event that **Members** need to adapt their constitutions to affect the changes it is expected that a Special General Meeting of the effected Members will transpire within thirty (30) days of the notifications to effect the changes, which will then become enforceable for the various Members, else the relevant Members have the right to dispute, in writing according to the agreed processes.

# 13. INTERPRETATION

13.1 Should there at any stage be any doubt regarding the interpretation of any clause in this constitution or the rules of SANPO, the correct interpretation shall be that of the **Council**. Such interpretation may, however, not contradict any other clause in this constitution, or the law, rules and regulations that may be in force. In considering any interpretation, the council shall be led by that which is considered to be generally accepted practice within the ambit of the relevant legal frameworks of South Africa.

# 14. DISSOLUTION

14.1 SANPO shall not be dissolved as long as ten (10) **Members** remain affiliated, and then only by special resolution accepted at a special general meeting convened for that purpose. For the purposes of this clause, a special resolution shall mean a resolution which is accepted by a majority of at least two thirds of those Members present at a properly constituted meeting. The quorum at such a meeting shall be two thirds of the voting power of fully registered Members attending.

14.2 At the dissolution of SANPO, the assets shall at best be sold and the profits after payment of obligations and expenses be donated to a charity organization as decided at such meeting.

## 15. GENERAL RULES OF SANPO

15.1 Appendix A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H.

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**President: South African National Pigeon Organisation**

# APPENDIX A – PROVINCES

## SANPO PROVINCIAL STRUCTURE - 2019

| REGION | NUMBER | ORGANISATION |
|---|---|---|
| | | **GAUTENG / MPUMALANGA** |
| | 04 | PWDU (PWDC) |
| | 05 | PWDF (PWDC) |
| | 06 | OERF |
| | 08 | WRRPA |
| | 09 | GPU |
| | 10 | TRPF |
| | 11 | VPU |
| | 12 | ODRA |
| | | **FREE STATE** |
| B | 01 | BLOEM PF |
| | 02 | NVSVDB (Noord Vrystaat Vliegduif Bond) |
| | 03 | NOVPF |
| | 04 | OVRDF |
| | 05 | SVPV |
| | 06 | WELKOM SK |
| | | |
| | | **LIMPOPO** |
| C | 01 | SENTRAAL LIMPOPO DUIWE UNIE |
| | 02 | VERRENOORD RDF |
| | 03 | LAEVELD PLATO PU |
| | 04 | YSTERBERG SC |

| | | NORTHEN CAPE |
|---|---|---|
| D | 01 | NOORDKAAPLANDSE PF |
| | 02 | NOORDWES WEDVLUGDUIF FEDERASIE |
| | 03 | KALAHARI POSDUIF FEDERASIE |
| | 04 | KURUMAN POSDUIF KLUB |
| | 05 | NOKPU |
| | 07 | NAMAKWA SPESIALISTE KLUB |

| | | EASTERN CAPE |
|---|---|---|
| E | 01 | PORT ELIZABETH DUIWE FEDERASIE |
| | 02 | UITENHAGE DESPATCH DUIWE FEDERASIE |
| | 03 | UITENHAGE PIGEON FEDERATION |
| | 04 | KAROO WEDVLUG UNIE |
| | 05 | BORDER HU |
| | 06 | ECPF |
| | 07 | GRAMESTOWN RPC |
| | 08 | GAMTOOS FEDERASIE |

| | | WESTERN CAPE |
|---|---|---|
| F | 01 | MASKAM PF |
| | 02 | WES BOLAND DU |
| | 03 | N BOLAND PU |
| | 04 | WYNLAND DU |
| | 05 | OVERBERG PU |
| | 06 | O BOLAND PU |
| | 07 | FEDERATED BOARD |
| | 08 | SOUTH PENINSULA HU |

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|---|---|---|
| | 09 | NRHU |
| | 10 | WPHU |
| | 11 | BOLAND DU |
| | 12 | WYNBERG & DISTR HU |
| | 13 | PAARL SPESIALISTE DUIWEKLUB |
| | 14 | Western Flyers |
| | 15 | PPL |
| | 16 | WESKUS - 2018 |
| | 17 | Namakwa Posduif klub |
| | 18 | Malmesbury |
| | 19 | EDEN 2018 |
| | 21 | SOUTHERN SUBERBS - 2018 |

| | | NORTH WEST |
|---|---|---|
| G | 01 | SAAMSTAAN RDF |
| | 02 | WESTELIKE PU |
| | 03 | PLATINA SPESIALISTE WEDVLUGDUIWE UNIE - PSWU |
| | 04 | NOORDWES PF |
| | 05 | SENTR NOORDWES PF |

| | | KWAZULU NATAL |
|---|---|---|
| H | 01 | KZN RPU |
| | 02 | CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN NATAL RPC |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| I | 01 | NFPA |

| | | MPUMALANGA |
|---|---|---|
| J | 01 | MIDDELVELD |
| | 02 | MPUMALANGA HOEVELD POSDUIF UNIE (MHPU) |

# APPENDIX B - FORBIDDEN DRUGS

**All forbidden substances as contained in the SANPO Doping Manual Annexure 13**

# APPENDIX C - CONDUCT/DISCIPLINARY CODE FOR FEDERATION/UNION/CLUB

1. Aim of the code

1.1 It is the policy of the **Member** (Federation/Union/Club) to maintain order in respect of its activities by creating a climate that is conducive to the pursuit of the pigeon sport, i.e. pigeon racing and pigeon showing.

1.2 Furthermore, it is the intention of the **Member** (Federation/Union/Club) to encourage such conduct among members that is proper, constructive and generally acceptable to all its members.

1.3 This code also aims to indicate, address such conduct of members that is non-compliant, and to institute disciplinary actions within the framework of natural justice, against members who do not conform to the norms and standards of orderly and proper action.

1.4 The **Member** (Federation/Union/Club) has a positive approach to discipline and endeavors by means of corrective measures to create a climate in which members are encouraged to comply with the rules and codes of conduct.

1.5 The **Member** (Federation/Union/Club) therefore does not follow a punishment approach in respect of discipline, but encourages every member who is capable of acceptable conduct to behave himself and to act in a correct manner.

1.6 The key principles of this code are:

1.6.1 To ensure that the members of the **Member** (Federation/Union/Club) shall treat each other with mutual respect.

1.6.2 To protect all members against arbitrary action.

1.6.3 To demand satisfactory conduct and action from all members of all SANPO **Members**.

1.7 Delete.

1.8 The code encourages timely action if a member's conduct or action appears to be unsatisfactory or unacceptable.

2. Applicable principles

2.1 The code shall apply equally to all members of the Federation/Union/Club **(Member)**.

2.2 It is every member's responsibility to maintain discipline, good order and proper acceptable conduct.

2.3 A member against whom steps were taken in terms of this code shall at all times:

2.3.1 be notified of the charge against him/her in writing;

2.3.2 A reasonable time is deemed to be that the 1st hearing will take place no later than 90 days after, in the case of Positive Dope Testing, and within 21 days after receiving a report or need to discipline Non-Compliant behavior. Either incident referred to above to be concluded no later than 6 months after the infringement. The member will continue to be allowed to fly until the outcome of the hearing/appeal, at which time the relevant punitive sanctions will be applicable. (From date of the offence/infringement).

This is on the premise that South African Law is based on the principal that someone is innocent until proven guilty. Should the timelines not be achieved the parties can apply to SANPO for condonation. SANPO have the right except or reject the request.

Note: In case of a positive test, all pigeons basketed by the fancier will be disqualified for that specific race. (Team of pigeons)

2.3.3 be present at the trial, and be entitled to be heard;

2.3.4 have the right for representation during the investigation;

2.3.5 have the right to call witnesses;

2.3.6 cross-examine any witness;

2.3.7 Have the right to access any witnesses, proofs or such relevant information;

2.3.8 If found guilty, the respondent shall be granted time to present witnesses for the purposes of mitigation upon which a sanction shall be imposed;

2.3.9 On time, but no fewer than three days after the trial, be notified in writing of the panel's sanction; and

2.3.10 The respondent shall be informed of his right to appeal to the Federation / Union / SANPO.

3 Infraction(s)

3.1 It is impossible to list all possible forms of infraction. Action shall therefore be based on what is considered unacceptable and unreasonable conduct, measured against the current or established norms and standards of conduct of members of the **Member** (Federation/Union/Club). Every infraction which causes unacceptable conduct shall thus be identified and dealt with in accordance with the disciplinary process.

3.2 Alleged infractions

3.2.1 More than one alleged infraction can be handled in the same trial; and

3.2.2 Infractions may be combined for the purposes of disciplinary action.

3.3 Disciplinary decisions are taken upon proper consideration of previous similar infractions of which the warning period has not yet expired, as well as the general disciplinary record of the relevant respondent. It is therefore essential that the respondent's disciplinary record be considered when deciding on the most suitable disciplinary sanction to be taken once a member has been found guilty of the infraction.

3.3.1 In a case where more than one fancier is racing pigeons from one erf and one is subjected to a disciplinary hearing and is suspended, the other fanciers can continue to race from this erf. The suspended fanciers issued ring series is suspended for the period of suspense from racing.

Any fancier found guilty as outcome of a disciplinary hearing, and a suspension for a period of time is the punitive sanction, the erf will not be disqualified, but the whole racing team will be suspended for the duration of the suspension.

3.4 The following list of infractions can as a rule be identified in the member-to-member relationship. (However, this list should not be considered complete.) Infractions are also categorized as follows for the sake of easy reference.

3.4.1 Disorderly/Abnormal conduct;

3.4.2 Alcohol/Drugs; and

3.4.3 Dishonesty.

3.5 Disorderly/Abnormal conduct

3.5.1 The maximum disciplinary sanction applicable in respect of each column should be used as a guideline and not necessarily applied. The nature and circumstances of each separate case, considering its own merits, should be considered before a decision is taken.

| **Infraction** | **Explanatory note** | **First infraction** | **Second infraction** | **Third infraction** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **A.** Threaten or incite other members to take part in violence or serious disruption | | Final written warning | Suspension for a specific period | Termination of membership |

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| **B.** Threat to physically injure and assault | Physical assault/-attack by one party in respect of another or by two parties towards each other. Circumstances where self- defense is at issue must be considered | Suspension for a specific period | Termination of membership | NA |
| **C**. Impolite/Improper contemptuous conduct | Use dirty language in communication with other members, make disparaging remarks to other members, provocation, impoliteness, cheek, Use of improper signs and other conduct related to this. | Written warning | Suspension for specific period | Termination of membership |

3.6 Alcohol/Drugs

3.6.1 The maximum disciplinary sanction applicable in respect of each column should be used as a guideline and not necessarily applied. The nature and circumstances of each separate case, considering its own merits, should be considered before a decision is taken.

| **Infraction** | **Explanatory note** | **First infraction** | **Second infraction** | **Third infraction** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **A**. Use alcohol in an area other than an area specially provided for the use of alcohol | When a member for instance on Basket evening uses alcohol in the hall and not in the bar | Verbal warning | Final written warning (can be excluded if it is a serious infraction) | Suspension for a period or permanent |

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| **B.** Be under the influence of alcohol to such an extent that member's conduct causes a nuisance, resentment or aversion | When a member is under the influence of alcohol/drugs to such an extent and other members find his conduct unpleasant or distasteful | Final written warning | Suspension for a period | Termination of membership |

3.7 Dishonesty

3.7.1 The maximum disciplinary sanction applicable in respect of each column should be used as a guideline and not necessarily applied. The nature and circumstances of each separate case, considering its own merits, should be considered before a decision is taken.

| **Infraction** | **First infraction** | **Second infraction** | **Third infraction** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **A.** Fiddle with clocks, race rings, electronic rings or any-thing related to this in orderto influence the accurate time measurement of participating racing pigeons inany way. | Suspension for a period | Termination of membership | |
| **B.** Dishonesty in respect of origin and/or gender registers of pigeons presented for auction | Written warning | Suspension for a period | Termination of membership |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **C.** Pigeons obtained in a way contrary to general principles of good practice, e.g. stealing pigeons, appropriating foreign pigeons without warning the Federation/Union secretary of the presence of the foreign pigeon within (4) four days. | Final written warning/- suspension for a period | Termination of membership | |
| **D**. Purchasing pigeons, including purchases at auctions without settling the agreed on purchase price in time and in full | Prevention from taking part in further races | Suspension for a period or termination of membership | |
| **E**. Use of any forbidden drugs as mentioned in ***Appendix B See below:*** | | | |

Positive test results for the pigeon fancier's team:

**1st Offense**: Minimum punitive sanction a warning (fancier) with immediate disqualification of the team (pigeons) for the specific race.

**2nd Offence**: Minimum punitive sanction 185 days suspension i.e. one active season. (Banned to fly any pigeons from the same stand or plot – different names)

**3rd Offence**: Life-time ban.

4 Disciplinary procedure

4.1 The procedure consists of two actions:

4.1.1 An investigation during which facts and proofs applicable to the alleged infraction are gathered, and

4.1.2 If the investigation indicates that the infraction is such that the penalty does not justify a written warning or a heavier penalty, the following procedure applies.

4.1.2.1 Deliberation: In cases where the degree of severity of the infraction only justifies

deliberation, the Chairman of the Federation/Union/Club must:

4.1.2.1.1 Bring the infraction to the member's attention;

4.1.2.1.2 Establish the reasons for the infraction and give the member the opportunity to react to the allegation; and

4.1.2.1.3 Reach agreement with the member in order to redress the conduct.

4.1.2.2 Verbal admonition: If the degree of severity of the infraction justifies a verbal admonition, such verbal admonition is given by the Chairman of the Federation/Union/Club to the member. The Chairman informs the member that any future conduct may lead to more severe action by the Federation/Union/Club. The verbal warning is annotated in the records of the Federation/Union/Club.

5 If the investigation indicates that the infraction is of a more serious nature, where the suitable penalty upon being found guilty shall justify at least a final written warning, or where the member previously received a verbal warning for the same type of infraction, a trial shall be held during which the facts and proof applicable to the alleged infraction(s) shall be evaluated and a decision taken as to the correct disciplinary sanction.

5.1 When a member is formally charged with an alleged infraction, the following procedure applies:

5.1.1 The member is notified in writing of the alleged infraction in a format similar to Addendum A.

5.1.2 The respondent admits guilt or pleads not guilty before or on five days following Addendum A in a format similar to Addendum B has been served.

5.1.3 On admission of guilt, the alleged misbehavior is considered proven and a panel designated by the Federation/Union/Club management hears any mitigating circumstances of the respondent and imposes a suitable sanction.

5.1.4 The respondent is informed in writing within three days of the decision of the panel mentioned in 4.2.3.

5.1.5 The respondent reserves the right to appeal as far as the sentence contained in the prescribed procedure for appeal is concerned.

5.1.6 If the respondent pleads not guilty, the following procedure applies:

5.1.6.1 The respondent receives a written notice 7 days prior to the trial date, in a format similar to Addendum C, of the trial to be held on a specific date, at a specific time and at a specific place.

5.1.6.2 The trial is handled by a panel, designated by the Federation/Union/Club management, and consisting of the following members:

5.1.6.2.1 In the case of a trial handled by the Federation/Union; any competent person designated by the Federation/Union who can act as Chairman and two members of the Federation/Union designated by the chairman, and a member designated by the club of the respondent. The chairman has the power to designate an assessor to assist with the trial. Any competent person who performs the investigation and presents the evidence (the investigator).

5.1.6.2.2 In the case of a trial handled by the Club: Any competent person designated by the club who can act as chairman, and two members of the club designated by the chairman. The chairman has the power to designate an assessor to assist with the trial. Any competent person who performs the investigation and presents the evidence (the investigator).

5.1.7 If the notice of trial is served in time to the respondent and he is not present at the scheduled trial, the trial shall proceed in his/her absence. If the respondent requests postponement, he/she must request the investigator at least 48 hours before the date of the trial.

5.1.8 The presiding officer of any of the 1 and/or 2 mentioned panel/s has the power to impose the suitable sanction, taking into account paragraph 3 of the mentioned guidelines.

6 Aim of the trial

6.1 To maintain order.

6.2 To obtain and evaluate all relevant facts, information and proofs.

6.3 To pronounce judgment in respect of the guilt or not of the respondent.

6.4 To impose a disciplinary sanction in the case of guilt.

6.5 To obey the rights of a respondent.

7 The trial (what must be minuted mechanically or in writing)

7.1 The panel follows the following procedure during the trial:

7.1.1 The presiding chairman explains the nature and aim of the investigation and explains the respondent's rights.

7.1.2 The investigator presents the charge to the respondent and addresses the panel on the facts.

7.1.3 The respondent is given the opportunity to address the panel and to identify points of dispute.

7.1.4 The Federation/Union/Club puts its case (by the investigator) and calls witnesses.

The witnesses may be cross-examined by the respondent or his representative, and members of the panel can also ask questions for the purpose of elucidation.

7.1.5 Hereafter the respondent is given the opportunity to state his case as well as to call witnesses. The respondent and his witnesses may be cross-examined by the investigator, and members of the panel can also ask questions for the purposes of elucidation.

7.1.6 The investigator is given the opportunity to address the panel with respect to the guilt of the respondent, and the respondent is given the opportunity to address the panel with respect to his innocence.

7.1.7 The investigator and the respondent are temporarily excused and the panel concludeswhether the respondent is guilty or not.

7.1.8 The presiding officer calls the parties back into the committee, including the respondent, and informs the respondent of the judgment (guilty or not) providing reasons for such conclusion.

7.1.9 The investigator and the respondent are given the opportunity to present mitigating or aggravating circumstances if a decision of guilty is pronounced.

7.1.10 Upon hearing the pleadings for aggravation or mitigation, the investigator and the respondent are temporarily excused and the panel decides on the imposition of a suitable sanction.

7.1.11 The presiding officer must now inform the respondent verbally of the sanction by the committee, but must also serve his sanction in writing to the respondent before or on three days following the date of the trial.

7.1.12 The presiding officer also draws the respondent's attention to his right to appeal to SANPO/Federation/Union.

**ADDENDUM A**

NOTICE OF INFRACTION

To:
Dr/Prof/Mr/Ms :_____

Club :_____

Address :_____

Dr/Prof/Mr/Ms

NOTICE OF INFRACTION

You are hereby notified that you are charged with the following infraction:

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You are requested to admit guilt or plead not guilty of the said infraction/s in writing within five (5) working days upon receipt of this letter by completing Addendum B.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that you may be assisted by a legal representative or a member of the Federation/Union/Club.

Investigator_____Date :_____

A copy of this document is served on the respondent on the ..... once the nature and purpose thereof was explained. Addendum B is also delivered.

Signature of investigator:_____

Signature of respondent:_____

Refusal to admit receipt: _____

Signature of witness :_____

**ADDENDUM B**

ADMISSION OF GUILT OR PLEADING NOT GUILTY

Respondent's initials and surname:_____

Club : _____

Address : _____

_____

The chairman : _____

With respect to your notice of infraction, dated ..... I hereby plead as follows:

Infraction 1: Admit/plead not guilty

Infraction 2: Admit/plead not guilty

Infraction 3: Admit/plead not guilty

Infraction 4: Admit/plead not guilty

Signature of respondent:_____

Date :_____

**ADDENDUM C**

NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY TRIAL

To:

Dr/Prof/Mr/Ms :_____

Club :_____

Address :_____

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Dr/Prof/Mr/Ms

NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY TRIAL

It is hereby confirmed that you are notified of an infraction/s of the disciplinary code and that youhave pleaded not guilty of the infraction/s in writing.

According to the Disciplinary Code a trial shall be held in respect of the alleged infraction/s in

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at _____(hour) on_____(date)_____(month)_____(year)

and you are hereby notified to attend the trial.

Please note that the trial can be held in your absence, should you unduly not be present.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that you can be assisted by a legal representative or a memberof the Federation/Union/Club.

Investigator _____ Date_____

A copy of this document is served on the respondent on the ..... once the nature and purpose thereof was explained. Addendum B is also delivered.

Signature of investigator: _____

Signature of respondent: _____

Refusal to admit receipt:_____

Signature of witness :_____

# APPENDIX D - GENERAL, RACING, AS WELL AS CLOCK RULES, AND RELEASE OF PIGEONS

All **Members** must annually check the following rules that are binding.

Should a **Member** transgress the rules, a penalty of up to a maximum of R10.000 can be imposed.

D1 Racing rules

D1.1 The racing programme for each season, compiled by **Member** organizations, as well as details of the release points, times, transport costs, registration fees, basket dates, and release dates shall be made available to every club member at least 14 days prior to the first race.

D2 Speed calculation

D2.1 Each race shall be calculated according to the system of speed calculation over a straight distance and the time elapsed between the releasing time and the clocking in time, minus the night hours where applicable. The winning pigeon shall have flown the most number of meters per minute, and the next places in sequence according to the most number of meters per minute flown.

D2.2 A race shall terminate in accordance with the distance flown and the clocking in time of the winning pigeon plus the number of hours mentioned hereunder:

D2.2.1 up to 700 km - 12 hours (excluding night hours);

D2.2.2 701 to 1000 km - 24 hours (excluding night hours); and

D2.2.3 over 1000 km - 48 hours (excluding night hours).

D2.3 A race terminates as soon as the first pigeon's speed is less than 450 metres per minute. Such race is cancelled and annulled.

D2.4 A race shall be cancelled only following a decision by the **Member** organization's executive committee.

D3 Pigeons that may take part in races.

D3.1 Pigeons that compete in races must be the bona fide property of the club member who registered them, and every pigeon must be ringed with the official registration ring of SANPO.

D3.2 Derby race: Only pigeons with the official derby ring of the **Member** organization, issued for that purpose to a club member of the organization, and registered in his name, may participate in derby races. If a club member becomes a member of another **Member** organization, he may register his pigeons as Derby's before

1st April. The cost due per ring must be paid. It is for the **Member** organization to accept it or not.

D3.3 Young pigeons: Young pigeons may, in the year of its birth, participate in the races as stipulated by the relevant organisation, provided that, if registration rings from another recognized organization are used, the rings are not issued before the date of the **Member's** organization. In the case of foreign rings, a certificate stating that the rings were not issued before the date of issue of the rings of the **Member's** organization, must be received from the organization that issued the rings.

D3.4 All races conducted over 1000km needs to be approved by SANPO. Organizations need to apply to the secretary of SANPO for permission for all races exceeding 1000km. Races over 1000km will only be approved if it is for scientific reasons and not exceeding 1200km. **NO participating member's distance must exceed the 1000km**

D3.5 Registration: **Member** organizations themselves can decide whether the next rule shall apply to their members. If so, every club member must before the start of each racing series register all the pigeons that will participate in the next racing season. A list of all pigeons shall be handed to the secretary of his club at least 14 days prior to the start of the races. This list must be handed to the racing secretary of the **Member** organization who, upon acknowledgement of receipt, stores the list in his file for record purposes. Additional lists may be handed in during the season. When such list signed by the club member is handed in, the club member by implication states that he is the *bona fide* owner of the pigeons on the list.

D3.6 Registration rings: Registration rings supplied by SANPO and registered in the name of a **Member** organization must be issued to the club members of such organization and registered. A Ring Register must be kept by the **Member** organization or club that issues the rings to its club members. The ring numbers and details of the club member, with his address and telephone number, must appear in the register. No club member may register any pigeons that are not his property for a race. Upon signing the racing registration form, the club member declares that the pigeon thus registered is his *bona fide* property. (See paragraph D3.8)

D3.7 Issuing of rings: No rings shall be issued by SANPO to any **Member** or to any member thereof unless all amounts owing are paid. No issued rings may be sold or alienated to any non-members or to any **Member** or club member whose membership fees are in arrears. SANPO's management committee shall be entitled to impose a penalty for transgressing this rule. **Members** shall fix the date on which rings shall be made available to their membership but not earlier than the 29th December. 29th December is used as the 1st January is a Public holiday with many Fanciers and or Ring stewards not being at home rather than on the 29th December which is a working day.

D3.8 Damaged rings: All pigeons taking part in races must wear an undamaged

registration ring. Any rings that are stretched or tampered with/damaged disqualify the pigeon for participation in races. Any infraction invalidates the right to prizes, places, and further participation in races.

D3.9 Stray pigeons: It is strictly prohibited to participate in races with stray pigeons. (SANPO Constitution clauses 8.5 and 8.6). Any stray pigeon and its full ring identification particulars must immediately be reported to the official ring steward of the relevant **Member** organization or club or other responsible person who was appointed by the **Member** organization of the club. To locate the owner of a stray pigeon a tag displaying the telephone and/or mobile number of the relevant ring steward or other responsible person appointed by the organization or club must be affixed to the pigeon's leg or wing. The tag may be affixed to the electronic ring or to a plastic mark ring or may be stamped onto the pigeon's wing.

**As from 2019 a cell number will be all live rings replacing the SANPO.CO.ZA. When ordering the 2019 rings, organisations / personalized rings should also submit the cell number.**

Decision based on the discretion of the organization. (Owner or ring steward etc- should be a responsible official)

D3.10 All pigeons must be vaccinated annually against Newcastle Disease (ND) Pigeon Paramyxovirus (PPMV), and Pigeon Pox(PP) with the last vaccination having been done at least 30 (thirty) days before the racing season starts.

The following vaccines must be used:

**Newcastle Disease (ND)**: An inactivated vaccine intended for the active immunisation of day-old broiler chicks against Newcastle Disease, registered with Act36/1947. *(Example NOBILIS® ND BROILER REG. NO. G2469 / Act 36/1947)*

**Pigeon Paramyxovirus (PPMV)**: An inactivated vaccine intended for the active immunisation of Pigeons against Pigeon Paramyxovirus, registered with Act36/1947. *(Example NOBILIS Paramyxo P201 REG NO, G2494 Act36/1947)*

**Pigeon Pox:** A Modified live vaccine intended for the active immunisation of Pigeons against Pigeon Pox. *(Example Medipox REG NO. G3045 Act 36/1947)*

A certificate confirming this had been done, signed by the relevant member as well as two fellow club members, containing the batch number and expiry date of the vaccines used, should be made available. Each club member / club / organization must have such a certificate or a copy thereof available at all times.

D4 Basketing

D4.1 Basketing and ringing of pigeons may not start before at least four members of whom at least two must be unrelated, are present. These four members do not indicate the size of the club. Club size is determined by the organization's constitution.

D4.2 All pigeons taking part in races must be ringed with a rubber ring supplied and approved by the organization to its clubs. When electronic clocks are used, the pigeons must wear electronic rings.

D4.3 Rubber rings: Before a club member's pigeons are ringed for basketing, the necessary number of rubber rings with paper slips for the relevant pigeons must be kept in such a way that the member does not have access to them.

D4.4 Handling: The organizations may decide whether a club member or his deputy may be allowed to handle his own pigeons for the purposes of attaching rubber rings or to place them in the racing basket.

D4.5 Reading of ring details: No club member and/or his partners may read out the numbers of his own pigeons, when the rubber ring numbers are attached to his pigeons during basketing. The year, ring number and the letter indicating a specific race (e.g. "D" for Derby) as well as the letters that are to be indicated by the organization/club, must be read. The letters as determined by the organization/club must be limited to a maximum of four (4) letters. The letters ZA need not be read or endorsed on the entry form (See D4.7.3).Readers of ring particulars must always be mindful that the letters ZA appear on the pigeon's ring (SANPO Constitution clause 7.4.3).

D4.6 Control of rubber rings:

D4.6.1 When pigeons have been ringed with rubber rings and prior to their being placed in the specific basket, the basket official or another nominated member must control and ensure that the pigeon has a rubber ring/electronic ring that fits properly around its leg. The club member must also ensure that the pigeon is placed in the correct basket. Pigeons may under no circumstances be placed in another basket than the one with the ascribed number. Cocks and hens must be basketed separately as far as possible.

D4.6.2 No pigeons may for whatever reason be removed from an ascribed basket without the approval and supervision of the club racing secretary or his deputy.

D4.7 Race registration forms:

D4.7.1 On Entry forms approved by the Member Organisations

D4.7.2 The registration form must be completed in full and correctly, and mention the name of the club, the club member's name and the racing point. Upon completion the form must be signed by the club member or his deputy.

D4.7.3 Faulty or absent ring particulars, as determined by rule D4.5, may lead to the disqualification of such pigeons for that particular race.

D4.7.4 As soon as basketing is completed, all the original race registration forms of each club must be addressed, posted or delivered in a sealed envelope to the relevant

**Member** organization's Race Secretary.

D4.8 Duplicate registration form and paper slips of rubber bands: The corresponding paper slips of the rubber bands issued for the banding of a club member's pigeons and the duplicate registration form must be sealed in a separate envelope and kept in a safe place until the club member's clock is read. The way of safe keeping must be approved by the management committee of the **Member** organization.

D5 Sealing baskets

D5.1 Before pigeons are placed in a basket for a race, the large release door of the racing basket must be sealed with seals eg Clip or un-numbered seals. Once all the pigeons are placed in the basket and before the baskets are removed from the basketing place, the entrance door of the basket must also be sealed with a seal eg Clip or Lead seals.

D5.2 Supervision of baskets: From the time the basketing started until the baskets are loaded in the vehicle that transports the pigeons, the baskets must continuously be supervised by at least four competing members.

D6 Controlling a winning pigeon

D6.1 Member organisations themselves can decide whether the winning pigeon must be controlled. If so the following procedure must be followed: The winning pigeon of each club must be controlled as soon as possible by two nominated competing members. The ring details and the colour of the pigeon shown to them must be reported back to the club. The winning pigeon must not be released less than twenty metres from the relevant member's loft in order to establish whether it returns to the loft. The names of the two nominees must be annotated in the registration book or racing result of the relevant club member (owner).

D7 Night hours

D7.1 The method of calculating the velocity of a pigeon regardless whether one pigeon or no pigeons were clocked on the day of the race, must be determined by the Member (organization) on its annual general meeting. The specific velocity calculation procedure must, for appeal purposes, be sent to the **Member's** secretary before or on the 31st May of each year

D8 Loft distances

D8.1 Application: Applications for distances must be directed to the **Member** organization by his relevant club.

D8.2 Participation before distances are received: Until the distances are provided, club members who applied in terms of Section D8.1 shall be allowed to take part in races in accordance with the distances of a loft whose distances are known and which is the least to his disadvantage, or distances approved by the management committee of the **Member** organization.

D8.3 New lofts: If a club member's loft is moved more than 20 metres, he must re-apply for the distances.

D8.4 Accepted distances: Only distances calculated by a competent person with a GPS shall be accepted. Organisations must have their club members' distances calculated with the same method and type of GPS preferably by the same person.

D9 Transport arrangements

D9.1 All pigeons registered for races shall be transported at the owner's risk.

D9.2 During transportation, the **Member** organizations shall arrange that pigeons have food and water. (See SANPO's rules for the care and release of racing pigeons.)

D9.3 The **Member** organizations shall appoint truck drivers or conveyers who shall be responsible for the trucks, transport, care and release of the pigeons.

D9.4 The **Member** organizations shall not be responsible for the delay, any injuries or loss of racing pigeons for whatever reason.

D9.5 Truck drivers or conveyers are obliged to draw the **Member** organizations' attention to any baskets deemed unfit for the transport of pigeons.

D10 Escape of racing pigeons

D10.1 When during the transportation of the pigeons or at the release point the truck driver notices that some of the baskets are damaged or not sealed, he must immediately notify the **Member** organization's transport official. If the baskets are so damaged that it is suspected that some pigeons have escaped, he must annotate the number(s) of the basket(s), count the remaining number of pigeons in the specific basket(s), and annotate the ring number of the pigeons. The report must be handed to the **Member** organization's transport official upon arrival.

D10.2 Except in the case of rule D10.3, if on account of a report the transport official is convinced that pigeons transported to a release point have escaped from a specific racing basket(s), he shall report to the **Member** organization's management, and all the pigeons placed in the specific basket(s) for the race shall be disqualified from the specific race.

D10.3 If it is established at the release point that pigeons have escaped from basket(s), and the remaining pigeons' registration numbers can be annotated in consultation with the **Member** organisation's management in the presence of a person approved by the Member organization's management, and ensured at the release point that such pigeons can be released with the remaining pigeons, only the pigeons whose registration numbers are annotated from the effected basket(s) shall be allowed to compete in the specific race.

D11 Release of pigeons

D11.1 The truck driver or conveyer shall receive written instructions from the transport official concerning the release times as decided by the **Member** organization's management.

D11.2 If, due to unforeseen circumstances, release times must be amended, the **Member** organization's management shall decide accordingly.

D11.3 See SANPO's rules in respect of the care and release of racing pigeons. (D13)

D12 General

D12.1 A club member is not allowed to compete in races to more than one loft, unless such lofts are situated no more than twenty (20) meters from each other.

D12.2 The number of pigeons which club members may register for races shall be determined by the **Member** organization. If a club member baskets more than the allowed number of pigeons, the last pigeon to appear on the entry form/electronic basket print will automatically be disqualified, unless it is discovered after basketing and the club member indicates which pigeon(s) he would prefer to be disqualified. Such pigeons' number will then be crossed out.

D12.3 Appeals against race results must be handed in to the **Member's** secretary within seven (7) days after the date of publication.

D12.4 It is compulsory for each affiliated organization / **Member** to take part in races, subject to these race rules and not to his own or those of other organizations. Decisions by SANPO's management concerning any matter and upon approval at the Annual General Meeting shall therefore also apply and be binding on all affiliated organizations / **Members**.

D13 Rules for the care and release of racing pigeons

D13.1 SANPO was compelled to establish standards for the care of racing pigeons for the period during which the pigeons are transported to the racing point until the pigeons are released, and for the release of the pigeons and the circumstances at the release point itself.

D14 Care

D14.1 Water, bowls and food must always be available on the trucks so that the bowls are available should circumstances so change that the pigeons need food and water.

D14.2 Regardless when basketed, the pigeons must get water before being released.

D14.3 With long-distance races where the pigeons are placed in baskets on Thursday evening, it is essential that there is enough food so that if the pigeons must be kept over there is always food.

D14.4 The pigeons must get water twice or more a day, preferably in the morning after 10 o'clock and again in the afternoon. The pigeons must definitely get water the following morning before being released.

D14.5 The pigeons must be fed once or twice a day: in the morning after being placed in baskets just prior to being given water, and again in the afternoon just prior to being given water. Any Truck due to liberate pigeons shall have a minimum period 2 (two) hours rest from the time the truck arrives at the Liberations point until such time that pigeons are liberated. (Continues driving) Should a move not exceeding 100km a 30 minute resting period should be adhere to.

D14.6 No Liberations to be effected where a temperature is forecast to be more than 30 degrees Celsius within one hour of liberations. No Liberation to be effected if the temperatures at time of liberation are minus 5 degrees Celsius and colder. If the truck is standing 1 (one) hour in the sum, liberation can take place.

D15 Releases

D15.1 No pigeons may be released in mist or rain.

D15.2 No pigeons may be released if vision is not reasonable to very good.

D15.3 No pigeons may be released before 15 minutes after sunrise.

D15.4 No pigeons may be released near electric wires or other obstructions that can injure the pigeons upon release.

D15.5 No pigeons may be released in traffic, on highways, or other roads. No pigeons may be released within a radius of 10km from OPERATIONAL airports.

D15.6 The weather conditions on the flying route must be sourced on the internet or from the weather bureau to determine the likelihood of snow, severe rain and thick mist before the pigeons may be released. Should be conducive flying conditions. Organisations must make the decision to liberate at their best discretion. (Discretion) Opinion of the organisation that it is safe to liberate considering all information as being safe to liberate would then be final.

D15.7 An impartial person at a liberation point must certify that the pigeons are properly cared for before their release and that the weather is favorable for liberation. A certificate in respect of the above must be completed.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE ALL THE ABOVE THE ONUS A RESPONSIBILITY STILL REMAINS WITH THE FANCIER FOR LOADING HIS BIRDS ON THE OGANISATION TRANSPORT AND THE ORGANISATION OR SANPO WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ANY LOSSES OF PIGEONS WHATSOEVER.

D15.8 No intentional forced overnight races will be allowed.

D15.9 The liberation of training birds together with race birds from the same liberation point is not allowed. Training bird (organization or private) will be liberated at least 30 minutes after all race bird have been liberated.

D16 Injuries

D16.1 All pigeons which upon release cannot for one or other reason fly must be returned by the truck driver to the organization, which must then return the pigeons to the owner.

D16.2 Cutting of pigeon's nose wattles are not allowed except if it is done by a veterinarian.

D17 Basketing / Allocation

All racing pigeons must be properly allocated to the different racing baskets. No single fancier can basket his/her pigeons in one basket.

D18 Clock rule discussion and decision.
Not allowed to clock in training mode. Unions can appoint a member individual to sit at loft and verify by means of a hand clock. Still to be finalized.

D19 Transporting of Pigeons

SANPO member organisation are only allowed to Transport SANPO members pigeons on their Transporters and no other non-member pigeons / rogue organisations"

# APPENDIX E - SANPO CLOCK RULES FOR MECHANICAL CLOCKS

1. Slegs klokke van 'n ontwerp wat vooraf deur SANPO se bestuursvergadering, hierna genoem die bestuur, goedgekeur is mag gebruik word. Slegs die volgende ontwerpe is toelaatbaar, maar die lys mag van tyd tot tyd deur die bestuur aangevul word:

   Benzing Nr 2.; Benzing Nr 4.; Benzing Nr 5.; Benzing Quarts.; Benzing Paloma.; La Le Doise.; Junior No 2.; Junior No 4.;Toulet Super; STB; Benzing Comatic 18 of 25 duif.; Benzing Paloma "time controlled computerised"

1.1 Slegs die volgende klokke mag sonder doppies gebruik word:

   Benzing Nr 4; Benzing Nr 5; Benzing Quarts; Benzing Comatic. Junior model 4; La Le Doise gewone drom. Benzing Paloma "time controlled computerised"

2. Elke ge-affilieerde liggaam sal 'n klokkomitee bestaande uit ten minste drie lede aanstel. Die name, adresse en telefoonnommers van die benoemde lede sal voor die aanvang van enige wedvlugreeks skriftelik aan die wedvlugsekretaris verstrek word.

3. Enige lid wat aan wedvlugte wil deelneem moet sy klok, in behoorlike werkende toestand, veertien dae voor die aanvang van die eerste wedvlug van enige reeks aan die klokkomitee van sy ge-affilieerde liggaam (hierna die klokkomitee genoem) oorhandig.

3.1 Die klok moet nagesien, opgewen, verseël en aan die gang gesit word op dieselfde manier soos vir 'n wedvlug. Na verloop van twee dae, maar nie meer as drie dae, moet die klok op dieselfde manier soos vir 'n wedvlug geslaan word. (Sien ook artikels 8 & 10 wat hierop betrekking het.)

3.2 Nadat klokke goedgekeur is mag geen klok uit die bewaring van die klokkomitee verwyder word, tensy dit met die amptelike seël van die geaffilieerde liggaam verseël is nie.

3.3 Enige klok wat na die klokkomitee terug gebring word, wat nie behoorlik verseël is nie, sal gediskwalifiseer word, en voordat sodanige klok weer gebruik mag word sal die klokkomitee daarmee handel soos uiteengesit in reël 3.1.

4. Geaffilieerde liggame sal hul seëltange en seëls, ten einde misbruik daarvan te voorkom, te alle tye in veilige bewaring hou. Versuim om hierdie reël na te kom, stel die geaffilieerde liggaam bloot aan diskwalifikasie en of skorsing.

5. Slegs die klokkomitee mag 'n seël breek of 'n nuwe voorsien. Dit is egter die plig van die eienaar van die klok om te verseker dat die klok verseël is wanneer dit verwyder word en dat dit verseël bly totdat dit weer, vir welke rede ookal, by die klokkomitee ingehandig moet word.

6. Alle klokke sal alleenlik deur die klokkomitee gestel word.

7. As 'n klok gestel word moet die klokrol deur twee lede van die klokkomitee onderteken word met vermelding van die wedvlugpunt, die lid se naam, die nommer van die klok en die datum waarop die klok aan die gang gesit word. Bogenoemde is nie van toepassing op klokke wat nie met 'n klokrol toegerus is nie. Die naam van die lid, wedvlugpunt en datum van uitlui moet deur die klokkomitee aangebring word tydens uitlui, en as korrek gesertifiseer word. Geen lid mag 'n klok stel of mede onderteken wat deur hom gebruik word nie.

8. Klokke moet op die sein van die SAUK radio-tydsein in en uitgeslaan word. Klokke mag ook op die half-uur met die onafgebroke wêreld tydsein, in en uit geslaan word, indien dit deur die geaffilieerde liggaam goedgekeur is. Daar kan ook van die televisie tyd, 1026 tydsein, of "mastertimers" of GPS gebruik gemaak word. Hierdie tye sal in die klokboek aangeteken word. Dieselfde tydsein moet waar nodig by inslaan en uitslaan van die klokke gebruik word.

8.1 Nadat die klokke ingeslaan is ingevolge reël agt (8), moet 'n kontroleslag binne vyf minute uitgevoer word. Die kontroleslag mag nie met meer as twee sekonde van die tyd waarop die instruksie vir die uitvoering van die kontroleslag gegee was, verskil nie. Die tyd vir die kontroleslag binne die toelaatbare vyf minute, mag nie vooraf bepaal word nie, en moet van tyd tot tyd wissel. Dit moet bv. nie altyd presies op die minuut na een of twee minute gegee word nie. As die verskil twee sekonde oorskry moet die klok weer gestel en ingeslaan word op 'n daaropvolgende tydsein ingevolge reël agt (8). Verwys ook na reël 13.1 wie teenwoordig moet wees. Die vyf minute is slegs van toepassing op lede wat nie gesamentlik inlui nie.

8.2 Na die kontroleslag moet die nommer van die gaatjie waarin die eerste rubberring gesit sal word in die klokboek aangeteken word. Indien die aangetekende gaatjie by oopmaak van die klok leeg is, of indien 'n verkeerde ring daarin gesit is, moet die tyd wat op die klokrol met die betrokke kassie ooreenstem, gekanselleer word. Elke klokstrook moet die voorgeskrewe twee slae soos uiteengesit is in artikel 8 & 8.1 aantoon.

8.3 Dit is die verantwoordelikheid van die eienaar en of gebruiker van 'n klok om seker te maak dat die bepalings artikel 3.1 & 7 tot 8.2 nagekom is, voordat die klok uit die besit van die klokkomitee verwyder word.

9. Enige lid van 'n klokkomitee en enige lid van die bestuurskomitee, of 'n genomineerde van gemelde komitees sal, gedurende die tydperk waartydens 'n klok vir die een of ander wedvlug verseël is, geregtig wees om enige tyd sodanige klok te ondersoek, 'n tydslag uit te voer en indien 'n defek gevind word, op enige wyse behoorlik geag word te handel.

10. Op die uitklokdag, voordat die klokke oopgemaak word, moet alle klokke in die teenwoordigheid van ten minste vier lede op die sesde sein van 'n SAUK sein of 'n sein soos gemeld in reël 8, op die uur geslaan word. ALLE KLOKKE MOET OOK

DEUR DIE GENOMINEERDE VAN DIE KLOKKOMITEE, VOORDAT DIE SEËL VAN DIE KLOK GEBREEK WORD, GESLAAN WORD, EN DIE NOMMER VAN DIE OOP GAAITJIE MOET IN DIE KLOKBOEK AANGETEKEN WORD. Ter nakoming van die bepalings van hierdie reël sal die "vol" op die Benzing en STB klokke beskou word as 'n oop gaaitjie en sal as sodanig aangeteken word. Alle klokke wat nie uitgeslaan word nie, moet by die volgende mandjie aand geseël by die klokkomitee ingehandig word.

10.1 Slegs nadat die voormelde slae uitgevoer is, mag die klokkomitee die seëls breek en die klokke oopmaak. Klokke waarmee duiwe ingeklok is moet op elke dag waarop duiwe geklok is mee gehandel word soos in artikel 10, uiteengesit.

10.2 Geen toegewing moet gemaak word indien 'n klok meer as 2 sekondes per uur wen nie. Indien'n klok meer as 2 sekondes per uur verloor, moet twee maal die verlore tyd bygetel word wanneer die klokafwyking bereken word.

10.3 Die papierrol van 'n klok wat gaan staan het nadat geklok is, maar voordat uitgeslaan is, of van enige klok wat oopgemaak is voordat dit uitgeslaan is in ooreenstemming met reël 8 tot 8.2, mag nie aanvaar word nie. Die papierrol van 'n klok wat enige ponsmerke tussen die pons opening en/of pons sluitingsmerke het, mag ook nie aanvaar word nie. Ingeval van 'n horlosie waarvan die papierrol tussen die pons openingmerke en die pons sluitingsmerke geskeur het nadat 'n duif geklok is, mag die klok deur vier lede van die klokkomitee oopgemaak word, die papierrol herstel word sodat die uitslaan tyd van die betrokke klok geneem kan word.

10.4 Enige papierrol wat gehawend is of as gevolg van 'n foutiewe afdruk (horlosies oormekaar gedruk) nie gelees kan word nie, of wat enigsins twyfel laat, moet aan die Unie/Federasie bestuur oorhandig word vir hul inspeksie en hul beslissing sal finaal en bindend wees.

11. Die rubberring moet in die soort doppie wat deur die vervaardigers van die betrokke klok verskaf word of 'n soortgelyke doppie geplaas word. Oop doppies mag nie gebruik word nie. Hierdie bepaling is nie van toepassing op die soort klokke wat vervaardig is vir die gebruik sonder doppies nie en wat vooraf deur die bestuurskomitee goedgekeur is.

12. Ingeval 'n lid se klok gedurende 'n wedvlug gaan staan of defek raak voor die aankoms van sy eerste duif, moet hy die klok verseëld aan 'n lid van die klokkomitee oorhandig. Laasgenoemde persoon en een ander lid sal die mag hê om die klok weer te stel en aan die gang te sit op 'n radio tydsein, in ooreenstemming met die bepalings van artikel 8 tot 8.2., of sodanige lid mag met die naaste mededinger inklok.

12.1 Ingeval waar 'n klok gaan staan na die inklok van 'n duif, kan die eienaar die onoopgemaakte horlosie aan 'n lid van die klokkomitee oorhandig, wie gemagtig sal wees om die horlosie oop te maak, die rubberringe te verwyder en in sy eie horlosie in te klok. Indien 'n lid van die klokkomitee dieselfde mag oorkom, kan hy op dieselfde wyse optree en in enige lid se horlosie inklok asof daardie lid 'n lid

van die klokkomitee is. In elk van hierdie gevalle sal die tyd wat hier geregistreer word in die alternatiewe horlosie as die tyd van aankoms van die duif geld.

12.2 Waar 'n lid genoodsaak is om in 'n ander lid se horlosie in te klok, moet die lid sy onoopgemaakte horlosie met die seël onbeskadig aan die medelid toon ten einde hom te oortuig dat hy genoodsaak is om in die medelid se horlosie in te klok. Die Unie/Federasie bestuur moet voorsien word van die redes vir sodanige handeling saam met die afsending van die klubuitslae aan die Unie/Federasie wedvlugsekretaris.

13. Klokke sal na inkloktyd, volgens die oordeel van 'n filiaat, op die naas moontlike radiotydsein uitgeklok word.

13.1 Minstens vier (4) mededingende lede moet teenwoordig wees wanneer enige klok in of uitgeslaan word. 'n Lid is geregtig om teenwoordig te wees as sy klok oopgemaak word. Dit is egter die verantwoordelikheid van die lid om seker te maak dat of hyself of sy genomineerde teenwoordig is.Indien 'n lid nie van hierdie voorreg gebruik maak nie, sal aanvaar word dat dit met sy goedkeuring geskied.

13.2 Klokslae moet altyd tot die naaste halwe sekonde nadeel van die lid en deur ten minste twee lede van die klokkomitee gelees word.

13.3 Rubber ringe moet behoorlik in die gaatjie of doppie daarvoor bedoel, geplaas word. As die klokkomiteelid die ring verwyder moet hy homself tevrede stel dat die ring geheel en al binne-in die regte gaatjie en of doppie is.

13.4 Die reeks en kontrolenommer op die rubberring moet met die van die papierstrokie en met die op die inskrywingsvorm aangeteken, vergelyk word, die gaaitjienommer van die drom waaruit die rubberring gehaal is moet met pen op die rubberring en die papierstrokie aangeteken word. Indien die nommer wat op die inskrywingsvorm aangeteken is van die op die rubberring verskil, moet die nommer op die binnekant van die rubber- ring met die nommer op die binne kant van die papierstrokie vergelyk word. As hierdie nommers ooreenstem moet dit so aangeteken word.

14. Alle rubberringe met hul ooreenstemmende papierstrokies, klokrolle en wedvlug-uitslae van die duiwe wat in die uitslae verskyn, moet per aangetekende pos, gepos word aan, of per hand afgelewer word by die wedvlugsekretaris, nie later as die voormiddag van die tweede werksdag wat volg op die dag waarna die wedvlug gesluit is. Sou die bestuurskomitee dit verlang, moet sommige van of al die voormelde dokumente ter tafel gelê word. Hierdie dokumente moet in veilige bewaring deur die wedvlugsekretaris tot die 31ste Desember van elke seisoen gehou word, waarna dit vernietig mag word.

15. Mededingers mag twee of meer rubberringe in 'n doppie of kassie plaas. By die oopmaak van die klok sal alle ringe wat deur die klappies van die klokdrom vasgeknyp word, gesleep word, en of uitgespring het, nie aanvaar word nie. In die geval waar die ring sleep en in 'n ander gaatjie van die drom val, sal daardie gaatjie se tyd geneem word as die kloktyd van die spesifieke duif.

# APPENDIX F - ELECTRONIC RING SCANNING SYSTEMS

**Electronic Ring Scanning Systems hereafter referred to as ERS systems, can be used in place of the traditional mechanical/quarts clocks and rubber rings. The following rules are applicable to ERS systems and must be read and used together with the SANPO clock rules as detailed in appendix E.**

## 1. VALID ERS SYSTEM TYPES AND COMPONENTS:

1.1 Only makes of ERS systems and associated software releases approved by the SANPO Board, hereafter referred to as SANPO, and listed in rule 5.19, must be used by **Member** organizations.

1.2 Only branded electronic rings that appear on the official SANPO list of approved electronic rings must be used with ERS systems.

1.3 SANPO reserves the right to withdraw the approval of any ERS system at any time. To request the removal of an ERS system from the list of previously approved systems, affiliated organizations must submit a written justification to SANPO. The removal request must be formally approved by SANPO and al **Member** organizations must be informed in writing before the removal from the list becomes effective.

1.4 **Member** organization may use ANY approved ERS system. Individual club members are responsible for acquiring all the system hardware components required for the correct functioning of all systems used within a club. It is however the club's responsibility to ensure that all systems are used in the prescribed manner as detailed in the club manual issued by the manufacturer of the ERS system.

1.5 A **Member** organization may not refuse to allow the use of an approved ERS system, except when all the required hardware components for the correct functioning of the system are not available.

1.6 The users of ERS systems shall be required to:

a) Use the unique register ring of the ERS system to program at least three identity figures or letters during basketing/entering.

b) Use only SANPO approved electronic rings.

c) Use only the read/write type electronic rings during a race.

d) Generate printout of race data direct to a printer.

e) Basketing antenna and control keys and software used in the ERS system shall be

purchased or procured by the system owner.

f) All ERS systems must be used in accordance with the owner manual as issued by the manufacturer of the ERS system

## 2. SEALING OF ERS SYSTEMS:

2.1 Sensors no longer have to be sealed.

2.2 In the case where changes are necessitated by new component such as a new clock, additional or new loft antennas or new numbered seals due to repairs to a member's system, such changes need to be controlled and approved by the club, and the information in the register updated prior to any race in which a member utilizes additional or new equipment.

## 3. INSTALLATION OF ERS SYSTEMS AT THE LOFT:

3.1 Where a clock can be used as a loft antenna, such as in the case of a Benzing Express, only the assembly frame which houses the clock is required to be sealed in an approved placement position at the loft.

3.2 Antenna needs to be " FIXED TO THE LOFT"

## 4. ELECTRONIC RING REGISTRATION AND COUPLING:

4.1 The attachment of electronic rings to pigeons must be checked by the Race Secretary or designated official of each club to ensure that the electronic rings are securely engaged. This process must be performed before the commencement of the first race of the season.

4.2 Before the start of a racing season, the identification ring details of every pigeon that will be entered into races, must be coupled to an electronic ring. After this coupling process has been completed, the Race Secretary or designated official shall produce two copies of a printout of the coupled details for every competitor. The two copies must be signed by both the Race Secretary and the competitor and each must retain and file a copy as proof of the eligible pigeons that may be entered into races by the competitor. The signed copies of the printout may also serve as a pre-season registration form of all racing pigeons, where such registration forms are required by the organization.

4.3 The process of coupling identification ring data to electronic ring data may be updated during the racing season, but a new printout of coupled details must be produced and filed after every update.

4.4 The Race Secretary or designated official of a club may randomly produceprintouts of coupled details from any competitor's clock and compare the printout thus obtained with the official filed list to ensure that no unauthorized changes of

coupled details have taken place.

## 5. BASKETING AND RACE PROCEDURES:

5.1 The Race Secretary or designated official shall synchronize every Club Unit (CAN) with an official time signal when basketing may commence. This time signal may must be the time signal of a GPS system. The same time signal must be used by all affiliated members of any one organization.

5.2 An official entry form must be used in all cases where the basketing printout produced by the ERS system does not show all the particulars required by the organization (See rules D4.5 and D4.7.3).

5.3 When required, the Race Secretary or designated official shall set and synchronize the competitor's clock with the CAN and execute all other official procedures as prescribed by the makers of the relevant ERS system, before the basketing of the competitor's pigeons may commence. Check strikes are not compulsory when using ERS systems.

5.4 In organizations where competitors are allowed to basket their own pigeons, competitors must remove all rings, watches and bracelets and place their hands over the CAN immediately before basketing the first pigeon of every race. Competitors must also confirm that they have no electronic rings in their possession. The Race Secretary or designated official may request a competitor at any time during basketing to place his hands over the CAN and may also use the CAN to detect the presence of illegal electronic rings.

5.5 Before a pigeon is placed in a race basket, the electronic ring must be held over the CAN and the details of the identification ring as displayed on the clock must be compared and match the details of the identification ring on the pigeon's leg. The procedure as set out in Rule D4.5 must be followed when comparing the ring particulars.

5.6 A competitor may be instructed to nominate a fellow competitor to carry and enter his pigeons. All safety, security and basketing rules will then transfer to this nominated competitor.

5.7 During basketing, a basketing list shall be printed for each race under one race point after all the pigeons of a competitor for the specific race have been basketed. The basketing list serves as record of the pigeons entered and is signed by the Race Secretary or a committee member, as well as the competitor, as verification of the entry. In cases where official entry forms are in use, the printout shall be attached to the official entry form. Where no official entry forms are in use, the printout acts as the official entry form.

5.8 All hardware used during the basketing process i.e. The CAN (Club Antenna) or Basketing unit must be safely secured by the Race Secretary or designated official when not in use.

5.9 When a deviation error occurs during the setting and synchronization of a competitor's clock, the deviation in the time and/or date of the incorrect setting must be recorded and added or subtracted from all times and/or dates recorded during the race period. This allowance is necessitated by the fact that a clock cannot be reset after the basketing of the first pigeon of a race.

5.9.1. When a member realizes that his electronic clock is not showing the correct time before the pigeons arrive he must, in the presence of two club members (of which at least one member must be a clock committee member) on the same approved time signal register two different training pigeons twice e.g. at 09h00 and 10h00 on the clock to determine the variation. If the variation is correct the clock may be accepted. If there is a difference in the variation the clock may not be accepted.

5.10 If a competitor's clock is not available, for whatever reason, to record the arrival of pigeons from a race, or if the data contained in the clock, becomes defective, erased or corrupted between basketing and before the completion of the printing of the arrival list for a race, the competitor shall be disqualified from that specific race.

5.11 If a competitor intentionally corrupts or destroys the electronic data of another competitor, the guilty competitor shall be dealt with according to the disciplinary rules of SANPO.

5.12 After closing a race the Race Secretary or a clock committee member shall print an arrival list for every race of every competitor. Once all the arrival lists of a competitor have been successfully printed, the electronic data contained in the clock of the competitor may be transferred to a computer for processing of the race results.

5.13 Should it not be possible, for whatever reason, to print an arrival list, the Race Secretary or designated official shall endeavor to display as much data as possible on the LCD display of the clock. Should sufficient data be displayed to positively identify arrived pigeons, their arrival date and time and the clock variation, a velocity may be calculated for such pigeons and they may, at the discretion of the organization's management committee, be accepted as part of the race result.

5.14 Arrival list printouts or the identification of pigeon data on the LCD display of a clock, must be produced within a reasonable time limit laid down by each organization. When available, the assistance of the formal representative in South Africa of the manufacturer of an ERS system may be called upon to assist to produce a printout, or to display pigeon and race data on the LCD display of a clock. The assistance of a sub-agent of the manufacturer of an ERS system may also be accepted.

5.15 In the case of more than one race on the same day, the clock variation, as printed on the arrival list for each individual race, shall be used for the calculation of race results for that race.

5.16 Immediately prior to the "strike out" process, the internal clock of the CAN shall

once again be synchronized with the official time signal used by the organization. The only exception is where the CAN is fitted with a LCD display such as the Benzing Club Unit and is used as the official master timer of the organization.

5.17 The seal(s) on the clock, as well as the electronic ring of winning pigeons must be inspected for tampering during verification of the winning pigeon after a race.

5.18 During verification of a winning pigeon after a race, the Race Secretary or designated official may request the owner of a winning pigeon to set his clock and record the electronic ring details of the winning pigeon when such a pigeon passes over the loft antenna. The details as recorded by the clock may be compared with the details on the latest copy of the Race Secretary's list of registered pigeons for the competitor, in order to verify that the details as the same.

5.19 The current ERS systems that are approved by SANPO for use by the affiliated organizations and the software releases to be used with these systems are:

a) UNIKON Deister Electronic Gmb ll versions: 1,9,2,9, or later editions race sensors 2,0 or later editions.
b) TIPES Diehl ident Gmb ll version: 3,00 or later editions race sensor, ESA 400 or later editions.
c) TAURIS RUTER EPV –system Gmb ll Minden version; 5k or later editions race sensor; ES2 or later editions.
d) BENZING ATIS, EXPRESS and M1 systems with the latest SANPO approved software.
e) BRICON systems with latest SANPO approved software.
f) The VICTORY system.
g) MEGA Systems with latest SANPO approved software.

# APPENDIX G - NAT. CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW RULES

1. The Championship show will be held the first weekend in May if possible, in Bloemfontein every year. All regional shows must be held before the championship show. No racing pigeon show where SANPO Judges are used must take place the same day as the championship show.

2. Two pigeons per class may be entered in the championship show, but the same pigeon may not be entered in more than one class. The same rules and classes apply for championship and regional shows, except the two entries per class only apply for the championship show.

3. Entries will close one (1) week prior to the show. Late entries will be handled on merit.

4. The entry fees will be decided by the show committee every year. Cheques to be made payable to SANPO.

5. Entries are not subject to cancellation and there will be no refunds of entry fees in case of a non- exhibition

6. Pigeons must be penned not later than 22:00 on the Friday before the show. Judging will commence on the Saturday as early as possible.

7. Each pigeon will be displayed in its own pen, will be fed and watered and be taken care of during the show.

8. Each pigeon must wear an intact seamless metal ring bearing a number, recognized as applicable to racing pigeons. "Show homers will not be allowed.

9. No exhibitor's name or any other form of identification may appear on the show pen.

10. All types of marker rings must be removed, except electronic rings.

11. Identification rings will be covered by the committee before pigeons are penned.

12. Judge classes but will appoint the champions of the show.

13. The judges will rotate in order not to use the same judges every year on the championship show. At regional show 50% junior judges and 50% SANPO judges can be used.

14. While judging is in progress no exhibitors or visitors will be allowed in the hall between the pigeons.

15. No alcohol will be permitted while judging. No judge will judge his own pigeons, likewise will no steward be involved in classes where his own pigeons are entered.

16. The chief judge and judges on duty will before judging commence check all the pigeons to determine whether the pigeons are in the correct classes. No pigeon will be disqualified because it is in the wrong class according to its colour. If the pigeon is found to be in a wrong class, a note will be made for the judge judging the class this pigeon should be in to be judged in the correct class. In the case of a pigeon to be doubtful as to his colour, the pigeon will remain in the class were it is entered and will be judged. In case of there already being two pigeons of the same exhibitor in the particular class and in the event of all three his pigeons be placed in the top six, only the two with the best positions will count for points.

17. The judges' decisions will be final in all cases.

18. No pigeon may be removed without permission from the head floor official.

19. The following shall not be allowed;

a) The borrowing, lending or hiring of any pigeons for exhibition.

b) The trimming, removal or insertion of feathers, or the staining of any part of the exhibit.

c) Endeavoring to influence a judges' decision directly, during or before the show.

d) Judges are not allowed to enter pigeons for the show.

20 Only winning pigeons may be entered into the WINNER CLASSES. In Case of incorrect detail by the exhibitor the pigeon will be disqualified and Disciplinary action can be instituted against the exhibitor.

21 Any pigeon with a prominent white patch of more than 6mm will be classified as PIED. Pigeons with more than 50% white will be classified as GAY PIED and will be entered in; any other colour. Pigeons with a third bar will be classified as Blue Bar and will be entered in that class.

22 Escaped pigeons not already judged, will be excluded from the competition unless they are replaced prior to judging. Likewise any exhibits not penned at the time of judging, will be excluded. Entry fees in such cases will be forfeited.

23 All disputes must be referred to the show organizer.

24 The committee is not responsible for any losses or damages, whatever they may be.

25 Anything not contained in these rules, shall be decided by the committee whose decision in all cases will be final and subject to no appeal to any court of law. The committee also reserves the right to any interpretation in respect of any imperfectly worded rule or regulation.

26 If the show does not take place due to unforeseen circumstances, all money will be refunded.

27 The first six (6) positions in each class will be awarded points.

# STOCK CLASSES – STOETKLASSE

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Cock |
| 2. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Hen |
| 3. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pieds | Cock |
| 4. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pieds | Hen |
| 5. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Cock |
| 6. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Hen |
| 7. | Any other colour than 1, 3, 5. | Cock |
| 8. | Any other colour than 2, 4, 6. | Hen |

**CHAMPION COCK** **Classes 1, 3, 5, 7.**
**CHAMPION HEN** **Classes 2, 4, 6. 8.**

# OPE KLASSE/OPEN CLASSES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 9. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Cock |
| 10. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Hen |
| 11. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pied | Cock |
| 12. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pied | Hen |
| 13. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Cock |
| 14. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Hen |
| 15. | Any other colour than 9, 11, 13 | Cock |
| 16. | Any other colour than 10, 12, 14 | Hen |

**CHAMPION COCK** **Classes 9, 11, 13, 15**
**CHAMPION HEN** **Classes 10, 12, 14, 16**

# VLIEG KLASSE/FLOWN CLASSES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 17. | Flown 500km and less, any colour | Cock |
| 18. | Flown 500km and less, any colour | Hen |
| 19. | Flown more than 500km, any colour | Cock |
| 20. | Flown more than 500km, any colour | Hen |

# WENNERKLASSE/WINNER CLASSES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 21. | Winner 500km and less, any colour | Cock |
| 22. | Winner 500km and less, any colour | Hen |
| 23. | Winner more than 500km, any colour | Cock |
| 24. | Winner more than 500km, any colour | Hen |

**CHAMPION COCK – FLOWN AND WINNER CLASSES** **Classes 17, 19, 21, 23**

**CHAMPION HEN – FLOWN AND WINNER CLASSES** **Classes 18, 20, 22, 24**

## JAAROUDKLASSE/YEARLING CLASSES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 25. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Cock |
| 26. | Blue bar and relative pieds | Hen |
| 27. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pieds | Cock |
| 28. | Blue check, Dark check and relative pieds | Hen |
| 29. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Cock |
| 30. | Mealy, Red check and relative pieds | Hen |
| 31. | Any other colour than classes 25, 27, 29 | Cock |
| 32. | Any other colour than classes 26, 28, 30 | Hen |

**CHAMPION YEARLING COCK** **Classes 25, 27, 29, 31**
**CHAMPION YEARLING HEN** **Classes 26, 28, 30, 32**

## OVERALL

**SUPREME CHAMPIOEN COCK ON SHOW**

**SUPREME CHAMPION HEN ON SHOW**

**OVERALL SHOW CHAMPION**

**MOST POINTS ON SHOW**

## APPENDIX H

# SANPO

### MEMBERSHIP FEES AND MEMBERSHIP SUBMISSION RECONCILIATION

**PROVINCE:**
**ORGANISATION:**
**FINANCIAL YEAR SUBMITTED:**

### RECONCILIATION

**Total members (as per excel sheet):** ..... **members (including juniors)**
**Minus partnership/secondary teams:** ..... **(attach list)**
**Minus SANPO honorary members:** ..... **(attach names)**
**REVISED TOTAL** .....

**MINUS R30 per Junior (attached names).....**

**REVISED TOTAL * ANNUAL FEES** **R.....**

**Organisation treasury:** ----------

**Organisation secretary:** ----------

**Provincial treasury:** ----------

**Provincial secretary:** ----------

**SANPO treasury:** ----------